

Toodyay Road – Gidgegannup

Two road safety improvement projects are being undertaken in 2017-18 on Toodyay Road, Gidgegannup, with funding from the State Government's Road Trauma Trust Account.

Country Road to Reen Road (including Stoneville Road and Reen Road intersections)

This upgrade project covers 2.4 km of Toodyay Road between Country and Reen roads, including the intersections of Stoneville and Reen roads. Scope includes:

- widening of Toodyay Road to include a painted median and 1.5 m sealed shoulders
- dedicated left and right-turning pockets on Toodyay Road at the intersections of Stoneville and Reen roads
- left and right-turn lanes on Stoneville and Reen roads at Toodyay Road
- relocation and extension of the westbound passing lane on Toodyay Road to the west of Stoneville Road
- improved access to the Old Toodyay Road rest area, on the northern side of Toodyay Road
- safety barriers, where required
- street lighting at the intersections.

Work will start Monday 11 December 2017. Main Roads' engineers and environmental officers have worked together to refine the design for this project to preserve the maximum vegetation possible by adding extra safety barriers, steepening batters and repositioning road drainage to allow trees to be retained.

These modifications will save about half of the trees with a diameter greater than 50cm originally earmarked for clearing.

General purpose clearing for this project will affect largely degraded vegetation over a 2.4 km project area. This clearing will primarily occur around the intersections to improve the line of sight for road users and along the southern verge being widened for sealed shoulders and a passing lane. It includes approximately 100 trees with a diameter greater than 50cm, but none with hollows.

O'Brien Road to Country Road (including Roland Road and O'Brien Road intersections)

In early 2018, a second contractor will be appointed to upgrade 1.9 km of Toodyay Road between O'Brien and Country roads and improve the intersections of Toodyay Road with Roland and O'Brien roads. This project includes:

- 1 km of widening between O'Brien and Country roads to provide 1.5 m sealed shoulders
- Dedicated left and right-turning pockets on Toodyay Road at the intersections of Roland and O'Brien roads
- Left and right-turn lanes on Roland and O'Brien roads at Toodyay Road
- Safety barriers, where required
- Street lighting at the intersections.



Main Roads' engineers and environmental officers again worked together to refine the design for this project to preserve vegetation by adding extra safety barriers, steepening batters and repositioning road drainage to allow trees to be retained. This has reduced the number of trees to be cleared by about one-third.

General purpose clearing will affect largely degraded native vegetation over approximately 2 km. This clearing will primarily occur around the intersections to improve the line of sight for road users and along the southern verge being widened for sealed shoulders. It includes less than 50 trees with a diameter greater than 50 cm, but none with hollows.

There will be no ground disturbance to Susannah Brook or its tributaries, which is a registered Aboriginal heritage site. Main Roads is working closely with the Susannah Brook Catchment Group to develop a replanting program for implementation next winter that improves the values of the brook.

Managing clearing

During clearing works for both contracts, Main Roads' environment officers will be on-site to inspect individual trees earmarked for felling and ensure any birds and other fauna have left the project area before clearing commences.

All vegetation cleared for these works will be mulched and re-used on site to encourage regrowth, unless deemed unsuitable due to pathogens or pests.

Revegetation will be undertaken in suitable areas in winter 2018. This is likely to be concentrated around the road reserve near Susannah Brook, to stabilise the batters and reduce the potential for sedimentation.

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Section of Toodyay Road upgraded last year at Lilydale Rd

Consultation

Main Roads has undertaken consultation for these projects with:

- City of Swan
- Gidgegannup Progress Association
- Susannah Brook Catchment Group
- Local property owners and residents
- Local Traditional Owners