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Upgrade to busy intersection gets underway

Work is set to begin on upgrading the busy intersection of Cable Beach Rd East and Reid Rd in Broome to improve safety for road users.

The intersection is recognised as a road safety Black Spot, with five crashes recorded in the past five years and victims in two of those requiring medical attention.

The Shire of Broome has secured \$580,000 from the Federal Government to fund the work that will begin on Monday 5 October.

Shire of Broome President and Roadwise Committee Chairman, Graeme Campbell, said the construction of a roundabout at the busy intersection would greatly improve safety for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

"This section of road has become increasingly busy in recent years for reasons including the expansion of the Kimberley Training Institute, construction of the St John Ambulance sub centre and new facilities at Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre," Cr Campbell said.

"Council previously requested that Main Roads WA reduce the speed limit to 60kmh as an interim measure, and this significant work will now further improve road safety.

"Making safe system improvements to roads and roadsides significantly contributes to reducing the number of crashes, and can also reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries that occur when crashes happen."

Construction is expected to run for six weeks with reduced speed limits, detours and other traffic controls in place.

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