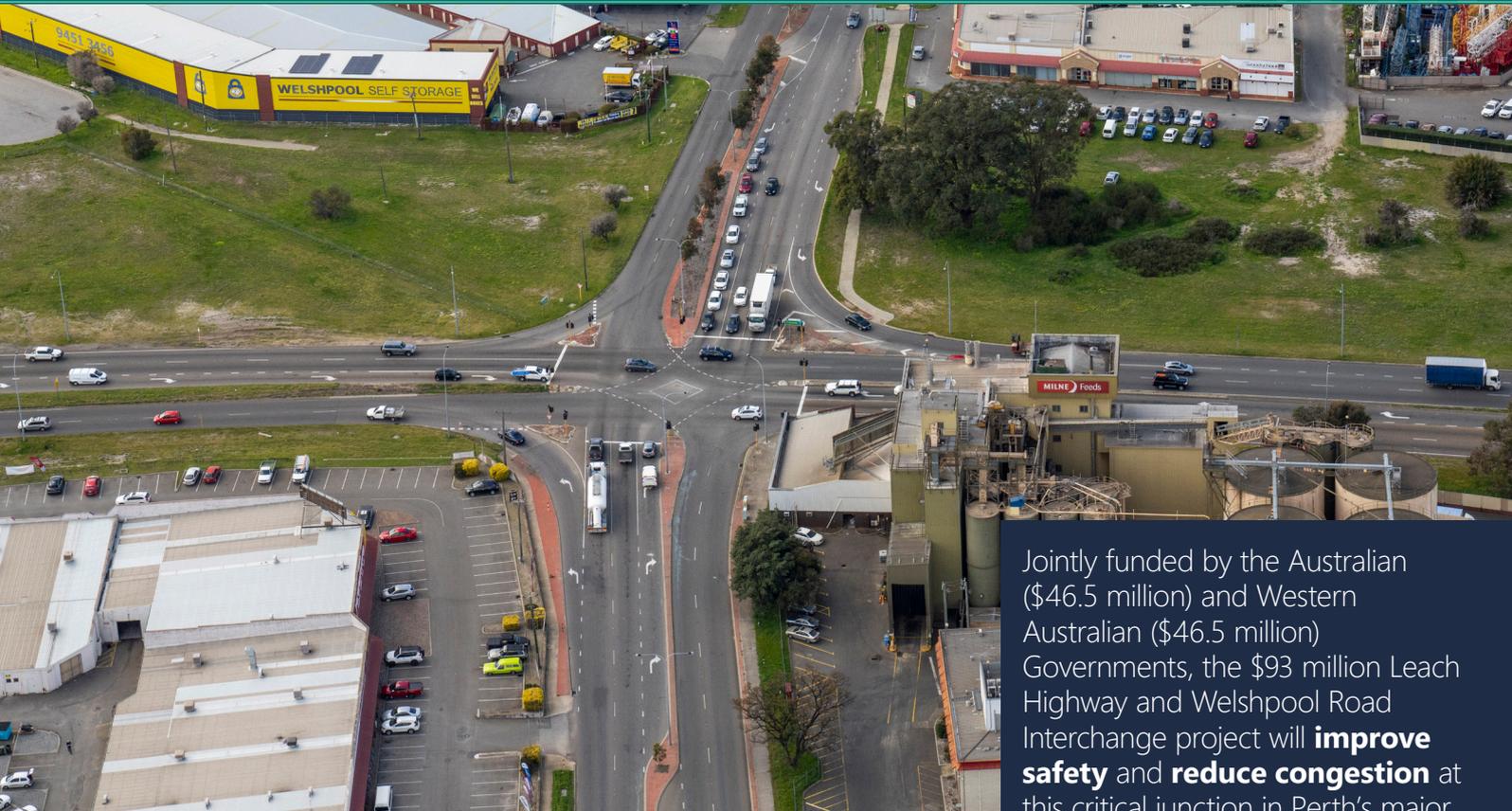


Leach Highway and Welshpool Road Interchange Project



Jointly funded by the Australian (\$46.5 million) and Western Australian (\$46.5 million) Governments, the \$93 million Leach Highway and Welshpool Road Interchange project will **improve safety** and **reduce congestion** at this critical junction in Perth's major transport network.

About the project

We are planning construction of the Leach Highway and Welshpool Road interchange to significantly improve vehicle, cyclist and pedestrian safety at this critical junction in Perth's transport network.

The project will include building a bridge taking Leach Highway over Welshpool Road to create a grade-separated interchange and duplicate the existing Leach Highway bridge over the railway line to the south of the intersection. The interchange will reduce congestion and deliver more consistent and reduced journey times.

Key features

- Construction of a new road bridge carrying Leach Highway over Welshpool Road
- A shared path along Leach Highway from Sevenoaks Street to Orrong Road
- Construction of a new road bridge to the east side of the existing Leach Highway Bridge over the Armadale line

Why is the project needed?

The intersection of Leach Highway and Welshpool Road is one of Perth's most congested intersections with at least 50,000 vehicles travelling through the intersection each weekday. It also ranks as the city's most dangerous intersection,

with 224 crashes recorded between 2015 and 2019, of which 204 were rear-end collisions. Overall, the intersection of Leach Highway and Welshpool Road is currently the worst intersection in Western Australia for crashes and is ranked Perth's second most congested intersection.

Leach Highway is part of Perth's Principal Road Freight Network serving key commercial activity centres such as Perth Airport and the Kewdale Freight Terminal. Welshpool Road is a major east-west arterial route that runs through the Welshpool industrial area, and is adjacent to the Kewdale Freight Terminal.

The project will support the east-west freight link connecting Fremantle with the Kewdale and Welshpool industrial area.

The project will also provide access to many industries and businesses, as well as connecting the residential suburbs of East Cannington and Queens Park with Victoria Park via Albany Highway.

Construction under an alliance

An Alliance of local WA companies has been announced as the preferred proponent to deliver the much need upgrades. The alliance consists of local companies Georgiou Group Pty Ltd, BG&E Pty Ltd and Golder Associates Pty Ltd.

Timing

We expect to award a contract by late 2020 with construction expected to begin in early 2021. The project will be completed late 2022.

Community engagement

We are inviting you to provide feedback regarding the Leach Highway Welshpool Road interchange to enable us to identify our stakeholders' key views, concerns and ideas about the project.

Your comments can be provided by:

- Completing an online survey at www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au.
- Email to enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au
- Post to Main Roads WA, PO Box 6202 EAST PERTH WA 6892
- Phone 138 138

Your feedback is important and will be used to plan and deliver the project over the coming months.



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