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Sweco to modernise A96 road in Scotland

Sweco has been commissioned by Transport Scotland to carry out route option assessment and detailed design work for the upgrade of the A96 road in Scotland. These improvements will lead to reduced journey time and better road safety. With an order value of approximately GBP 25 million, it is Sweco's largest transportation project in the UK to date.

- Our focus will be to secure our customer's demand for in-depth planning and design that will provide better journey time reliability and road safety for all users, says Max Joy, Managing Director of Sweco UK.

Under the project, Sweco will design the dualling of a 46 kilometres stretch between the villages of Hardmuir and Fochabers in Scotland. There will be a number of grade separated junctions along the length of the new road where bypasses are created for a number of local communities. There will also be crossings of three major rivers as well as a rail line.

The project is part of the plan to modernise the entire A96 by 2030, a 160 kilometres trunk road that links the cities of Inverness and Aberdeen.

Sweco holds extensive experience in large infrastructure projects throughout Europe and has previously been commissioned for upgrading for example the A1 in the UK, the ring road of Belgian Antwerp and the E6 motorway in Norway.

Sweco's work will begin this summer and continue until the dualling of this section of the A96 is complete. The project will be delivered in a joint venture.

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