No emergency lane? No problem.

When a vehicle stops on our Smart Freeway, it will be detected within minutes. If necessary, immediate action will be taken to adjust speeds, close lanes and deploy Incident Response Vehicles, which are on standby 24/7.

See over for details or visit SmartFreeways.wa.gov.au
What to do in an emergency on Perth’s Smart Freeway

To reduce congestion and keep traffic moving smoothly on our Smart Freeway, we’ve converted the emergency lane into a fourth running lane, northbound between Canning Highway and the Narrows. This is similar to how the Graham Farmer Freeway tunnel operates.

What if I break down?
If you’re having mechanical issues or are involved in a minor crash, carefully drive your vehicle to one of the signed emergency stopping bays. There are six located along the Smart Freeway, at an average of 630m apart, or every 25 seconds.

What if I can’t get to an emergency bay?
Perth’s new Smart Freeway is monitored 24/7 by our Road Network Operations Centre, so if something happens you will be seen. If you can’t get to an emergency bay, stay in your vehicle, turn your hazard lights on and keep your seat belt fastened while you wait for the Incident Response team to arrive.

Your safety is the most important thing so do not try to run across lanes or jump the safety barriers
Remember, our Operations Centre is constantly monitoring the freeway, so whether you enter a bay or stop on the freeway itself, you will be seen and our people can change the electronic signs to slow the traffic around you till help arrives.
You can also call us anytime on 138 138 and speak to one of our operators or, if you’re in an emergency bay, you can use the bay’s help phone to call us.
To find out more about Smart Freeways and how they work, visit SmartFreeways.wa.gov.au