

Main Roads in-house delivery of road maintenance and some minor capital works

What's happening?

On 1 April 2022, the [McGowan Government](#) announced the creation of 660 jobs within Main Roads to support the move to in-house delivery of road maintenance and some minor capital works. This includes:

- 490 new regional staff and 170 metropolitan staff
- Upgrades to Main Roads' existing maintenance depots, four new offices and the acquisition of up to 29 houses across the Wheatbelt, Goldfields Esperance, Pilbara and Kimberley regions; and
- The establishment of new supply chains and provision of additional plant and equipment.

What changes are being made to the current delivery model?

- Routine road maintenance crews who are currently run directly by the Network Contractors will be converted to Main Roads day labour (using Main Roads employees).
- Incident Response Services (IRS) will be converted to Main Roads day labour.
- Other contract labour associated with the management and maintenance of Minor Capital Work will be transitioned, in a staged approach, and operate with Main Roads employees.
- Some Minor Capital Work will be delivered using Main Roads resources, with the remainder delivered by contractors (and Local Government where possible).

When will the changes take place?

The transition will take effect as each of the existing contracts expire (see table). The Wheatbelt and Mid West-Gascoyne Regions successfully transitioned to Main Roads on 25 October and 8 November 2022.

Main Roads **does not** intend to end any of the existing contracts early.

Contract	Expiry date
Goldfields Esperance (RNC)	1 October 2023
Metropolitan (MNC)	12 October 2023
Pilbara (RNC)	31 October 2023
South West (SNC)	31 January 2024
Great Southern (SNC)	31 January 2024
IRS	12 February 2024
Kimberley (RNC)	31 January 2026

What does this mean for local contractors and subcontractors?

The transition to an in-house delivery model will create more opportunities for local contractors and suppliers to undertake work for Main Roads directly however, the level of work will be similar to the amount current available, and is dependent on funding levels. A number of contracts will be tendered, both statewide and regionally, as the transition progresses (see over).

How do I apply for a Tender?

All tenders for formal contracts will be listed on [Tenders WA](#) (www.tenders.wa.gov.au). Main Roads also posts "Early Tender Advices" (ETA) on this site to advise industry of future tenders and estimated advertising dates.

Contractors need to register for access, after which tender documents can be downloaded and tender submissions uploaded. Contractors can also set up email alerts for relevant tenders or ETA.

Some formal contracts will be re-tendered periodically for the associated service. Where this is required, Main Roads will work with the appointed contractors during the contract period.

What services are Main Roads looking for?

Service	Location	Contract Type
Traffic Management Services	Statewide	Panel Contract – awarded
Supply of maintenance trucks and associated baseload construction plant/trailers	Statewide	Bespoke Leasing Panel Contract – awarded
Additional plant for construction work	Regional	Regional Panel Contract or Purchase Order for small requirements
Pavement repairs and stabilisation work	Statewide	Panel Contract – awarded
Signage	Statewide	Panel Supply Contract – awarded
Road Safety Barriers (supply and/or installation)	Statewide	Panel Contract – awarded
Supply of Guideposts, Culverts, Road Building Materials etc	Regional	Purchase Order or minor supply contracts as required
Asphalt maintenance work and cold mix supply	Statewide	Panel Contract – awarded
Resealing and micro-surfacing	Statewide	Statewide Resealing Panel Contract
Road Marking	Statewide	Statewide Road Marking Panel Contract
Maintenance grading of unsealed roads, road edge-breaks, grid repairs, blackwater removal, construction water etc	Regional	Purchase order or minor contracts as required
Capital Road and Bridge Projects	Statewide or Project Specific	Statewide Road Construction Panel Contract or individually tendered for major project work
Structural/bridge maintenance and related minor capital projects	Statewide	Statewide Structures Panel Contract
Slashing and mowing	Regional	Regional Contract (may include a Panel arrangement)
Lateral and overhead vegetation clearing	Regional	Regional Contract (may include a Panel arrangement)
Herbicide Treatment	Regional	Regional Contract (may include a Panel arrangement)

I'm a subcontractor, how can I register?

To register your interest to supply goods and services directly to Main Roads, please complete the Supplier Creation Form and email it to the address on the form. Then, please contact your local Main Roads office to introduce your business.

For over the counter purchases up to \$20,000 (including GST) Main Roads uses credit card. A Supplier Creation Form is not required for credit card payments.

For purchases greater than \$20,000, or purchases up to this value where credit cards are not accepted, Main Roads uses Purchase Orders.

Are there any pre-requisites?

Some opportunities will require you to meet prequalification and/or other mandatory requirements (such as Safety Registration for Traffic Management). Pre-requisites are outlined in the Tender documents.

Where can I get more information?

- Visit www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/road-maintenance-contracts
- Call 138 138