

High Street Upgrade Construction Update

Construction works progressing well on Stirling Highway and High Street

The High Street Upgrade is well underway, with clearing and earthworks on Stirling Highway and High Street making good progress.

Works underway

Works to realign Stirling Highway southbound are nearing completion. Temporarily re-aligning southbound traffic to the east will enable the construction of the new Forrest Street underpass to commence.

Earthworks and clearing in the southern verge of High Street adjacent to the Fremantle Public Golf Course and Royal Fremantle Golf Club is progressing in stages.

Service locating is continuing to prepare for the relocation of utility assets including Western Power, Water Corporation and communications assets in the coming months.



Temporary Stirling Highway realignment earthworks

After-hours work

While most works will be completed during daytime hours, some after-hours works will be required during the project, particularly where lane closures on High Street and Stirling Highway are required for our crews to work safely and minimise daytime traffic impacts.

Night works methodologies in the past fortnight have been reviewed and where possible the following measures will be implemented:

- Commencing night shifts earlier and completing higher impact works earlier in the evening
- Adjusting machinery and vehicle croakers where it is safe to do so
- Ongoing noise and vibration level monitoring
- Proactively modifying activities to minimise noise and vibration as much as possible.

Upcoming works

Stirling Highway realignment

After the Easter long weekend the final stages of constructing the temporary lanes, including asphalt will be completed. Traffic will be switched onto the temporary alignment overnight towards the end of next week. Further information regarding traffic changes is overleaf.

Forrest Street underpass

Once traffic is switched to the temporary Stirling Highway southbound lanes, construction of the first third of the Forrest Street underpass will commence.

This will involve sheet piling in the centre of the underpass, then excavating to the west towards Wood Street.

Pedestrian detours are already in place to divert pedestrians and cyclists via Marmion Street while the underpass is under construction.

Wood Street north clearing

Clearing works in the verge between Stirling Highway and Wood Street (North) from Forrest Street to High Street will commence after Easter. This will enable underpass ramps and retaining walls works to commence. Noise wall footing work will also commence in May, while noise wall concrete design and procurement continues.

Traffic management will be in place on Wood Street during clearing and the street will be narrowed in areas immediately adjacent to clearing activities.

South of the Stirling Highway and High Street intersection

Earthworks and clearing is expected to commence later in April as we prepare to commence construction of the southern portion of the Stirling Highway and High Street roundabout.

High Street southern verge

Earthworks will continue in the southern verge adjacent to the golf courses to construct the new westbound High Street lanes.

High Street east

Clearing in the southern verge of High Street between the Royal Fremantle Golf Club and Carrington Street is scheduled to commence after Easter. In areas where trees overhang the road, some after-hours clearing will be required.

Roadworks to remove medians along High Street between Carrington Street and Frank Gibson Park will also commence after Easter so traffic can be shifted north, and lane widths reduced to enable construction of the new westbound carriageway.

Traffic changes

Stirling Highway

When the temporary re-alignment of Stirling Highway southbound is complete, traffic will be switched to this temporary deviation after Easter to enable construction of the Forrest Street underpass.

High Street

To construct the new westbound carriageway, High Street lanes near Carrington Street will be re-aligned and reduced in width. From late March, traffic will no longer be permitted to turn right into or from High Street at Wilkinson Street, Chudleigh Street and Onslow Street.

Details regarding the traffic switch will be provided via <https://project.mainroads.wa.gov/home/> and emailed to those subscribed to the project.

Please refer to the enclosed map for further information.

Managing construction impacts

During construction, equipment and vehicle movements may create some noise, vegetation and dust. To minimise disturbance as much as possible, ongoing monitoring and testing will be undertaken and where necessary, proactive controls will be implemented including modification of construction activities. Water trucks will regularly water down the project area, and apply dust suppressant materials where required. Noise and vibration levels will also continue to be monitored.

Further information

If you have any questions or concerns, please email enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au or call 138 138. For more information, see <https://project.mainroads.wa.gov/home/>

Map 1: Traffic changes and works zones

