

Arnhem Highway – Adelaide River Floodplain Upgrade (Stage 1)

Transfer of traffic to new road alignment

Dear Stakeholder,

The first stage of the project to upgrade the Arnhem Highway across the Adelaide River Floodplain is almost complete.

The next milestone in this \$77.88 million project, funded by the Australian Government and Northern Territory Government, is the completion of the final matching-in works in November to connect the existing road with the new alignment.

This work will start this week, and will take place at the start of the work site on the Arnhem Highway, approximately 30km from the Stuart Highway intersection, where traffic will be transferred from the existing road to the newly completed sections. A map is shown overleaf.

All road users should allow extra time while travelling through this section of the Arnhem Highway. Traffic management measures will be in place for approximately three weeks, with one lane operational for both inbound and outbound traffic. After hours arrangements to manage traffic flows will be in place over nights and weekends when no work is taking place.

These final matching-in works are estimated to be complete by late November, weather and ground conditions permitting.

The opening of the new alignment allows work adjacent to the new road to continue beyond this date, which could not be completed until traffic was diverted onto the new road. The remaining work on Stage 1 of the project is expected to be complete by the end of 2021/beginning of 2022. Traffic management arrangements may still be required throughout this phase.

Stage 2 work on the Adelaide River Floodplain Upgrade is also currently underway, upgrading a 3km section of Arnhem Highway at Beatrice Hill. Completion of Stage 2 works is anticipated in late 2023.

We appreciate your patience while we complete this important work to reduce road closure and restriction effects during the wet season on the Arnhem Highway and to increase safety and access for all road users.

For any queries about the Arnhem Highway projects, please email communications.dipl@nt.gov.au or call the project hotline number on **1800 560 308**.



