

Capital Road Project Works For 2016-17 By Region

Mid West - Gascoyne

\$31 million for construction of North West Coastal Highway, Minilya to Barradale. The jointly funded State and Commonwealth Governments project will widen and reconstruct various sections between Minilya and Barradale and construct two new bridges at Cave Creek and Goodeman Creek.

Goldfields-Esperance

\$26 million for construction of Great Eastern Highway – Passing Lanes. The jointly funded Royalties for Regions and Road Trauma Trust Fund project will widen and reconstruct various sections between Bulla Bulling and Coolgardie.

Great Southern

\$6.1 million for the construction of Albany Highway Passing Lanes. The jointly funded State and Commonwealth Governments project will construct nine passing lanes at eight sites on Albany Highway between Albany and Kojonup.

Kimberley

\$4.5 million for various improvement works on the Gibb River Road including gravel re-sheeting and drainage improvements.

Pilbara

Focus is on maintenance work with \$22.5 million allocated this year. \$55.3 million Onslow Road project starts in 2016-17.

South West

\$5.4 million for South Western Highway Realignment and Collie River Bridge replacement.

\$1.5 million for construction works on Bussell Highway to construct a 3.2 km long bypass of Vasse, Newtown.

\$2.2 million for the Margaret River Perimeter Road. Royalty for Region funded will remove heavy vehicles from the town centre and reduce congestion, enhance safety for pedestrians and local traffic.

Wheatbelt

\$93 million for Great Northern Highway Stage 2 - Muchea to Wubin upgrade for widening and reconstructing selected sections of the highway.

Metropolitan

The \$837 million NorthLink WA project on the Perth Darwin National Highway in the Swan Valley. This new infrastructure is a vital improvement to this transportation corridor which is intended to separate regional traffic, particularly heavy vehicles, from local traffic. \$193 million is allocated towards this project in 2016-17.

\$152 million NorthLink project on the Tonkin Highway grade separation. This is a vital improvement to this transport corridor intended to link to the Swan Valley Bypass Perth Darwin National Highway.

The \$1.901 billion Perth Freight Link project will provide a dedicated, high productivity, east-west freight connection. It will solve the 'missing link' in the Perth Urban Transport Corridor and facilitate linkages between Perth's strategic industrial areas and Fremantle Port. \$232 million is allocated towards this project in 2016-17.

\$95 million Mitchell Freeway Extension (Burns Beach Road to Hester Avenue) project to provide a more direct route for traffic in the far northern suburbs to take pressure off smaller local roads and facilitate residential and business development in the area.

**2016-17 BUDGET SPEECH NOTES
MAIN ROADS WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

15/16 - 2.238 Billion

Financial Update

The Government has budgeted \$2.43 billion for the Western Australia's road system in the 2016-17 Budget.

After allowing some \$374 million for depreciation and \$90 million for other financial costs, the actual sum funded through Main Roads to be spent on the State's roads will be \$1.966 billion.

Of the \$1.966 billion allocated to roads, \$1.245 billion will be spent on capital works with the remaining \$721 million for maintenance/minor works on the asset, payments to local government for works on local roads and works associated with operating the network.

\$172 million of State funds are budgeted to be spent in 2016-17 on local government roads, via the Local Government Agreement, increased from the budgeted \$150 million in 2015-16.

Overall funding for the maintenance and improvement of the road network in 2016-17 will continue to meet community demands for improved road transport services.

As part of the Government's commitment to road safety, \$32 million has been provided in 2016-17 for a Safer Roads and Bridges Program.

Furthermore, the Government is maintaining its commitment to improve road safety with the ongoing State Black Spot Program where \$22.5 million will be allocated in 2016-17.

Significant Project(s) Update

There are five significant metropolitan and one regional road projects with either significant expenditures or milestones scheduled during 2016-17. They are;

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The \$837 million NorthLink WA project – Swan Valley Bypass on the Perth Darwin National Highway in the Swan Valley will provide a new high standard highway from the existing Reid Highway/Tonkin Highway intersection in West Swan to Great Northern Highway and Brand Highway in Muchea. This will provide access to Ellenbrook, bypassing the township of Bullsbrook and provide economic benefits to the nation in terms of reduction in travel time, fuel consumption, congestion and crashes while improving other community benefits. The project is being jointly funded by the Commonwealth and State Governments and \$193 million is allocated towards this project in 2016-17 towards the Swan Valley Bypass section.

The \$49 million Ellenbrook Bus Rapid Transit project between Ellenbrook and Bassendean train station, will provide a segregated priority bus corridor from Ellenbrook to Marshall roads, including key stations and provision for feeder busses and park and ride. The project is being jointly funded by the Commonwealth and State Governments and \$4 million is allocated towards this project in 2016-17.

The \$281 million NorthLink WA project – Tonkin Grade Separation. Tonkin Highway is a vital link servicing regional traffic movements to commercial and industrial areas such as Malaga, Kewdale, Perth Airport and the Perth CBD. The project is being jointly funded by the Commonwealth and State Governments and \$152 million is allocated towards this project in 2016-17.