Eyre Highway Realignment and New Eastbound Heavy Vehicle Rest Area Kimba Project

Background

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking upgrade works on the Eyre Highway between Port Augusta and the Western Australian border. This initiative is jointly funded by the Australian and South Australian governments (80:20) as part of the Road of Strategic Importance Program.

As part of this program the Department is planning to realign the Eyre Highway and upgrade four road junctions at Kimba. This will allow for uninterrupted, continuous movements through the township, improving safety and efficiency for all roads users, including freight and local residents.

The project will also include the construction of a new heavy vehicle rest area which will increase freight productivity while also supporting compliance with the National Heavy Vehicle Fatigue Laws through the provision of regular, suitable rest areas.

Other works will include the construction of a new pedestrian refuge, removal of the existing level crossing, new and upgraded LED road lighting. road pavement construction, asphalt re-surfacing, and new drainage - see concept plan overleaf.

Current works

Investigation activities, including environmental and engineering surveys and geotechnical investigations, have been undertaken along this section of the Eyre Highway. Early works including service relocations and soil testing will be undertaken in the coming months.

Community engagement

In 2021 the Department undertook a Planning Study to gain local insights and to better understand how the Highway is used and accessed through Kimba.

This feedback combined with planning and investigations have informed the concept plan.

Community and stakeholder engagement is important for the successful delivery of this project. As part of the ongoing planning, the Department is seeking input from the community on the proposed concept via any of the below options. Additionally, the project team will be in Kimba, early 2023, to meet with the community and to answer any questions you may have.

Project timing

We will keep you informed as the project progresses, with construction expected to commence in mid-2023 and be completed in 2024.

For more information

If you have any questions, would like to register to receive project updates or to provide feedback on the project, please either:

Call: 1300 794 880

Email: DIT.Engagement@sa.gov.au

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scan the QR code below to provide your feedback.





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Eyre Highway Realignment - Kimba Concept Plan



Scope of works:

- Realignment and upgrade of the Eyre Highway through Kimba
- Construction of a new eastbound heavy vehicle rest area
- Four junction upgrades
- Pedestrian refuge
- Removal of the existing level crossing
- New and upgraded LED road lighting for the extent of the works (where required)
- Asphalt re-surfacing and new line marking
- New drainage