

# Permanent Secretary for Development officiates at opening of Heung Yuen Wai Highway (with photos)

â€‹The Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Mr Lam Sai-hung, officiated at the Heung Yuen Wai Highway Opening Ceremony today (May 24). The Heung Yuen Wai Highway will open to the public at 8am on May 26.

With a total length of about 11 kilometres, the Heung Yuen Wai Highway connects the Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point, which is now under construction, to the Fanling Highway near Kau Lung Hang. With four interchanges along the highway, the Heung Yuen Wai Highway comprises the 4.8km Lung Shan Tunnel, the 0.7km Cheung Shan Tunnel and 5.5km of viaducts and at-grade roads. The Lung Shan Tunnel is the longest land road tunnel in Hong Kong.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, Mr Lam paid tribute to the project team for completing this major transport infrastructure by overcoming difficulties and challenges in the course of construction, and introducing state-of-the-art engineering technology to enhance efficiency in construction and minimise impacts on the environment.

He said that, upon the opening of the Heung Yuen Wai Highway, residents in North District and drivers may take this highway to reach the Fanling Highway for accessing Sheung Shui, Tai Po and Kowloon. The highway can improve the traffic in North District and, in particular, alleviate the busy traffic conditions in the area around Sha Tau Kok Road. The highway can greatly facilitate long-term economic and social development in North District.

With effect from May 26, the section of the Heung Yuen Wai Highway between the Fanling Highway Interchange and the Lin Ma Hang Road Interchange will be open to the public. Upon completion of the Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point, the highway will seamlessly connect the boundary control point, providing efficient cross-boundary access between Hong Kong and eastern Shenzhen, Huizhou and eastern Guangdong, enhancing the "one-hour living circle" in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. For the details and driving guide of the Heung Yuen Wai Highway, please refer to [www.hywh.hk](http://www.hywh.hk).

Other officiating guests included the Director of Civil Engineering and Development, Mr Ricky Lau, and the Commissioner for Transport, Ms Mable Chan.

