The new Alice Springs cycle path has taken another turn in the right direction with the start of work on the 2nd stage along the Todd and Charles River banks.

Transport and Infrastructure Minister Chris Burns visited the site today to inspect the project's progress.

“This Government is proud it's provided more than $500,000 to the project,” Dr Burns said.

“Alice Springs Town Council, which has been given the money under the ‘Alice in 10' Program, has tendered the 13 weeks' work to the Arrente Council,” Dr Burns said.

Dr Burns said the project was identified in the Todd River master plan which guides the ‘Alice in 10' Todd and Charles rivers project.

“I'm pleased the work on the eastern bank has started with the section along Barrett Drive and Tuncks Road to the casino causeway,” he said.

“The pathway along the western bank is already completed from the Old Timers village to the Telegraph Station.”

Further stages of the project to the Undoolya Road have been designed.

Tenders will be called soon for construction of the next stage from Tuncks Road to Stott Terrace and funding for the following stage to Undoolya Road will be made available to council.

Future works also include landscaping and lighting to further enhance the area of Leichhardt Terrace adjacent to the CBD.

Dr Burns said the work will result in a network of linked cycle ways along the river corridor and will encourage residents and visitors to enjoy this facility.