

# Bindoon Bypass Great Northern Highway



The \$275 million Bindoon Bypass project is jointly funded by the Australian Government (\$220 million) and State Government (\$55 million), to improve road safety and freight efficiency.

## Works complete on first 7km section

A major milestone has been reached for the Bindoon Bypass with works complete on the first 7km section of new highway north of Calingiri Road to Seven Mile Hill.

The works included site establishment, clearing and topsoil stripping, road construction, fencing, drainage and culvert construction.

All works are now completed with the exception of some general tidy up.

The speed limit for the new section of highway is 110km/h, with traffic management around the work areas as required.

Garli, an Aboriginal owned and operated business, completed the works in conjunction with Main Roads' Region Network Contract contractor, Service Stream.

Hon Minister for Transport, Rita Saffioti, visited site during construction where she met with Garli workers over morning tea to hear about their career journeys and backgrounds, and enjoyed a site tour.



*Transport Minister's site visit during construction*



*Transport Minister meeting the Garli team during construction*

A major focus has been Aboriginal engagement with the project achieving:

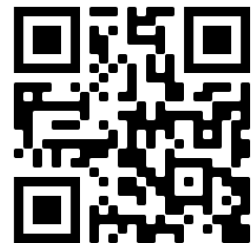
- 53% Aboriginal employment
- Over 90% expenditure by Aboriginal businesses
- 11 Aboriginal businesses procured

Training and employment have also been a strong focus with:

- 170 people employed
- 16 new starters to the construction industry
- 27 female employees
- 132 Nationally Accredited Plant Operator Tickets obtained
- 4 First Aid Certificates
- 15 Basic Traffic / Traffic Controller Tickets

The Shires of Chittering and Victoria Plains have benefited from the project, with over \$1.5 million spent on local business procurement.

View the completed 7km section of the project in the air via the QR code.



*Some of the Garli work crew*

Key activities			
Planning and development	Environmental approvals	Completed works	Planned works
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•The route selection and planning works are now complete.</li> <li>•Land acquisition is underway across the entire length of the project.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Approval for the 18km Northern Section is complete.</li> <li>•Approval for the 48km Southern Section is expected in 2022.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Construction of a 7km section of the Northern Section is complete.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Procurement to complete the remaining 11km of the Northern Section commenced in mid-2022.</li> <li>•Procurement to develop, design and construct the 46km Southern Section will commence in 2023.</li> </ul>

### About the project

The Bindoon Bypass will deliver a new 64km section of Great Northern Highway constructed from Chittering Roadhouse to New Norcia, bypassing the town of Bindoon.

Currently, triple road trains (53.5 metre trucks) travelling from northern regions on Great Northern Highway can only travel to Wubin.

They are required to stop and reconfigure to shorter vehicle combinations resulting in extra truck trips to bring the extra trailer south to Perth.

The delivery of the Bindoon Bypass will address this issue by enabling access by triple road trains to travel the entire length of the corridor down to Muchea, where the highway links to the recently completed NorthLink WA project.

The project will increase freight productivity and efficiency, create shorter travel times, and improve safety by reducing the number of heavy vehicles passing through the Bindoon town centre.

### Next steps

There is another 11km remaining of the Northern Section to complete, and the 46km Southern Section.

Procurement to construct the 11km section will commence in mid-2022.

Procurement to develop, design and construct the 46km Southern Section will commence in 2023.

*See a map overleaf.*

### Community engagement

Community and stakeholders have been involved in the development of the route.

Land requirements have been finalised. The project continues to work with all affected landowners to understand the impacts to individual properties and options to mitigate the impacts of the land acquisition where practicable.

### Further information

Keep up to date with progress on this project by visiting the Main Roads website at:

<https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/bindoon-bypass>

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