



MAY 2022

Calder Park Drive Interchange

Community Consultation Summary

CALDER PARK DRIVE INTERCHANGE

We're planning potential improvements to the Calder Freeway transport corridor, including investigating a new Calder Park Drive Interchange to improve access on and off the Calder Freeway.

This includes planning for:

- potential construction of a new freeway interchange at Calder Park Drive over the Calder Freeway
- potential speed limit increases along Calder Park Drive and the Calder Freeway
- potential walking and cycling paths along Calder Park Drive
- potential safety improvements to Calder Freeway, including relocating existing entrance points in the area
- potential improvements to Calder Park Drive, including adding additional lanes and upgrading intersections to improve traffic flow and safety in the area.

CONSULTATION

26 NOV — 14 DEC 2021

To help inform our planning, we asked the community how they currently use the road network.

We thank everyone who took the time to provide feedback, via our online survey, interactive map, question tool or at our pop-up stand at Watergardens Shopping Centre.

507

Surveys completed

71%

of respondents use the Calder Freeway daily

24%

of respondents use the Calder Freeway weekly

32

Pins placed on our interactive map

3382

Views of the Engage Victoria web page

186K

Reached by social media advertising

WHAT WE HEARD

Feedback has provided important local insights, including community views on access, efficiency, safety, environmental values and what's important to you in your local area.

"Congestion is out of control, especially during school times."

"To head south you need to enter fast moving traffic twice."

"Make a safe interchange like Kings Road freeway entry/exit will assist with safety and provide better traffic flow."

"It backs up onto the Calder, therefore jamming traffic along the Calder Highway possibly causing accidents and there have been a few."

"Dangerous U-turn, and very few willing to allow you to merge."

"Development is inevitable, but it must be appropriate and take into account community, cultural and environmental concerns."

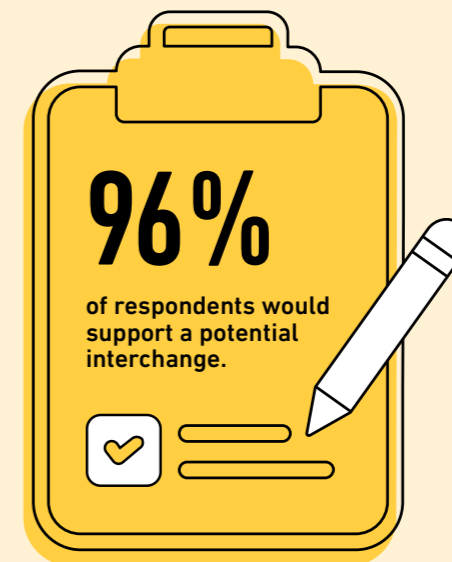
"So many cars (use Calder Park Drive) and it's only single lane, there is so much room, it should have been made dual lane in both directions years ago."



KEY THEMES

Community survey

- **88%** of respondents would use a potential interchange
- Safety (**87%**), traffic flow (**77%**) and congestion (**65%**) are the top three concerns
- Nearly **75%** of respondents use the Calder Freeway daily, or weekly (**24%**) with **91%** typically travelling southbound and **73%** travelling northbound
- Respondents typically experience delays when travelling on the Calder Freeway during the morning peak 7am to 9am (**77%**) and evening peak 5pm to 6pm (**67%**), as well as in the mid-afternoon 2pm to 5pm (**48%**)
- **36%** of respondents walk and cycle through the area with **51%** of those only doing so occasionally
- Many respondents highlighted the lack of connections, especially to Organs Pipes National Park and limited lighting as reasons why they don't feel safe using the existing walking and cycling paths
- **76%** would like to see replanting of trees and shrubs along the roadside incorporated into the design, as well as attention given to minimising noise (**53%**) and minimising vegetation removal (**31%**)



KEY THEMES

Interactive map

Requests for additional lanes to increase capacity along Calder Park Drive and allow for increased speed limits.

Requests for improved lighting along the freeway and Calder Park Drive.

Desire to see connections between Calder Park Drive and the Calder Freeway improved, including suggestions for improved safety, with longer exit ramps to allow for safer merging.

Requests to widen the freeway to enable 100km/hr speed limit.

Desire for an off-road shared use path between Kings Road and Organ Pipes National Park.

Desire for Calder Park Drive to have dual lanes northbound and southbound.

WHAT'S NEXT

Feedback is being used to inform our planning and shape the development of design options.

A Business Case is currently being developed and is anticipated to be finalised in 2022. Timelines and milestones will be determined through this planning work.

We will continue to provide the community with updates and information as planning progresses.

PLANNING TIMELINE

- **Current**
 - Technical investigations to better understand the area
 - Develop a Business Case
- **26 Nov — 14 Dec 2021**
 - Community Engagement
- **2022**
 - Finalise the Business Case

CONTACT US

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