

# Fact Sheet

## Raymond Road North Facing Ramps

The Bunbury Outer Ring Road (BORR) is a 27 kilometre section of highway that will connect Forrest Highway directly to Bussell Highway. It will create a new road network for the long term – building for a growing economy and the future development of the Greater Bunbury area. Main Roads has completed the planning concept for the Northern & Central Sections of BORR.

There has been significant consultation with local councils, industry and the community over the past 12 months as part of the planning and project development of BORR.

Main Roads' original concept for the proposed Raymond Road / BORR interchange was for a partial interchange with south facing ramps only. In response to community feedback, north facing ramps have now been included so that the interchange caters for all movements (see Figure 1). To view a fly-through animation of the northern and central section planning concepts, including the Raymond Road interchange, visit the [About the Project](#) page on the Main Roads website.



Figure 1 Proposed Raymond Road/BORR Interchange looking south.

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One of the key objectives of BORR is to separate freight from local traffic. At present, traffic travelling along Raymond Road includes a high proportion of heavy vehicles.

Members of the Meadow Landing community raised concerns at community reference groups regarding the omission of north facing ramps from the interchange, and the resulting continued impact of heavy vehicles using Raymond Road west of BORR. The same issue was raised by the Shire of Harvey, with the City of Bunbury also supporting the addition of north facing ramps to provide a further option for motorists from the north to access Bunbury.

With completion of the Ultimate Planning for Northern and Central BORR, the addition of north facing ramps at the Raymond Road / BORR interchange will allow traffic travelling along Raymond Road, to and from Forrest Highway, to take the new routes shown in Figure 2.

North facing ramps at Raymond Road will provide:

- Emergency vehicles with direct access to the northbound carriageway of BORR in the case of an incident between Raymond Road and Paris Road.
- Further access options for Bunbury.
- Improved outcomes for local residents (including at Meadow Landing and Kingston) through diverted freight / regional traffic.
- Improved regional connectivity from Collie and surrounding catchments to BORR (Forrest Highway).

Strategic traffic modelling indicates that adding the north facing ramps at Raymond Road does not draw more local traffic from Australind and surrounds past Meadow Landing onto BORR, because the route along Forrest Highway to BORR is quicker.

### **Further Information**

For information on the Bunbury Outer Ring Road Project please visit the projects page on the Main Roads website at: <https://project.mainroads.wa.gov.au/home/borr/Pages/default.aspx>

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Figure 2 Route comparison with and without northern ramps at Raymond Road interchange with BORR.

