



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Western Sydney

Through the October 2022-23 Budget, the Australian Government is funding its commitment to new infrastructure projects for Western Sydney, including a \$300 million Western Sydney Roads Package and the establishment of an expert panel for Western Sydney infrastructure planning as part of its strategy to ease congestion, better connect regions, improve access and safety of our roads and meet our national freight challenge.

This Budget follows a repositioning of the Infrastructure Investment Program to respond to market capacity constraints, creating a more sustainable infrastructure pipeline while continuing to support priorities for Western Sydney. In total, \$728.1 million is being invested in nine projects across Western Sydney this Budget to help reduce congestion, improve community access, contribute to safety and efficiency for road users and provide planning for future investment decisions.

Supporting
priorities for the
growing **Western
Sydney** region

Key projects

Blue Mountains Roads Upgrades

The Australian Government has committed \$12.5 million for the Blue Mountains Roads Upgrades project.

The Blue Mountains Roads Upgrades project will help to improve community access and contribute to safety and efficiency for road users in this area. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by early 2026.



Dunheved Road Upgrade

The Australian Government has reconfirmed the existing commitment of \$127 million for the Dunheved Road Upgrade in Penrith.



The project will help to improve community access and contribute to safety and efficiency for road users in this area. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by late 2024.

Finalise Planning and Preparatory Works for Castlereagh Connection

The Australian Government has committed \$50 million to finalise planning and preparatory works for the Castlereagh Connection project in the Hawkesbury region.

The project will finalise planning and undertake early works on the Castlereagh Connection to inform a future investment decision for construction. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by early 2027.



Hawkesbury Roads Upgrade Package

The Australian Government has committed \$11.2 million for the Hawkesbury Roads Upgrade Package.

The Hawkesbury Roads Upgrade Package will help to improve community access and contribute to safety and efficiency for road users in this area. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by early 2027.



Middleton Drive Extension – M7 Underpass

The Australian Government has committed \$6 million for the Middleton Drive Extension - M7 Underpass project between Middleton Grange and Austral, in addition to \$3 million from the Liverpool City Council.

The project will help to improve community access and contribute to safety and efficiency for road users in this area.



New Richmond Bridge and Traffic Improvements (Hawkesbury River Third Crossing)

The Australian Government has reconfirmed the existing commitment of \$400 million for the New Richmond Bridge and Traffic Improvements (formerly known as the



Hawkesbury River Third Crossing) project between North Richmond and Richmond, in addition to \$100 million from the NSW Government.

The project will help to improve flood resilience, improve safety for road users and reduce congestion. The project is expected to commence in late 2022 and be completed by late 2026.

North West Growth Corridor – Planning and Early Works

The Australian Government has committed \$75 million for the North West Growth Corridor – Planning and Early Works.

The project will help to finalise planning and undertake early works on the North West Growth Corridor in Western Sydney to inform a future investment decision for construction.

Roads to be considered include Bandon Road and Garfield Road. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by early 2027.



Richmond Road - Planning

The Australian Government has committed \$37 million for the Richmond Road - Planning project in Western Sydney.

The project will help to finalise planning on the Richmond Road corridor to inform a future investment decision for construction. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and be completed by mid 2025.



River Road Safety Upgrades

The Australian Government has committed \$9.4 million for River Road Safety Upgrades in Revesby.

The River Road Safety Upgrades will help to improve safety for all road users and reduce congestion at intersection of River Road, Marco and Sphinx Avenues. The project is expected to commence in early 2023 and is expected to be completed by early 2026.



Other commitments

Expert Panel for Western Sydney Infrastructure Planning

The Australian Government has committed to the establishment of an expert panel for Western Sydney infrastructure planning. The panel will undertake a strategic needs assessment of transport infrastructure in Western Sydney and provide its findings to the Government ahead of the 2023-24 Budget.

