Great Northern Highway Upgrade
Maggie Creek to Wyndham

The Great Northern Highway upgrade project is almost complete with the remaining works scheduled for completion after the 2018/19 wet season.

Works to continue in 2019

Main Roads and its Contractor WBHO are on track to complete the majority of Great Northern Highway upgrade works (25 kilometres) by mid-December. A small section (three kilometres) through Maggie’s Jump Up (shown in red on the map below) will be completed following the 2018/19 wet season.

A northbound and southbound lane will be sealed through the full length (28 kilometres) of the upgrade to provide safe travel to and from Wyndham.

Overtaking lanes won’t be opened until after the wet season. Your safety is our priority.

What will be completed this year?

A total of 25 kilometres from Wyndham town to Maggie Creek bridge will be finished before Christmas including:

- Fully sealed road with a minimum of 11 metre wide pavement, including 2 metre sealed shoulders
- All drainage and erosion control
- Borrow pits (gravel pits) rehabilitation
- Roadside rehabilitation and clean-up
- Installation of linemarking, signage and delineators (white reflector posts).
What temporary arrangements will be in place over the wet season?

One lane in each direction will remain open to traffic at all times throughout the wet season. For safety reasons, speed restrictions will be in place through a three kilometre section of temporary road conditions at Maggie’s Jump Up.

The new overtaking lane will not be operational until completion of this final section.

Maggie’s Jump Up will be safe and operational until permanent works are complete. We ask that road users always take care and obey any temporary speed reductions in place.

Road safety inspectors will be checking the site regularly during the wet season.

Can we still access Maggie’s Lookout?

Access to Maggie’s Lookout will remain closed and will be upgraded and reinstated in 2019.

D4 Bridge – Weaber Plain Road

Kununurra’s ‘D4 bridge’ on Weaber Plain Road was completed in November, and is open for traffic. This will allow for safer transport of cattle, farm produce (and potentially prawns) through to export facilities at Wyndham Port. Removal of the old D4 bridge will take place in 2019.

Boosting jobs, creating communities

The project has seen $9.5 million spent locally by WBHO. Aboriginal employment has averaged at over one third of the workforce across the entire season, at times peaking at over 50 per cent – a successful outcome for the local community.

In collaboration with the Department of Justice, WBHO engaged nine low risk inmates from the Wyndham Work Camp. The inmates received on-the-job training, enabling them to gain skills and become valuable members of the project team. The initiative worked exceptionally well and had positive impacts on the inmates.

Further information

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