

## FIRST CONTRACT AWARD BEGINS NEW ERA FOR NORTHLINK WA

The vision for NorthLink WA has moved one step closer with the first contract awarded to John Holland to design and construct the Southern Section: Guildford Road to Reid Highway.

The award marks the finalisation of 18 months of development work influenced by input from more than 1000 community and stakeholder representatives.

“We want to sincerely thank all of those who have helped to shape and define NorthLink WA by taking part in reference groups, working parties and information sessions,” Main Roads Senior Project Director NorthLink WA, Rob Arnott said.

“These individuals generously gave up their time to share their local and expert knowledge, which has helped to shape NorthLink WA and ensure that the project will achieve its objectives.”

As a result of the development work, we are confident that NorthLink WA will:

- improve freight capacity, efficiency and productivity



Contract signing NorthLink WA Southern Section



Community engagement during development phase

- reduce urban congestion, now and into the future
- improve road safety, in line with the State's 'Towards Zero' strategy
- maximise sustainability through economic, social and environmental responsibility
- improve amenity for the community, tourists and road users
- create value through the provision of affordable infrastructure

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The combined value of NorthLink WA funded by both the Australian (\$894 million) and State (\$223 million) Governments.



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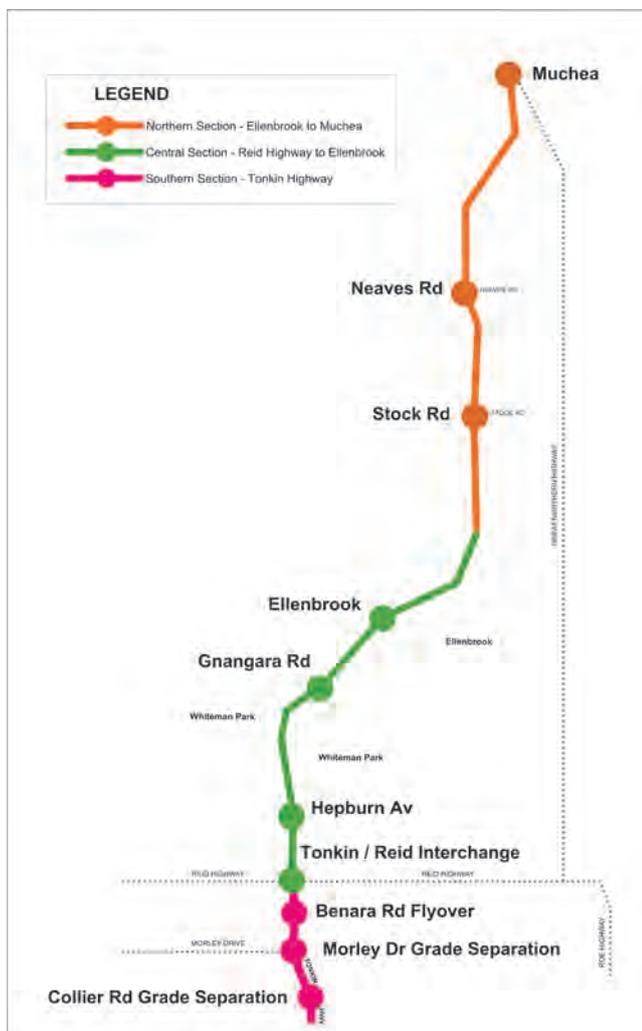
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## NorthLink WA will be constructed in three sections

Providing a vital, state-of-the-art transport link between Morley and Muchea, NorthLink WA will reduce travel times and congestion, increase safety and provide significant productivity benefits.

It will be constructed in three sections: Southern, Central and Northern, providing many benefits to communities, industry and other road users including:

- saving lives by eliminating four of the State's most dangerous intersections
- removing heavy vehicles from Great Northern Highway thereby improving amenity in the Swan Valley for residents and the 600,000 tourists who visit the area each year
- creating a non-stop transport route from Morley to Muchea, reducing travel time
- connecting communities with safe, separate pedestrian and cycle paths from Morley to Ellenbrook
- providing access to new employment areas and supporting the creation of new jobs around Bullsbrook and Muchea
- removing traffic from local roads to create safer communities



## Southern Section

This section includes a freeway-standard, free-flowing link along Tonkin Highway, through to Reid Highway. The upgrade will improve amenity for local communities by reducing congestion on local roads.

A key safety outcome will be the removal of some of the State's most dangerous intersections.

Two of these are located in the Southern Section – Tonkin Highway/ Collier Road and Tonkin Highway/ Morley Drive.

In addition, there will be new cycling and pedestrian facilities, including a 4m wide shared path alongside Tonkin Highway.

**Collier Road** will be realigned and raised to go over Tonkin Highway, with on and off ramps connecting the two roads. This interchange will be similar to the ones recently completed on Gateway WA where Tonkin Highway connect to Horrie Miller Drive, and Leach Highway intersects with Abernethy Road.



**Morley Drive** - there will be a roundabout at ground level, which will connect with a raised Tonkin Highway bridged over the roundabout. This is the first interchange of this type to be built in Western Australia and offers significant safety benefits.



A flyover will raise **Benara Road** over Tonkin Highway.



## Central Section

Award of the Southern Section contract was followed by the announcement of three proponents shortlisted to prepare detailed proposals for the Central Section: Reid Highway to Ellenbrook.

- Great Northern Connect (A joint venture comprising BGC Contracting Pty Ltd and Laing O'Rourke Australia Construction Pty Ltd)
- CPB Contractors Pty Limited (formerly Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd)
- LLGJV (A joint venture comprising Lend Lease Engineering and Georgiou Group Pty Ltd).

The successful proponent is expected to be announced mid-2016.

The Central Section will extend the free flowing link north of Reid Highway and improve access to Ellenbrook and surrounding suburbs.

The new works in this section are expected to improve safety at two of the State's most dangerous intersections – Tonkin Highway/Reid Highway and Beechboro Road/Gnangara Road.

Key construction works include:

- a free-flow interchange at the Reid Highway and Tonkin Highway intersection
- flyovers at Marshall Road and Beechboro Road
- interchanges at Hepburn Avenue, Gnangara Road and The Promenade (servicing Ellenbrook)
- new cycling and pedestrian facilities, including a 4m wide shared path to Ellenbrook.

## Northern Section

The Northern Section involves extending the new link through to Muchea with new junctions at Stock Road, Neaves Road and Muchea.

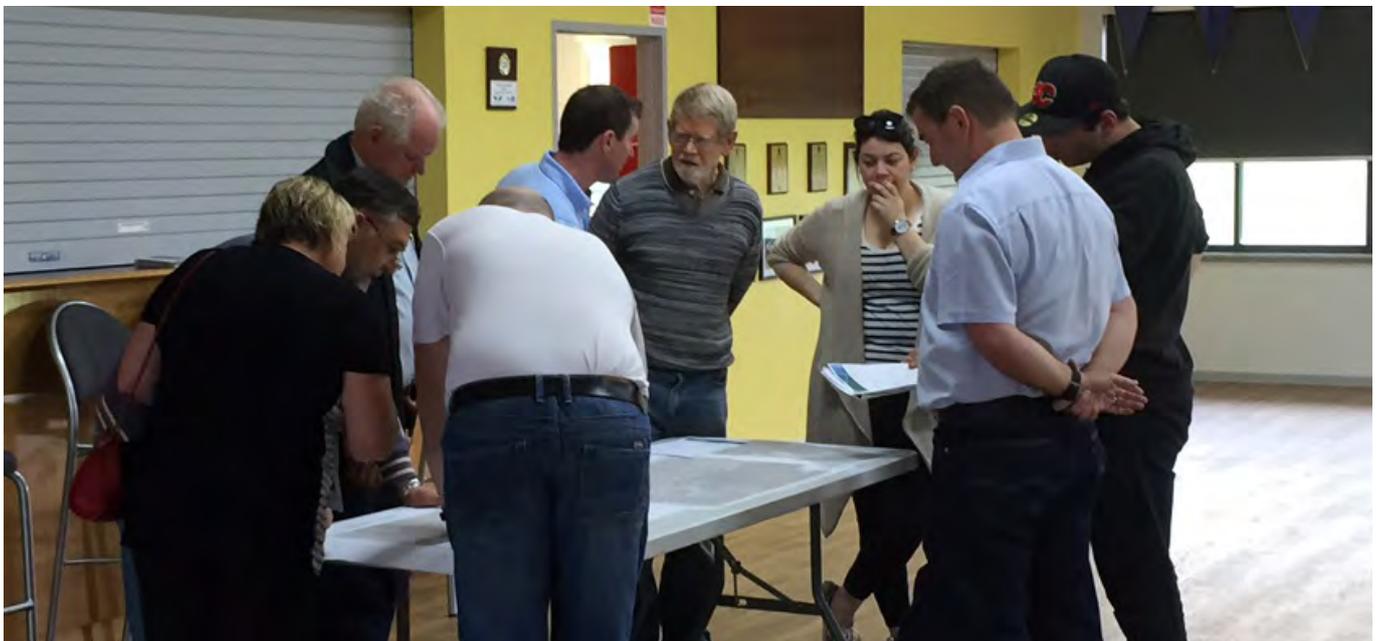
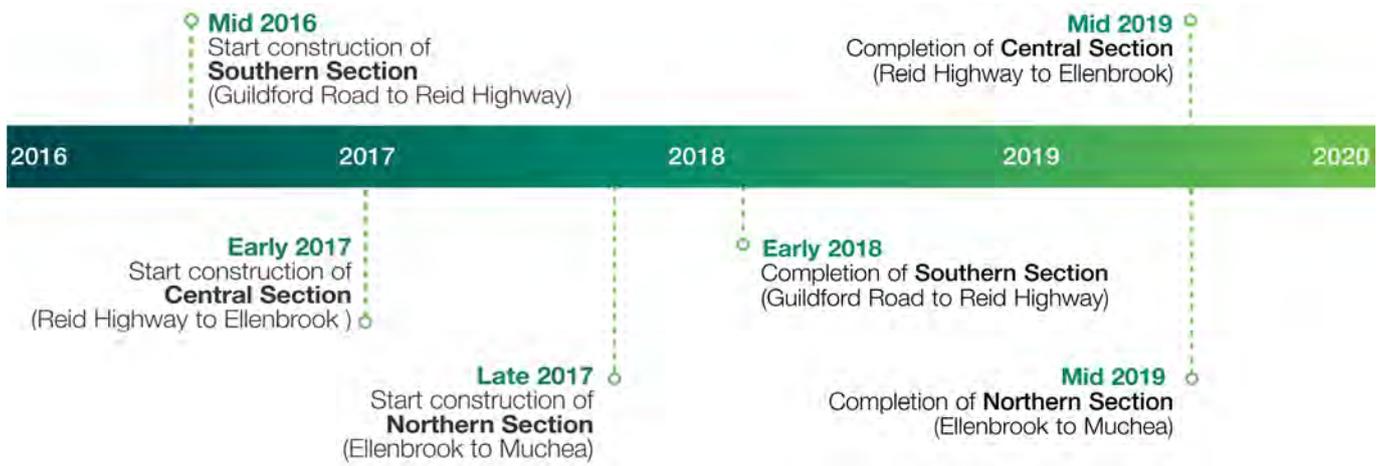
The long-term planning vision for the Northern Section has been finalised. Funding at this stage is confirmed for a single carriageway north of Ellenbrook. We will keep you informed of the progress via the project website and future newsletters.

The Central and Northern Sections are expected to be complete by mid-2019.

The **NorthLink WA** team has worked closely with Hampton Park Primary School and the City of Bayswater to **create safe access for students, teachers and parents**. A new parking facility was constructed within the school grounds during the 2015/16 summer school holidays. Further on-street parking will be constructed over the coming months.



**NorthLink WA** is one of a number of projects taking place in Perth's north east. Other projects include the Reid Highway/Malaga Drive project, and the Muchea to Wubin upgrade of the Great Northern Highway.



## Want to get involved in the Southern Section construction phase?

A Construction Reference Group is being established for the construction phase of the Southern Section of NorthLink WA. Community members who have an interest in the project are invited to nominate.

For more information call 138 138 or email [info@northlinkwa.com.au](mailto:info@northlinkwa.com.au).

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