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CIMIC'S CPB CONTRACTORS TO DELIVER SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S TRAM GRADE SEPARATION PROJECTS

CIMIC Group company CPB Contractors has been selected by the Federal and the South Australian governments to deliver the Tram Grade Separation Projects, in an Alliance with McConnell Dowell, Mott MacDonald, ARUP and Aurecon.

Designed to improve safety, efficiency and the reliability of transport, the Tram Grade Separation Projects will also improve amenity, connectivity and liveability along the existing tram line from Adelaide's CBD to Glenelg. Also key to this project are modifications to the existing overpass at South Road, with these works required to facilitate construction of the highly anticipated River Torrens to Darlington Project.

The Tram Grade Separation Project will generate revenue of approximately \$212.8 million for CPB Contractors.

CIMIC Group Executive Chairman Juan Santamaria said: "These upgrades will be critical to supporting economic growth in South Australia and reducing travel times for motorists, buses, freight and airport traffic, while promoting sustainable urban growth and low emission, healthy transport choices for commuters.

"On completion, these works will foster a stronger sense of community between the suburbs of Adelaide, providing better, safer and more accessible tram stops with improved open spaces for the local people and visitors to enjoy."

CPB Contractors Managing Director Jason Spears said: "CPB Contractors looks forward to further growing our partnership with South Australia's Department for Infrastructure and Transport to safely deliver this important piece of infrastructure on time and on budget for the city of Adelaide.

"With over 40 years' experience delivering city and region-shaping infrastructure in South Australia, we look forward to furthering our legacy in providing local employment and training opportunities, with a focus on diversity. Our expert team will continue our commitment to ensuring that social and economic benefits are maximised for the communities in which we work by prioritising the engagement of local businesses and suppliers, including Indigenous-owned businesses and social enterprises."

The scope of work for the Tram Grade Separation Projects includes works at three main locations along the Glenelg Tram Line, works along the tram corridor, modifications of the existing tram overpass at South Road, replacement of the level crossings at Marion Road, Cross Road and Morphett Road with tram overpasses, intersection upgrades, tram depot upgrades at Glengowrie, and a temporary tram maintenance depot on Peacock Road on the edge of the CBD. The project will also comprise the installation of signalling upgrades along the tram corridor and the creation of new public spaces for the local communities.

Site investigations to inform planning are underway. Major construction will start in late 2024 and the level crossings will be removed by the end of 2025.

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