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SOUTHERN CROSS DRIVE TO BE EXTENDED

The Stanhope Government will provide \$1.2 million in the 2007-08 ACT Budget for the extension of Southern Cross Drive.

Minister for Territory and Municipal Services John Hargreaves said that the Macgregor West - Southern Cross Drive Extension helped deliver on the Government's commitment to plan for the future growth of the city.

"Macgregor West is located on the western edge of Belconnen adjacent to Macgregor, south of Dunlop and north of the Woodhaven Green Golf Course," said Mr Hargreaves.

"The road hierarchy plan envisages the main access/egress to Macgregor West off the extension to Southern Cross Drive, forming a central loop road as a major collector serving the entire suburb.

"The project will see the design and construction of Southern Cross Drive Extension from the existing Southern Cross Drive to the southern entrance of the Macgregor West future estate (via the existing Parkwood Road).

"It also includes the associated intersection with Spofforth Street that will provide traffic access for the proposed residential development in Macgregor West.

"This project is a vital component of the Stanhope Government's continued planning for the future growth of our city.

"The ACT Government is putting in place critical infrastructure to support the growing population of Canberra."

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