

14 Economic analysis

The comparative strategic cost of the four options are outlined in Table 29.

Table 29 - Strategic cost comparison

<i>Option</i>	<i>Estimated total costs (including contingency)</i>
A	\$ Base Case
B	\$ 1.1 x Base Case
C	\$ 1.6 x Base Case
D	\$ 2.1 x Base Case

Note:

- Cost comparison is in 2012 dollars.

Project costs include:

- Contingency.
- Concept development costs.
- Detailed design and documentation costs.
- Utility adjustment costs.
- Infrastructure construction costs.
- Handover costs.

As part of the option assessment process a more detailed cost benefit analysis will be undertaken to assist in the determination of a preferred option.