



**Shire OF  
Wiluna**



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## **Media Release**

### **Petition Outcome and Submission for Sealing the Goldfields Highway**

The Shire Presidents of Meekatharra and Wiluna continue to lobby the WA State Government to support the complete sealing of the remaining 124 km of unsealed road between Wiluna and Meekatharra. The condition of the unsealed road continues to deteriorate with vehicle accidents also an unfortunate regular occurrence.

Following the presentation of the final Petition to the WA Parliament Legislative Council Upper House by the Shire's of Meekatharra and Wiluna in early March this year that attracted 369 signatures, the Shire's were invited to make a formal written submission to support their Petition to the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs. This written submission was submitted in early April 2023. The submission will assist the Committee to understand the Shire's concerns and viewpoint and our reasons for making the petition.

The Shire's of Meekatharra and Wiluna are hopeful that the Committee will seek further information from the Shire's that may lead to a formal Inquiry. Should this occur then the Committee will table a report in the Legislative Council which may contain findings and recommendations from the Inquiry for further action to be taken by the government. The process is therefore intended that the Environment and Public Affairs Committee make recommendations for the government to seriously consider the sealing of the remaining section of the unsealed Goldfields Highway without delay.

Both Shire Presidents of Meekatharra and Wiluna are grateful to those persons who signed the petition in a show of support to the government for maintaining the safety standards of our regional road network by sealing the remainder of the Goldfields Highway.

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