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# Proposed long term heavy vehicle alternate route Katherine

The NT Government is planning for the future development of Katherine, particularly for heavy vehicle movements.

The project is a long term (20+ year) initiative that aims to:

- » Identify the best route corridor that can be preserved for future
- » Have minimal impact on natural environmental features and sites of cultural significance
- » Design a route that can be built in stages, as need arises
- » Complement existing town planning studies such as the Katherine Flood Mitigation Report
- » Provide a second high level crossing over Katherine River
- » Provide landowners with developmental assurance.



## Why is an alternate route needed?

Katherine is an important link for the national highway network being centered on the intersection of two major highways, Stuart Highway and Victoria Highway. This provides an important link between the Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia.

An alternate route will provide an improved connection for these routes and offer considerable safety benefits for pedestrians in Katherine town centre.

## Where are we up to?

In July 2015, the Northern Territory Government started consultation on the proposed heavy vehicle alternate route, with stalls at the Katherine Show and Oasis Shopping Centre. We asked the community how they felt about a heavy vehicle alternate route, and sought ideas on a good route for the road to follow.

This information was compiled, and three route options chosen. In October 2015, these three options were presented to the community at the Oasis Shopping Centre, and we listened to your ideas, comments and insights.

Katherine community feedback, along with technical assessments helped us identify a preferred option.