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Wanneroo Road congestion relief is on the way

Congestion relief for commuters in Perth's northern suburbs is a step closer with industry asked to submit proposals for the design and build of the new Wanneroo Road and Ocean Reef Road interchange.

Federal Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities Paul Fletcher said the project would support 350 jobs and was one of three major upgrades planned for Perth's northern corridor, along with the widening of Wanneroo Road between Joondalup Drive and Flynn Drive and an upgrade of the Wanneroo Road and Joondalup Drive intersection.

"This project will future-proof the road network in Perth's northern suburbs – we are planning ahead for the traffic growth that will come from the residential and industrial development in this area," Mr Fletcher said.

"This upgrade is a great example of how the Turnbull Government's \$10 billion investment in WA infrastructure is supporting jobs and economic growth as well as easing congestion."

Western Australian Minister for Transport Rita Saffioti said John Holland Pty Ltd, Laing O'Rourke Australia Construction Pty Ltd and WBHO Infrastructure-SRG Joint Venture had now been invited to submit a proposal to design and construct the project following a six-week expression of interest period late last year.

"The request for proposals for this important project is a significant milestone in our plan to tackle congestion in Perth's northern suburbs," Ms Saffioti said.

"Together with the METRONET rail extension to Yanchep, we are ensuring the northern suburbs has the transport infrastructure in place to match future growth."

Federal Member for Moore Ian Goodenough said the construction of the new bridge, with on and off ramps managed by traffic signals, would improve traffic flow at the intersection.

"In February this year, we called for proposals for the Joondalup Drive section, which is progressing well, and the two flyovers over Wanneroo Road combined with the widening north of Joondalup Drive will relieve a series of known bottlenecks and capacity issues on the Perth road network," Mr Goodenough said.

"Wanneroo Road carries high traffic volumes and the intersection at Ocean Reef Road ranks as one of the most congested in the Perth metropolitan area. It's great to see another milestone reached."

The Australian Government has committed \$51.8 million to fund the \$64.8 million project, with Western Australia committing the remaining \$12.96 million. A contract award is anticipated in late 2018.

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