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New Aldinga Bridge opening to traffic

The completion of the new Aldinga Bridge, which will open to traffic from Monday, 3 March 2025, marks a significant milestone for the duplication of Main South Road between Aldinga and Sellicks.

The Aldinga Bridge is a key feature of the new Aldinga Interchange, which realigns the junctions of Aldinga Beach Road and Aldinga Road to create a safer and more efficient connection. Traffic is now also travelling on parts of the newly constructed northbound carriageway on Main South Road.

As well as the Aldinga Interchange, the stage 2 Main South Road duplication includes intersection upgrades at Hart and Colville roads, Norman and Rogers roads, Hahn and Cox roads and Sellicks Beach Road, plus installation of wide centre medians and wire rope barriers to improve safety by separating northbound and southbound traffic.

It also includes three U-turns to facilitate local access and a shared use path for pedestrians and cyclists along the western side of Main South Road, from Aldinga to Sellicks Beach.

A priority for the project has been supporting local businesses, with 98 per cent of the work being undertaken by South Australian companies, and the project made up of a 99 per cent South Australian workforce.

In all, 95 businesses, including a number of Indigenous-owned enterprises, have been awarded contracts to provide materials and services for stage 2 of the Main South Road duplication.

One such company is TW Civil, run by Seaford local Todd Williams. Todd started as a sole operator with a minor contract for stage one of the duplication.

His company has since been awarded a significant drainage contract for stage 2, which has seen his initial crew of five people grow to a team of 15, with his fleet of vehicles expanding from one ute to two excavators, two bob cats, a 12-tonne tipper, and several work utes.

Stage 2 of the Main South Road duplication project has also achieved a five per cent Aboriginal workforce to date, with a total of \$7.7 million in packages of work awarded to Indigenous businesses, including Indigenous-owned business Ngurra, a civil and construction company based in metropolitan Adelaide.

Ngurra's focus for Stage 2 is on delivering essential drainage solutions and completing minor structural works. Such collaborations have positive benefits beyond building a road, including fostering knowledge-sharing and skill development, benefiting both Indigenous and non-Indigenous teams.

Stage 2 of the Main South Road duplication between Aldinga Beach Road and Sellicks Beach is being delivered as part of the \$810.4 million Fleurieu Connections project, funded by the South Australian and Australian governments.

The project is supporting 405 full-time equivalent jobs during construction, with full completion expected in 2026.

Temporary traffic signals will be in place for traffic at the new Main South Road, Aldinga Road and Aldinga Beach Road intersection from Monday 3 March. These temporary signals will ensure a safer and more predictable flow of traffic until the full interchange opens in 2026, when Main South Road traffic will be sent under the new bridge.

Quotes attributable to Tom Koutsantonis

The opening of the new Aldinga Bridge and the realignment of Aldinga Beach Road and Aldinga Road will contribute to a safer, seamless network to keep traffic flowing and improve driver safety in the area.

Around 18,800 vehicles use Main South Road every day and that is only set to increase with traffic volumes expected to grow to 26,000 vehicles a day by 2036.

The duplication of Main South Road and new infrastructure such as the Aldinga Bridge will ease congestion and improve traffic flow and safety for locals and visitors alike, while improving connectivity, transport routes and supporting regional growth, bringing long-term benefits to the region for years to come.

The project also continues to support local businesses in the area, with success stories such as TW Civil and Ngurra demonstrating our commitment to ensuring that South Australian companies remain at the heart of this important infrastructure upgrade.

Quotes attributable to TW Civil General Manager Todd Williams

It's been fantastic to be close to home and have a job on my front doorstep. Going from being on my own to three crews in such a short space of time, I pinch myself every day. It's grown so rapidly.

Every day I drive around and see change – when I’m talking to people about the project, they say how good it’s going to be for the economy down here.

It’s a long way from my small beginnings, but I’ll keep putting my best foot forward and growing and expanding as needed.

Quotes attributable to Ngurra Executive Director Will Darley

Ngurra is honoured to be part of the Main South Road upgrade, contributing to significant improvements in southern Adelaide.

As an Indigenous company, we are deeply committed to supporting infrastructure that benefits the community, and this project provides a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact.

Our Indigenous employees feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. They value the collaborative environment and are proud to be part of such a significant infrastructure development.