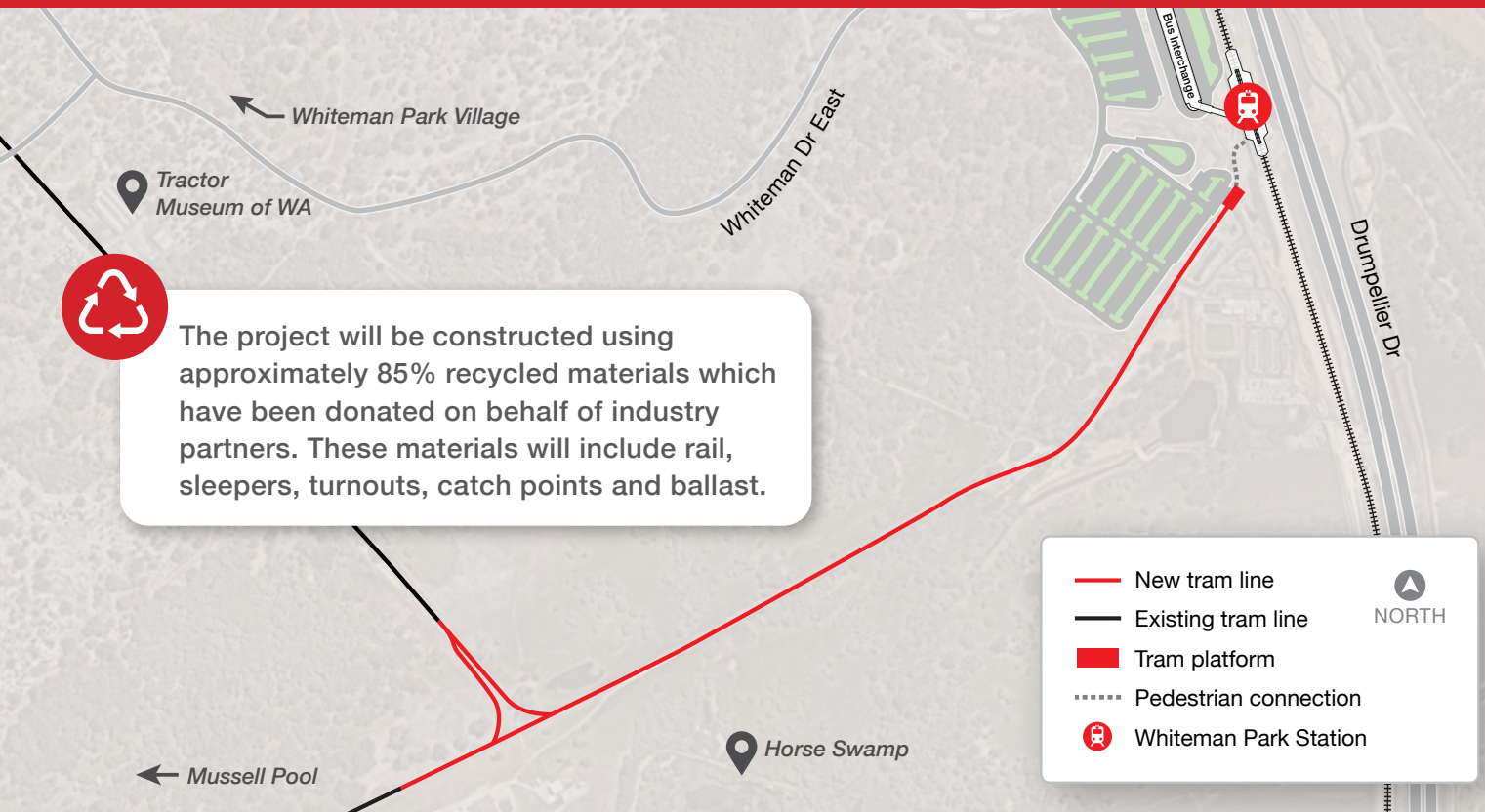


Whiteman Park Tram Extension Project

The Whiteman Park Tram Extension Project will extend the Whiteman Park electric tram network to connect to the new Whiteman Park Station – being built as part of the METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line Project.

This heritage preservation project is being delivered by METRONET, in partnership with the Perth Electric Tramway Society (PETS), and through support and donations from industry representatives.

Extension of the historic tramway will provide local and international tourists with convenient access to Whiteman Park and its attractions.



Departing from a new tram platform just south of Whiteman Park Station, the tram will travel through the park and connect with the existing Whiteman Park tram network.

Project snapshot



1.6km
of new tram line



3
new turnouts



1
new tram platform



2,400
sleepers



2,000
tonnes of ballast



A history of Perth trams

Electric trams were a reliable form of public transport in the first half of the twentieth century. Perth's first tram operated from 1899 along a 4.8km track on Hay Street.

However, the Depression in the 1930s, followed by the war proved to be fatal for Perth's tramway network.

With a fleet and infrastructure that was expensive to maintain, cheaper and more flexible transport options like buses were preferred – ultimately resulting in the closure of the tramway system in 1958.

Today, Whiteman Park is the only place in Western Australia where you can ride on a genuine heritage electric tram.



Frequently asked questions

When will works on the tram extension begin?

Works will begin in early-2024 and will be completed by December 2024 in line with the Morley-Ellenbrook Line Project.

How will the tram operate?

The Perth Electric Tramway Society already operates a regular tram service through Whiteman Park. It is anticipated that the tram will run a scheduled service to the new station on their operating days.

How will the project be funded?

The Tram Extension Project will be partly funded by METRONET with additional financial and in-kind support from industry representatives, including donations of material and labour.

Why is this project important?

Extension of the historic tramway will preserve this iconic piece of Perth history and provide a unique connection for local and international tourists to explore Whiteman Park.

What is the METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line Project?

The METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line comprises 21km of rail and five new stations built at Morley, Noranda, Malaga, Whiteman Park and Ellenbrook.

Where can I learn about the history of Perth trams?

Visit the Perth Electric Tramway Society website at www.pets.org.au

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