

Scope Summary



Melbourne Airport Rail is a transformational public transport project connecting Melbourne Airport with a rail service for the first time.

The Australian and Victorian governments have committed up to \$5 billion each to deliver Melbourne Airport Rail, which will connect Victoria's entire regional and metropolitan rail network to the airport and support up to 8,000 jobs during construction

We are delivering a rail service that connects people from the airport to where they need to go — be that work, home or Victoria's major regional centres.

Airport trains will run through the Metro Tunnel, providing passengers with a 10-minute turn-up-and-go service from Melbourne Airport and an under 30-minute continuous journey into the CBD.

Thirty stations will have direct access to Melbourne Airport without changing trains, with passengers from all other metropolitan stations only needing to change once.

Project timeline



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Melbourne Airport Rail

A new premium station at Melbourne Airport



The new train station at Melbourne Airport will provide easy access between the train and all airport terminals.

New bridge over the Maribyrnong River



At 383m in length and 55m high, the Maribyrnong River Bridge is the second highest bridge in Victoria after the West Gate Bridge.

Planning is underway for a second rail bridge over the Maribyrnong River, to stand alongside the existing bridge.

Sunshine Station



Sunshine Station will become a key interchange for Melbourne Airport Rail services, connecting to growth areas in Melbourne's north and west, and regional Victoria.

Direct access from Melbourne's south-east



The Cranbourne / Pakenham lines will have direct access to Melbourne Airport.

Twin tracks next to the Albion-Jacana line



As part of Melbourne Airport Rail, new twin tracks will be built next to the existing Albion-Jacana rail tracks between Albion and Airport West.

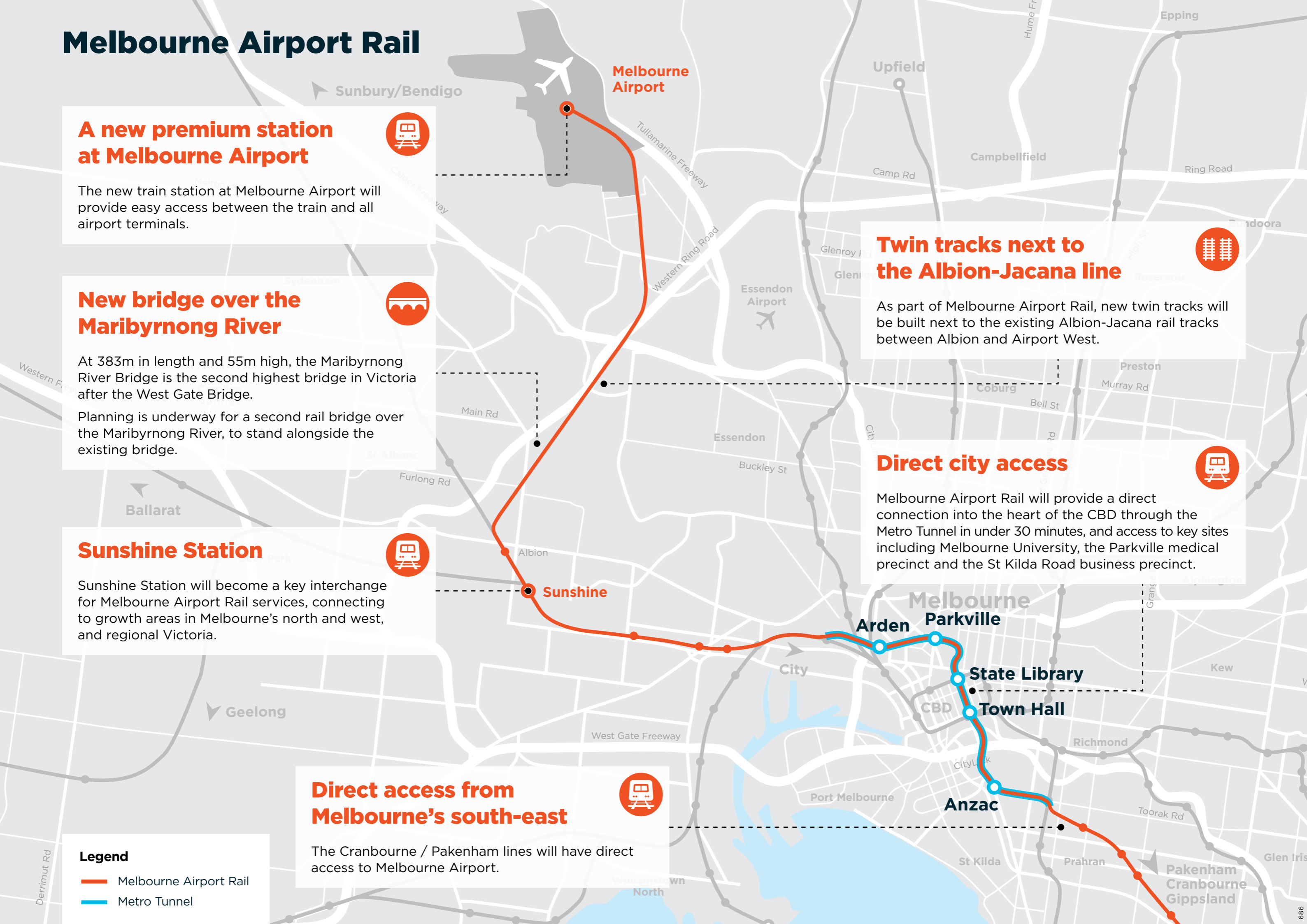
Direct city access



Melbourne Airport Rail will provide a direct connection into the heart of the CBD through the Metro Tunnel in under 30 minutes, and access to key sites including Melbourne University, the Parkville medical precinct and the St Kilda Road business precinct.

Legend

- Melbourne Airport Rail
- Metro Tunnel



Constructing Melbourne Airport Rail

Building Melbourne Airport Rail will be a massive job working in a complex rail environment. As with any major infrastructure project, surrounding communities may experience impacts during construction.

Major construction will take place between Sunshine and Melbourne Airport and along the existing Albion-Jacana rail corridor including:

- laying kilometres of new tracks and ballast (crushed rock)
- realigning existing tracks
- changes to stations
- signalling infrastructure upgrades
- building bridges and elevated structures in some areas
- utility relocations
- construction access roads, fencing and vegetation clearing.



Further information on potential construction impacts will be communicated as planning and design for the project progresses.

We are committed to working together to minimise disruption for local residents, businesses and rail passengers as much as possible.

Planning approvals and environmental matters

As we build Melbourne Airport Rail there may be some impacts on the environment and future land use which will need to be carefully managed. It is anticipated a range of state and federal planning and environmental approvals will be required for the project.

Site investigations and assessments are underway to consider the potential environmental impacts of Melbourne Airport Rail. These assessments cover areas including ecology, soil and ground conditions, traffic and transport impacts, heritage as well as land use and visual impacts associated with the new rail infrastructure.

This work will guide the development of mitigation and management measures and inform any subsequent approvals or conditions on the project. This information, along with inputs from the community and stakeholders, will help us shape the design and construction of Melbourne Airport Rail.



More information

To find out more about Melbourne Airport Rail:

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