

# SOUTH ROAD UPGRADE

NOVEMBER 2021

# Managing construction impacts

We're upgrading five key intersections along South Road to reduce bottlenecks, improve traffic flow and make your journey safer and more reliable.

We'll be undertaking works along South Road between Warrigal Road and Nepean Highway, with construction starting in November 2021.

Construction projects sometimes involve noise, vibration, and other disruptive activities. We'll do our best to keep these impacts to a minimum.

## Managing noise

While we build the South Road Upgrade, you may sometimes notice an increase in noise levels.

Noise from construction activities varies depending on the type of activity being undertaken. Some of the main sources of noise during construction include heavy machinery such as excavators, trucks, generators, and power tools. Before we start, we'll assess the existing noise levels and complete noise assessments, which allow us to plan our works in a way that minimises disruption to residents, businesses and the wider community.

## Managing vibration

If you live or work near one of our construction sites, you may at times feel some vibration in your home or office.

Typically, the vibration you may feel will be well below the levels that can cause changes in the condition of your property.

We'll assess equipment before works start to make sure vibration levels are below prescribed limits and won't affect nearby residential homes and commercial buildings. Before we start construction, you'll be offered a free, independent assessment to document the current condition of your property.

We'll also monitor vibration levels during our works to ensure we're continually under the prescribed limits and stop well before there is risk of any structural damage to nearby properties.

## Health and safety

Works on the South Road Upgrade are progressing with COVID-safe plans in place to keep the community and our workers safe.

For more information and advice about the coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit **coronavirus.vic.gov.au** 



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# Managing impacts from noise and vibration

To maximise traffic movement and reduce delays, we'll often work at night and on weekends. We'll let nearby residents and businesses know in advance of any out-of-hours construction and work with them to minimise impacts.

We'll do our best to minimise noise and vibration impacts by:

- Scheduling noisy activities during the day or early in the evening
- Regularly reviewing our construction methods
- Monitoring noise and vibration during works and applying additional controls where needed
- Fitting machinery with noise-reducing technology
- Adding acoustic enclosures around construction sites to prevent noise leakage
- Turning equipment off when not in use
- Training our work crews in noise-reducing behaviours.

If you are affected by noise or vibration during construction and would like to discuss this with the Project Team, please call us on **1800 105 105** while the noise or vibration is happening.

We'll provide you with more information about the works we're doing and determine whether we can make some changes to minimise your discomfort.

#### Keeping our worksites tidy

We'll keep our construction zones tidy and dispose of all rubbish appropriately and responsibly, whether it's large volumes of construction material, soil, or lunch wrappers.

Our crews will take great care to ensure waste is recycled or reused where possible, with landfill being the last option.

In areas where we've set up temporary construction support sites, we'll ensure these are reinstated to their previous or similar condition.

#### Property condition surveys

Before we start works, we'll engage a qualified independent specialist to conduct a cost-free property condition survey on properties located within 50 metres of major construction activities.

Property condition surveys have been undertaken in Victoria for many years and document the condition of a property either prior to construction starting or at a subsequent point in time.

While our construction methods are designed to minimise impacts on nearby properties, the survey provides a useful reference should you believe your property has experienced any negative effects from construction works.

If you have received a letter regarding a property condition survey, please follow the instructions listed on the letter to organise the inspection should you wish to have one.

If you have not received a letter and believe you are eligible, please phone us on **1800 105 105** or contact us via **roadprojects.vic.gov.au/contact** 



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