



The Great Southern Development Commission provides this update on major industry, infrastructure and construction-related projects to better inform the community of the status of major projects and to maximise local and regional business and employment involvement. These projects are also listed at www.gsdsc.wa.gov.au. Additional information can be obtained through the contact person noted for each project.

Aged Care Facility

Proponent: Juniper
Value: \$32 million
Location: Albany
Description: Construction of a 100-bed state-of-the-art residential aged care facility in Lockyer. The new facility is combined with the newly constructed Beryl Grant Community Centre. The selected building contractor is Crothers Construction.
Status: Construction is under way with completion planned for March 2019.
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Great Southern Housing Initiative

Proponent: Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup
Value: \$22.1 million
Location: Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Cranbrook, Gnowangerup, Jerramungup, Katanning, Kent and Kojonup
Description: The GSHI will deliver a total of 52 housing units, comprising 21 units for independent seniors and 31 units for regional employees. The project will address the shortage of quality, affordable housing across the Great Southern. The project has received \$2.6 million in State Government funding and \$10 million from the Australian Government.
Status: Tender documents are being prepared. The project is targeted for completion by 2021.
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Affordable Student Accommodation Stage Two

Proponent: Advance Housing
Value: \$16 million
Location: Albany
Description: The project will provide dedicated and affordable student accommodation facilities to encourage more international and domestic students to attend tertiary and vocational institutions in the Great Southern. Stage Two, supported by \$11 million in Royalties for Regions funding, will see the construction of a 40-bed accommodation

facility at the old Albany Primary School site on Serpentine Road. Stage One involved the construction of 20 units opposite the UWA Albany Centre in the Norman House precinct and was completed in December 2017.

Status: The construction tender was awarded to Wauters Enterprises in January 2019. The project is due for completion by mid-2020.
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New facilities at the former Albany Primary School site in Serpentine Road will host students in affordable accommodation.

Katanning Heritage Centre

Proponent: Shire of Katanning
Value: \$15.4 million
Location: Katanning
Description: The project includes improvements to the All Ages Playground, construction of new tourist facilities and museum, creation of a botanic garden and a medium density residential land development adjacent to the botanic garden and Piesse Lake. The project funding includes \$12.7 million of State Government support.
Status: Work is under way and is due for completion in May 2020.
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Albany's Middleton Beach will have better facilities for users and for events.

Middleton Beach Foreshore Revitalisation

Proponent: City of Albany

Value: \$9 million

Location: Albany

Description: The project creates improved event space and beach experiences, pedestrian networks, environmental rehabilitation and foreshore protection at Middleton Beach. The \$9 million project is supported with State Government funding of \$2.5 million through LandCorp, \$4.5 million from the Australian Government and \$2 million from the City of Albany.

Status: The foreshore protection work will be staged, with commencement expected in Q3 2019. The entire project is expected to take 18 months.

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Centennial Park Upgrade Stage Two

Proponent: City of Albany

Value: \$7 million

Location: Albany

Description: Stage Two includes completion of an AFL junior node, field improvements in the eastern precinct, central promenade including lighting to link the three sub-precincts, vehicle parking and landscaping.

Status: Construction is under way and due for completion by October 2019. Stage One was completed in 2017 at a cost of \$26 million.

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South Coast Highway

Proponent: Main Roads WA

Value: \$6.4 million

Location: Albany

Description: The reconstruction, widening and construction of a west-bound passing lane on South Coast Highway between Mead Road and Killarney Road.

Status: The construction contract was awarded to Densford Civil and is due for completion in April 2019.

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Regional Waste Management

Proponent: Shires of Jerramungup, Katanning, Kent, Gnowangerup and Ravensthorpe

Value: \$5.3 million

Location: Katanning and Ravensthorpe

Description: Construction of two regional landfill facilities serviced by upgraded or newly constructed transfer stations located within the participating shires. The project aims to rationalise the waste collection and disposal network allowing the region to manage resources more effectively. The project received \$3.1 million from Royalties for Regions.

Status: The Katanning and Ravensthorpe landfill sites and associated transfer stations are expected to be completed by the end of 2019.

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Wave Energy Research Centre

Proponent: University of Western Australia

Value: \$3.75 million

Location: Albany

Description: The University of Western Australia was awarded a \$3.75 million State Government grant to develop a Wave Energy Research Centre (WERC) in Albany, building on expertise already developed at the UWA Oceans Institute.

Status: The former Albany Visitor Centre building is being refurbished to house the WERC.

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Lake Ewlyamartup

Proponent: Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management

Value: \$2.3 million

Location: Katanning

Description: This project is part of the Living Lakes initiative aimed at implementing creative engineering solutions to enhance ephemeral lake systems through the re-creation of permanent water bodies. Lake enhancements will increase opportunities for recreational and tourism activities. The project is funded through Royalties for Regions.

Status: Construction of the engineering works commenced in March 2018 with the initial focus on the channel excavation and bund construction. The project was paused over winter and recommenced in late November. Works commenced on the culvert under the Katanning-Nyabing Road in early February, with full completion anticipated in early March 2019. A consultant, Creative Spaces, has been appointed to prepare a Tourism and Marketing Strategy for the lake to identify opportunities for marketing the lake and attracting visitors. The lake activation will be linked to the wayfinding and stories project within the Katanning Heritage Centre Project.

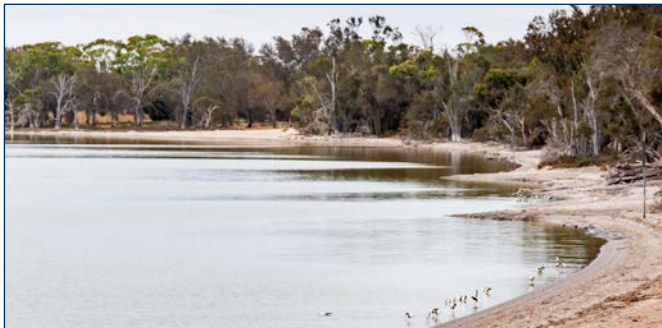
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The Nyabing community and guests gathered in March to open the new community hub.

Nyabing Community Hub

Proponent: Nyabing Progress Association

Value: \$1.65 million

Location: Nyabing

Description: Redevelopment of the Nyabing Inn into a community hub including six accommodation units, for short-term and seasonal workers, car parking, business offices, conference room, commercial kitchen and dining room. The project was supported by \$200,000 through the GSDC's Regional Grants Scheme.

Status: The project achieved practical completion on 15 February 2019.

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