Mitchell Freeway carries some of the highest traffic demands in Perth, with up to 180,000 vehicles per day, and is a critical corridor connecting Perth’s northern suburbs to commercial, residential and recreational facilities in the wider metropolitan area.

The section of freeway from Cedric Street to Vincent Street is particularly congested in the morning peak, with bottlenecks at two separate locations where four lanes merge into three.

As part of a $2.3 billion investment in road and rail infrastructure, the State and Australian governments have committed $40 million to widen Mitchell Freeway between Cedric Street and Vincent Street, providing seven kilometres of additional lane in the southbound direction to improve congestion through the area.

This work forms part of Main Roads’ overall plan to transform Perth’s freeways to accommodate population and economic growth into the future.

**Benefits**

Once built, this project will:

- provide capacity for additional vehicles on the freeway
- improve traffic flow and journey times for road users, particularly during their morning commute
- improve safety by reducing stop/start conditions from lane merging
- create four continuous freeway lanes from Erindale Road to Vincent Street

**Timeframes**

The project is currently being developed, which means we are refining work on the concept design and conducting preliminary site investigations and assessments (including determining if enhanced shared paths can be accommodated as part of this project). We are aiming to commence construction in mid 2018, with completion by end 2019.

$40m has been allocated to this project as part of the $2.3 billion road and rail infrastructure works package jointly-funded by the Australian ($32 million) and State ($8 million) governments.

In the coming months we will be undertaking noise measurement studies and other site investigations. You will be contacted by direct mail if these activities affect your property.

While there will be some impacts during construction, we will plan to minimise disruption and inconvenience to road users and nearby residents as much as possible.

**Community and Stakeholder Engagement**

We will be implementing a full community and stakeholder engagement program including project briefings to special interest groups, community information sessions (after the concept design is completed), project email updates and website enquiries.

We will also establish a Construction Reference Group to engage with our stakeholders. We will call for expressions of interest for this group in late 2017.

**What to expect**

We are committed to early and ongoing communication throughout the project to ensure you stay up-to-date. As the project develops from concept to detailed design, more information will be available for our stakeholders.

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MITCHELL FREeway SOUTHBound WIDEnING (CEDRIC STREET TO VINCENT STREET)

Reducing travel times to the city for morning commuters.

Creating four continuous lanes from Erindale Rd to Vincent St.