



Mitchell Freeway Extension Hester Avenue to Romeo Road



Jointly funded by the Australian (\$107.5 million) and Western Australian (\$107.5 million) governments. The freeway extension will **improve safety and efficiency**, alleviate pressure on the local road network and **reduce travel times**.

About the project

We are planning for the future extension of Mitchell Freeway north from Hester Avenue in Clarkson to Romeo Road in Alkimos – adding to Perth's high standard north-south transport link. A reservation for the freeway extension north has been included in the Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) for a number of years.

The freeway extension will service the rapidly growing outer north western suburbs of Butler, Yanchep, Alkimos and Eglinton, as well as areas to the east including Nowergup.

Key features

Features of the project currently include:

- A 5.6 km extension of Mitchell Freeway from Hester Avenue to Romeo Road with two traffic lanes in each direction and provision for future widening
- Completion of the Mitchell Freeway interchange at Hester Avenue
- A new freeway interchange at Lukin Drive

- A rail tunnel or road bridge for the existing rail line to exit the freeway median to Butler station
- A new Principal Shared Path (PSP) for cyclists and pedestrians on the western side of the freeway from Hester Avenue to Romeo Road
- Constructing and connecting Romeo Road between Marmion Avenue and Wanneroo Road
- Noise mitigation, street lighting and safety barriers, where required, and
- Duplication of Wanneroo Road for 1.8 km from Romeo Road to Triana Road.

Why is the project needed?

The Mitchell Freeway extension is part of a suite of transport infrastructure improvements designed to support the expansion of Perth's fast growing outer northern suburbs. The freeway extension will alleviate pressure on the local road network, reduce travel times and improve safety and connectivity for people living and working in the region now and into the future.

Community consultation

We are inviting you to provide feedback regarding the Mitchell Freeway Extension from Hester Avenue to Romeo Road to enable us to identify our stakeholders' key views, concerns and ideas about the project.

We invite you to provide your comments by 27 September 2019. You are able to provide feedback in a number of ways:

- Complete an online survey at www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au
- Via email to enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au
- Post to PO Box 6202
EAST PERTH WA 6892
- Phone 138 138

Your feedback is important and will be used to refine a concept design for the project over the coming months.

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How will traffic noise from the freeway be managed for adjacent residential areas?

Noise modelling will be undertaken in late 2019 to look at the implications of the freeway extension's road traffic noise on adjacent residential properties. The noise modelling will consider projected future traffic volumes for the freeway extension, locations and types of noise mitigation.

Final design for the project's noise mitigation will occur in 2020. We will ensure adjacent landowners are made aware of this information as the project develops.

How will the environment be managed?

Minimising the impact on the natural environment from roads and road use is a key focus for Main Roads and responsible environmental stewardship when developing and maintaining the road network is critical to our success.

Recognising the environmental values along the proposed route, Main Roads referred the project to the Federal Department of the Environment and Energy (DotEE) for assessment under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act in December 2018. That assessment considered a project development boundary within which Main Roads proposes to construct the freeway and associated works.

In April 2019, DotEE identified Mitchell Freeway Extension as a controlled action that requires assessment and approval before proceeding. This expected assessment level and the associated approval process will take approximately 12-18 months to finalise.

What pedestrian and cyclist facilities are being considered?

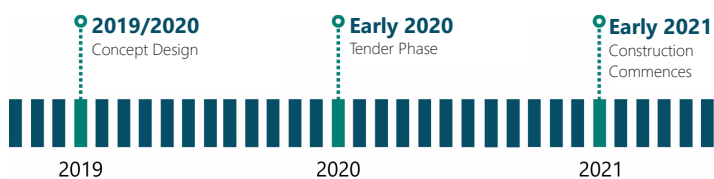
A Principal Shared Path (PSP) is proposed along the western side of the freeway reserve from Hester Avenue to Romeo Road with strategic connections to the local path network to be provided at yet to be identified locations. The proposed PSP will connect to the existing PSP network provided along the west side of the freeway corridor.

Opportunities to provide strategic connections to the existing Heritage Trail within Nowergup National Park (freeway and Hester Avenue) and to Nowergup Lake Hike Trail will be investigated in collaboration with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), where possible. Consideration will also be given to on-road cycling facilities, where appropriate, for Wanneroo Road, Romeo Road and other road connections as part of the project.

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Timeline



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