



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Petition

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Title	TIGER BRENNAN DRIVE EXTENSION – ACCESS FOR CYCLISTS
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Petition

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory

We, the undersigned, respectfully call upon the Territory Government to permit cyclists to ride on the Tiger Brennan Drive extension specifically the fly-over leading to Roystonia Avenue. We are bewildered that cycling to and from work and recreational cycling has been prevented especially since this does not support NT Government policy on green transportation. Cycling access between Palmerston and Darwin has been cut off by NT Government failing to plan for appropriate cycle paths in the construction of the Tiger Brennan Drive extension or via Wishart Road.

Response

The Tiger Brennan Drive extension is part of the largest ever road infrastructure project for the Northern Territory. The project comprises overpasses at the junction of Stuart Highway, Tiger Brennan Drive and Roystonia Avenue and an extension of Tiger Brennan Drive from Berrimah Road through to Stuart Highway.

In order to meet the needs of cyclists and pedestrians, a separate non-vehicle overpass has been constructed as part of the interchange project. This overpass links the Stuart Highway and Robertson Barracks off-road path with new works joining the Darwin to Palmerston cycling path network.

Cyclists will also have access along Tiger Brennan Drive road shoulder between Berrimah Road and the Marjorie Street exit (outbound) or between Roystonia Avenue on-ramp (inbound), and Berrimah Road. This practice is consistent with current use along the existing section of Tiger Brennan Drive between Berrimah and Stuart Park.

The use of the on-ramp shoulder between Roystonia Avenue and Tiger Brennan Drive (inbound), and the outbound routing of cyclists via Marjorie Street has been established through consultation with cycling groups and agreed as the most appropriate option available.

The Northern Territory Government is continuing to develop off road shared paths in a prioritised manner through consultation with industry, local government and other agencies.