LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL UPDATE

KOROROIT CREEK ROAD
WILLIAMSTOWN NORTH
AUGUST 2018

Trains now running over Kororoit Creek Road

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While train commuters were on buses, the project team installed 40 bridge beams, each weighing up to 125 tonnes. The beams were then joined to form dual rail bridges over the road, to allow traffic to flow freely underneath - boom gates gone and no more waiting!

Works coming up

Although the main works are complete, there are still a few things we need to do. In September, we will be removing the old tracks and resurfacing the road underneath the rail bridge. These works will take place overnight, and will involve a temporary closure of Kororoit Creek Road and some short rail closures.

In the coming months we will also be completing landscaping, lighting, footpaths and the installation of the architectural finishes to the bridge structures.

Thanks for your patience

A huge thank you to everyone who has been inconvenienced during these major works. Whether you’re a road user, train commuter, local resident, business operator or someone passing through, we greatly appreciate your patience and understanding while we completed these important improvements to the transport network.

17 replacement buses ran continually on the Altona Loop for 37 days.

Around 126,000 passenger trips travelled on the replacement buses.

More than 285,000 kilometres covered by replacement buses.

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WHILE YOU WERE ON THE BUS...

**Week 1**
- Last train ran through level crossing
- Boom gates removed
- First bridge beam lifted over Kororoit Creek Road

**Week 2**
- Installation of vertical concrete columns and foundations to support the rail bridges

**Week 3**
- Final bridge beam lifted in place to complete both rail bridges
- Installation of overhead structures that power the trains

**Week 4**
- Sleepers and rail tracks installed
- Overhead wiring works continued
- Drivers trained to operate trains over new rail bridge
- Test train ran on the new rail bridges

**Week 5**
- Major works ended six days ahead of schedule
- First passenger trains ran over new U-trough rail bridges
- Services resumed as normal

**Major works completed**

**Doing construction cleaner**

While the team at the Kororoit Creek Road Level Crossing Removal Project have been meeting major construction milestones, the project has also achieved great things in the sustainability space.

Throughout construction, a big focus was placed on reducing materials, waste and energy consumption. More than 90 per cent of construction waste, and more than 40 per cent of office waste has been diverted from landfill. This was achieved by having each skip on site sent to a sorting facility to group materials such as metals, timber and plastic so that more was recycled and less sent to landfill.

We are also proud of our commitment to social sustainability, having implemented several initiatives aimed at giving back to the local community. One of these initiatives includes supporting Backpacks 4 VIC Kids, a charity providing valuable assistance to children through fundraising efforts such as project team BBQs, morning teas and provision of storage space for the charity’s goods.

187,000 kg of CO₂ emissions saved, equivalent to a car travelling 7000km

300,000 litres of site water recycled, enough to fill around 3000 bathtubs
COMING UP AT KOROROIT CREEK ROAD

With the boom gates gone and major construction works wrapped up, we’re now completing the finishing touches to the area.

We will soon start pavement works on the footpaths along Kororoit Creek and Racecourse Roads, and landscaping works in the open space underneath the new rail bridges. Spanning from the corner of Racecourse Road to the full length of the rail bridge, the open space will feature improved vegetation and pathways. We will also install lighting and complete other minor works between now and the end of the year.

We’re looking forward to showing off the brand new space when the project is completed and will be holding a celebration event to mark this project milestone. Watch this space for more details.

Next in the west

Now that major works have been completed at Kororoit Creek Road, we are excited to get started on our next projects in the west.

Following community feedback from consultation undertaken in March, the final design for the Aviation Road level crossing removal is on track to be announced in the coming months. Once announced, early works are expected to begin by the end of 2018.

Level crossings at Werribee and Cherry streets in Werribee and Ferguson Street in Williamstown are also scheduled to be removed by 2022. These projects are in the early stages of planning. We will consult with the community on design options ahead of construction starting.