Removing 50 dangerous and congested level crossings will transform the way people live, work and travel across metropolitan Melbourne and improve safety for drivers and pedestrians.

Managing traffic disruption during construction

The Victorian Government is upgrading Thompsons Road to improve connectivity in Melbourne’s south east and create safer journeys for commuters.

Stage One of the project includes an upgrade from Marriott Boulevard to the South Gippsland Highway to three lanes in each direction and removal of the dangerous and congested level crossing forever.

Construction is now underway and we are working hard to minimise disruption as much as we can during this time. We will be keeping Thompsons Road open during peak periods, however, we have had to reduce the speed limit to ensure the safety of you and our workers.

Traffic conditions will progressively change and we ask that you be alert, be patient and pay close attention to road signage. Where possible, plan your journey in advance and allow a little more travelling time.

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Traffic management during construction

We have prepared a traffic management plan for every stage of the Thompsons Road Upgrade. These plans consider existing road conditions, speed limits, traffic volumes, public transport and close-by developments or activities, to determine the best way to manage traffic. The key focus of all traffic management is the safety of road users, the wider community and our workers.

Traffic management will vary depending on the location and complexity of our construction activity. Traffic management measures may include:

• installation of safety barriers to separate the construction zone from traffic
• reducing speed limits to undertake construction work safely
• installation of road signage
• temporary lane closures.

We aim to minimise inconvenience by:

• scheduling activities outside of peak times when possible
• minimising duration of temporary road/lane closures wherever possible.

Communicating traffic changes

Wherever possible, we’ll provide advanced notice about traffic changes to the community in a number of ways, including:

• electronic message signs on Thompsons Road and local roads
• letters delivered to local residents
• information on our VicRoads website (search: Thompsons Road Upgrade)
• notices on social media including the @victraffic Twitter account or the VicTraffic app
• email notifications to stakeholders and road user groups
• advertisements in local newspapers and on radio.

We will also continue to speak with key stakeholder groups such as Public Transport Victoria, local emergency services, local Members of Parliament, and councils.

Communicating construction activities

We will notify potentially affected residents well in advance through direct updates via letterbox drops and door-knocks.

We are also in regular contact with Council officers and local interest groups.

Contact us

If you have any issues with noise or vibration levels during construction, please contact us on 1800 807 561 or via email at ThompsonsRoadUpgrade@bmd.com.au