

RAC 12 month report card

on the WA Government - March 2014

Prior to the 2013 election, the RAC released a road map for the next Western Australian Government. It outlined key priorities focussed on road safety, congestion and the cost of motoring. Since then, the State Budget, delivered in August 2013, represented the first test of the re-elected Barnett Government's commitment to deliver on its key election commitments on roads, road safety and public transport. This report card tracks the WA Government's performance to date.

Legend = ■ On track ■ At risk ■ Action needed

RAC Priority	Commitment	Action to date	Assessment
Cost of motoring			
Any increases in motoring costs and charges to be kept at or below the rate of inflation.	The Premier committed to keep cost of motoring 'low' and 'affordable'.	<p>Since July 1, 2013:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Drivers licence fees increased by 5% (or \$1.90). \$39.50 for a standard one year licence. > Motor vehicle registration fees increased by 5% (or \$11.40) (for the representative household) <p>Since January 1, 2014:</p> <p>Compulsory third party insurance increased by 4.1%.</p> <p>These increases are above CPI.</p>	●
Road safety			
A renewed commitment to efforts to reduce deaths and serious injuries on WA roads.	The use of Royalties for Regions funding to improve the safety of dangerous country roads.	State Budget showed significant investment (\$130million) in regional roads, funded by Royalties for Regions.	●
	Review of road safety governance.	Review of road safety governance announced by the State Government on 10 July 2013.	●
	A new rescue helicopter based in the South West.	\$15.3million funding announced for the additional rescue helicopter in the State Budget. Funded by Royalties for Regions, based in the South West.	●
	Promote safer vehicles to provide information on safety ratings and safety features at the point of sale.	Low visibility and awareness to date.	●
	Gnangara Road upgrade. Estimated cost: \$14million. Completed by mid-2015.	Funding allocated.	●
	Great Eastern Highway upgrade between Greenmount and Mundaring. Estimated cost: \$12million.	Funding allocated. Completion 2016-2017.	●
	New Perth Darwin National Highway.	Funding allocated (\$230million 2016-2017). Federal funding (\$615million.)	●
	15 new overtaking lanes for Great Eastern Highway between Southern Cross and Kalgoorlie. Estimated cost: \$48million over four years.	Project deferred.	●
	Construct nine new passing lanes on Albany Highway, between Kojonup and Albany. Estimated cost: \$23million.	Project deferred.	●
	Coalfields Highway upgrade. Estimated cost: \$28million over three years.	Funding allocated.	●

	Bindi Bindi Curves upgrade - Great Northern Highway. Estimated cost: \$40million. Completed by end of 2014.	Funding allocated.	●
	South Coast Highway upgrade. Estimated cost: \$30million. Start 2013-2014.	Funding allocated.	●
	Marble Bar Road upgrade. Estimated cost: \$20million. Completed mid-2015.	Funding allocated.	●
Congestion			
Tackling congestion through an integrated and funded strategy of road, public transport and cycling projects.	Build a new airport rail link. Three new train stations and 3000 parking bays. Estimated cost: \$1.895billion (including rail cars). Completed by 2018.	Airport rail link - \$174million out of \$2billion allocated. Completed by 2020.	●
	Upgrade Kenwick train station. Estimated cost: \$6.5million.	On track. Construction start March 2014.	●
	Metro Area Express (MAX) - light rail network. Estimated cost: \$2billion (unfunded). Construction of first stage starts 2016. Completed by 2018.	Project deferred.	●
	Additional five 3-car B series trains. Delivery end 2016.	On track.	●
	New Aubin Grove train station. Estimated cost: \$80million (unfunded).	\$57million Aubin Grove train station in budget.	●
	Stadium transport package. Estimated cost: \$300million. Completed 2017.	\$61million of \$359million. Completed 2017-2018.	●
	Build more bicycle paths within 15 kilometres of Perth CBD. Estimated cost: \$30million.	\$15million in 2014-2015 to 2016-2017 for the WA bicycle network plan, including construction of South Guildford bike path. Priority will be Perth-Midland rail line and Kwinana Freeway paths. The Liberal Party's Transport Policy released in the State Election said \$30million over three years to complete the Principal Shared Paths for cycling.	●
	Northern suburbs road upgrade package. Estimated cost: \$500million.	Mitchell Freeway extension and upgrade of adjacent network (deferred to 2014-2015).	●
	Introduction of CBD Roadworks Traffic Maps to assist motorists.	Launched 2013.	●
	Realign Curtin Avenue, south of Marine Parade roundabout, Cottesloe. Estimated cost: Up to \$40million.	Project deferred.	●
	Redevelop the Mandurah traffic bridge. Estimated cost: \$40million.	Funding allocated.	●