Tenders Called for Palmerston Power Supply And McMinn Street Upgrade

The Northern Territory Government will tomorrow call for tenders to provide power to new Rosebery schools and the new suburb of Bellamack in Palmerston.

Infrastructure Minister Delia Lawrie today said the tender would call for the supply and installation of approximately 32 kilometres of underground electrical conduit and 6.8 kilometres of 11,000HV electric cable.

“Palmerston is one of Australia’s fastest growing cities and these power distribution works will enable the supply of safe and secure power to be available when needed to service the growing suburbs,” Ms Lawrie said.

“Work on the new $130 million suburb of Bellamack is well underway and the new power supply headworks will ensure that power is available to service the new houses in Bellamack as well as the new schools currently under construction in Rosebery.

“The first stage of Bellamack will provide 234 housing lots across a range of lot sizes and prices, including affordable housing packages.

“The start of work on 670 blocks is part of the Territory Government’s comprehensive plan to meet the increasing demand for housing.

“We know some families are finding it hard to buy their own home and the start of work at Bellamack will help to ease some of the pressure.”

Ms Lawrie said the Territory Government will also tomorrow call for tenders to widen McMinn Street from two lanes to four between Foelsche Street and Frances Bay Drive in Darwin.

“This important project will deliver jobs and improve traffic flow into our CBD,” Ms Lawrie said.

“More than $4 million has been allocated towards beautifying McMinn Street and improving traffic management along this important road as the primary entry to the Darwin Waterfront and the CBD.

“This project will also deliver new cycle paths and significant works at the Tiger Brennan Drive intersection to improve road capacity and efficiency.

“Beautification works include a landscape corridor, new street lighting and provision of a separately graded, disability standard elevated shared path along the western side.

“A footpath will also be constructed along the eastern side.”

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