An exciting milestone has recently been reached for the project, with METROconnex and NEWest announced as the two shortlisted consortia to move through to the Alliance Development stage. This stage of the tender process is important, as the consortia will provide a detailed bid, indicating how they will design and construct the project. METRONET will work with these two proponents until the end of the year when the successful contractor will be announced. This is a great opportunity for local jobs and construction supply chain businesses are encouraged to register their business on the Capability Register on the METRONET website www.metronet.wa.gov.au.

Environmental approvals progress for the Yanchep Rail Extension

Progress continues on the Yanchep Rail Extension as the Public Transport Authority has recently submitted the Yanchep Rail Extension: Part 2 – Eglinton to Yanchep Public Environmental Review to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment.

This process follows on from Part 1, which focused on the Butler to Eglinton area and was referred to the EPA in February 2018.

The project team have worked to minimise environmental impacts as much as possible and will manage construction of the Yanchep Rail Extension: Part 2 - Eglinton to Yanchep in accordance with all environmental approvals.

The public comment period is scheduled to close on July 8, 2019. For further details on the environmental assessment process visit the METRONET website.

Spotlight on Alkimos Station

Alkimos Station will serve the future Alkimos Central development – a secondary centre planned to include residential, retail, business, recreation and education amenities for the fast growing area. While it’s still a work in progress some key features of the new Alkimos Station will include:

- **600 Parking bays**
- **Secure bike parking shelters and bike u-rails**
- **8+ Bus interchange and stands with weather protection**
- **41 min Journey to Perth**

*Final details are subject to detailed design and may change.*
A Frequently Asked Question

How will noise and vibration be managed?

To minimise impacts on the nearby residential developments, the Yanchep Rail Extension will mostly be built in a cutting. Ballast matting (vibration absorbent matting) will be installed under the railway in areas next to existing and future residential developments to manage vibration. At this stage, noise walls will be built as required and will be based on modelling outcomes and in consultation with land developers. For all of the project’s Frequently Asked Questions, visit the METRONET website.

Meet the team

Once in construction, the Yanchep Rail Extension is expected to generate about 1,500 jobs. But before we even get a shovel in the ground, meet the team at the Public Transport Authority (PTA), who are the agency responsible for delivering this important project for Perth’s northern suburbs.

In this edition we meet Colin Stedman, Environmental Manager (pictured) who is responsible for leading a small team of environmental professionals at the PTA. Colin works hard to ensure the environmental aspects of our projects continue to progress through the planning, construction and delivery phases. The PTA takes its environmental obligations very seriously and works closely with the EPA and other State and Commonwealth environmental agencies to adequately identify and mitigate any impacts.

Any upcoming opportunities to be part of this team will be advertised on the PTA website www.pta.wa.gov.au.

Trades, subcontractors and other construction roles will be advertised by the contractor once appointed.

Seed collection completed on the Yanchep Rail Extension reserve

Seeds were carefully chosen from a range of healthy native plants along the Yanchep Rail Extension alignment. They were packaged and stored in a climate controlled storage facility, awaiting use on the project in the future.

The collected seed is kept company by around 2.5 tonnes of seed that has already been collected from many other projects. To find out more about the type of seed that was collected visit the METRONET website.

Find us in your feed

Did you know that the Yanchep Rail Extension has a community Facebook group?

The group is designed to update the community on project milestones, construction impacts or general project updates. It’s a forum for interaction, discussion, commentary and questions between the community and METRONET.

Join by searching ‘METRONET Yanchep Rail Extension community group’ in the Facebook search bar or type this URL into your browser: www.facebook.com/groups/yancheprailextension/.

What’s next?

Work’s commencing

Forward works, to clear and prepare the rail corridor for the construction of the train line and stations will start in the next few months. The work will include trapping and relocating animals, fencing off the rail corridor, and clearing of land and vegetation.

The main construction work will begin once the successful contractor has been appointed.

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