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Hi Councillors,

Further to the discussion regarding Tonkin Highway please find below the update I received today and details about community engagement as a result of the request for the State Govt to hold a community forum about this project.

Officers will continue to work with Main Roads regarding community engagement for this project.

Regards,

Paul

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Hi Paul,

Thank you for your email of 1 February 2023 regarding the above, which has been forwarded to me for a response. I am pleased to provide you with the following update on the project.

We are working to have project development completed, including the concept designs ready for handover to our delivery team by mid-2023. Current timing for commencement of construction is 2025 with completion by end of 2027, subject to regulatory approvals, which include meeting appropriate environmental offsets, which is proving extremely difficult. We'll keep you updated on progress of the identification of suitable offset locations.

As part of the planning process, we also anticipate an engagement program to run between mid-April and June 2023, where we'll be offering a range of activities including community drop-in sessions to share project details and answer questions from the community. To complete the supporting materials for this program, we require the concept designs to be well advanced to meet the information needs of our stakeholders. We look forward to working closely with the Shire to finalise the details of this program.

As you are aware, following extensive stakeholder engagement undertaken to-date, there have been significant developments and refinements to the Tonkin Highway Extension project scope, including refinement of a robust access and local connectivity plan that includes the Gossage Road equine underpass and Shanley Road vehicle underpass, future Doley Road realignment and emergency bushfire access at key locations. We appreciate the efforts of Shire elected members, executive and officers, as well as community stakeholders who have been party to this engagement.

Additional project scope has meant extra planning and design work to be completed before being able to provide details of the concept design to the community as well as to hand over the project to our delivery team.

As you are also aware, we are undertaking concept designs and development work for Thomas Road Duplication concurrently with Tonkin Highway Extension, with both project teams working

to ensure an integrated project concept is completed. This integrated project concept would result in Thomas Road being duplicated from Kargotich Road to South Western Highway (with the section from Thomas Road over Rail to South Western Highway being delivered separately under MetroNet project). Thomas Road Duplication concept will also be included as part of the above referenced community engagement activities, ensuring stakeholders have a complete picture of the upcoming transport infrastructure expected to be delivered over next five years or so.

While most of the land for the Tonkin Highway Extension has been secured for some time, the additional scope and new Thomas Road Duplication project mean land requirements are also under review to ensure the projects can meet future transport demands. These requirements will also be finalised in the coming months with any additional land acquisition to be initiated in the second half of 2023 for completion before construction starts.

Tonkin Highway Extension and Thomas Road Duplication together will create a more than \$1 billion investment in transport infrastructure within the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale.

Designing and delivering a project of this magnitude in an environmentally sensitive area is a complex and challenging task. We appreciate the assistance provided by the Shire to develop the projects this far and the continued patience of the community.

We are determined to deliver a world-class transport asset that will deliver transport and economic benefits not only to the local community but to the whole state.

Also for your information, Sergio Martinez and Craig Mansfield have moved on to other projects. Bill Adams is back from extended leave as the Project Manager for Tonkin Highway Extension and Roger Highfield is taking over from Adrian Majstrovich as the new Project Manager for Thomas Road Duplication.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or [REDACTED] if you need any further information in this regard.

Regards,

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