Bunbury Outer Ring Road (Stages 2 and 3)

State/Territory: Western Australia
Proposed AG funding: $682.0 million

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PROBLEM DESCRIPTION
Forrest Highway, Robertson Drive and Bussell Highway in Bunbury are experiencing congestion and safety issues due to a mix of tourist, local and freight traffic. Access to Bunbury Port for road freight is also inefficient with heavy vehicles using indirect routes and being constrained by a number of at grade intersections. Bunbury Outer Ring Road has been listed as a priority initiative by Infrastructure Australia.

This project will construct a southern connection to Bussell Highway (Stage 2) and northern connection to Forrest Highway (Stage 3) from the existing Bunbury Outer Ring Road Stage 1 link, which was completed in May 2013. The project is estimated to support 4,200 direct and indirect jobs.

The Australian Government has committed a further $122 million as part of the 2019-20 Budget in addition to the $560 million committed in the 2018-19 Budget.

This project is expected to be funded on an 80:20 basis with the Western Australian Government.

PROJECT BENEFITS
- Improve freight productivity and access to freight gateways.
- Improve road safety and reduce congestion for all road users.