



SOUTH WEST GROUP

REGIONAL INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AND LAND USE STRATEGY FOR THE SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN REGION

THE SOUTH WEST GROUP HAS FOCUSED ON THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT ACTION PLAN (RTAP) 2013/14 TO ACHIEVE THE REGIONAL AND STATE BENEFITS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES READILY AVAILABLE IN THE SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN REGION.

This paper identifies a framework and the four primary program components describing why and where strategically planned investment and priority funding is needed for transport and related infrastructure projects in the region.

REGIONAL TRANSPORT ACTION PLAN

The South West Group RTAP Phase 1 Report (June 2012) identified policy goals and outcome indicators to guide activities. These align with State Government policies and objectives and guide transport and land use planning in the South West Metropolitan Region.

RTAP Phase 1 Policy Goals

1. *Support the WA economy and maximise benefits to Western Australians through the economic and social development of the South West Metropolitan Region.*
2. *Plan for sustainable and resilient growth to achieve greater productivity, diversity, prosperity and liveability in the South West Metropolitan Region.*
3. *Balance the State, regional and local needs for enterprise, employment and mobility with amenity, health, safety, security and wellbeing of citizens in the region.*
4. *Build capability and commitment in the community for shaping, developing and delivering regional development goals.*
5. *Participate with industry, business and government to deliver infrastructure and services to better reflect community needs.*



RTAP Phase 1 Outcome Indicators

Outcome indicators monitor progress toward achieving policy goals and have been selected based on availability of data and consistency with policy goals. Measurement of outcomes will involve actual number and/or percentages based on current data, changes and trends. The outcome indicators are provided below.

RTAP OUTCOME INDICATORS	POLICY GOALS				
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Population <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Growth• Density	◆	◆		◆	
Jobs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Growth	◆	◆	◆	◆	
Employment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self-containment• Commute from outside region	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Regional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gross Regional Output• Growth in Number of Businesses• Building Approvals• Productive Industrial and Commercial Land	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Community Capacity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personal Income• Skill Level	◆	◆	◆	◆	
Transport and Travel <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Journey to Work (x distance x mode)• Road Congestion (volume/capacity)		◆	◆		◆

A review of current and projected longer term population growth, opportunities for economic and social development in the region and consequential travel demand in and through the region has identified four formative program components flagging the immediate and ongoing need to match capacity and demand. This in turn has generated the need for an integrated regional transport framework.

REGIONAL INTEGRATED TRANSPORT FRAMEWORK

The Regional Integrated Transport Framework ties the program components to the RTAP policies and outcomes measures. The vision and purpose of the framework are as follows.

Vision

A region wide integrated and efficient transport system complementing growth in population with growth in jobs and employment self-containment, reduced congestion and travel time, and increased industry, business and economic productivity.

Purpose

To structure and link the Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP) policy goals and program components and advocate for strategically planned investment and priority funding of transport and related infrastructure projects in the region.



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The program components outline and articulate the role of the South West Group and member Councils, as outlined below, in advocating for the resilience of the South West Metropolitan Region:

- Congestion Management Strategy
- Integrated Program for Freight Infrastructure
- Economic Assessment and Government Investment
- Our Public Transport Future

1. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Purpose

To assess the key drivers and impacts of congestion in the South West Metropolitan Region and identify mitigation measures to improve the region's productivity and strengthen attraction and resilience of employment centres throughout the region.

Objectives

- *To identify and quantify the factors leading to increased congestion in the region*
- *To identify and quantify the adverse productivity impacts associated with traffic congestion*
- *To identify mitigation measures, including behaviour change, to relieve congestion, enhance amenity and improve productivity*

2. INTEGRATED PROGRAM FOR FREIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Purpose

To develop the value proposition through the “packaging” of regional priority transport projects to attract investment and priority funding of infrastructure for more efficient freight movements associated with the Fremantle Ports and the industrial and commercial precincts within the region.

Objectives

- *To develop the capacity and capability to respond to the projected growth of the regional freight task*
- *To avoid adverse productivity impacts of congestion on key freight corridors*
- *To provide integrated solutions that optimises use of existing freight infrastructure and investment in new infrastructure and upgrades, including intermodal facilities*



3. ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT AND GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT IN TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

Purpose

To assess the level and adequacy of investment on transport related infrastructure in the South West Metropolitan Region in the context of the region's current and projected contribution to the State's economy in the face of significant population growth, increased freight movements and the impacts on productivity associated with congestion.

Objectives

- *To quantify the significant financial contribution of the region toward the State's economy*
- *To assess the level of State and Federal Government investment in transport infrastructure in the region, taking into account an equitable share based on a range of economic and social indicators*
- *To recommend regional transport infrastructure projects that funding should be directed toward an increased capability and regional and State economic productivity*

4. OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORT FUTURE

Purpose

To outline an aspirational vision for the progressive development of high quality public transport integrated with increased opportunities for walking and cycling in support of regional initiatives for affordable living, targeted higher density and increased local employment.

Objectives

- *To improve personal mobility through increasing the proportion of public transport passenger trips*
- *To develop a high quality public transport network that improves accessibility within and across the region*
- *To improve intermodal functionality for public transport passengers*