



Image above: Western Port Highway and Cranbourne-Frankston Road intersection



WESTERN PORT HIGHWAY

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Project Overview

We're upgrading two intersections along Western Port Highway to ease congestion and make your journey more reliable.

The project will upgrade the intersections at Ballarto Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road by:

- removing the existing roundabouts
- installing traffic lights
- widening the intersection and adding dedicated right-turn lanes and left-turn slip lanes to improve traffic flow.

Project benefits

The project will improve journeys along Western Port Highway by easing congestion at key intersections.

Together with the intersection upgrade at Thompsons Road in 2019, and the upgrade at Hall Road planned to start in 2022, the Western Port Highway Upgrade will ease congestion and improve traffic flow along Western Port Highway.

Once complete, the Western Port Highway Upgrade will:

- enable the four sets of lights on Western Port Highway between Thompsons Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road to be sequenced, improving traffic flow and providing more reliable travel times for locals and the broader community
- improve freight movements along Western Port Highway, which is a principal freight network within Victoria
- better manage the flow of traffic on and off the highway.



Better traffic flow – Easing congestion and improving travel times



Greater journey reliability – Sequencing of traffic lights will help make travel times more reliable



Support freight movements – Over 1,500 heavy vehicles travel the section of Western Port Highway between Ballarto Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road each day

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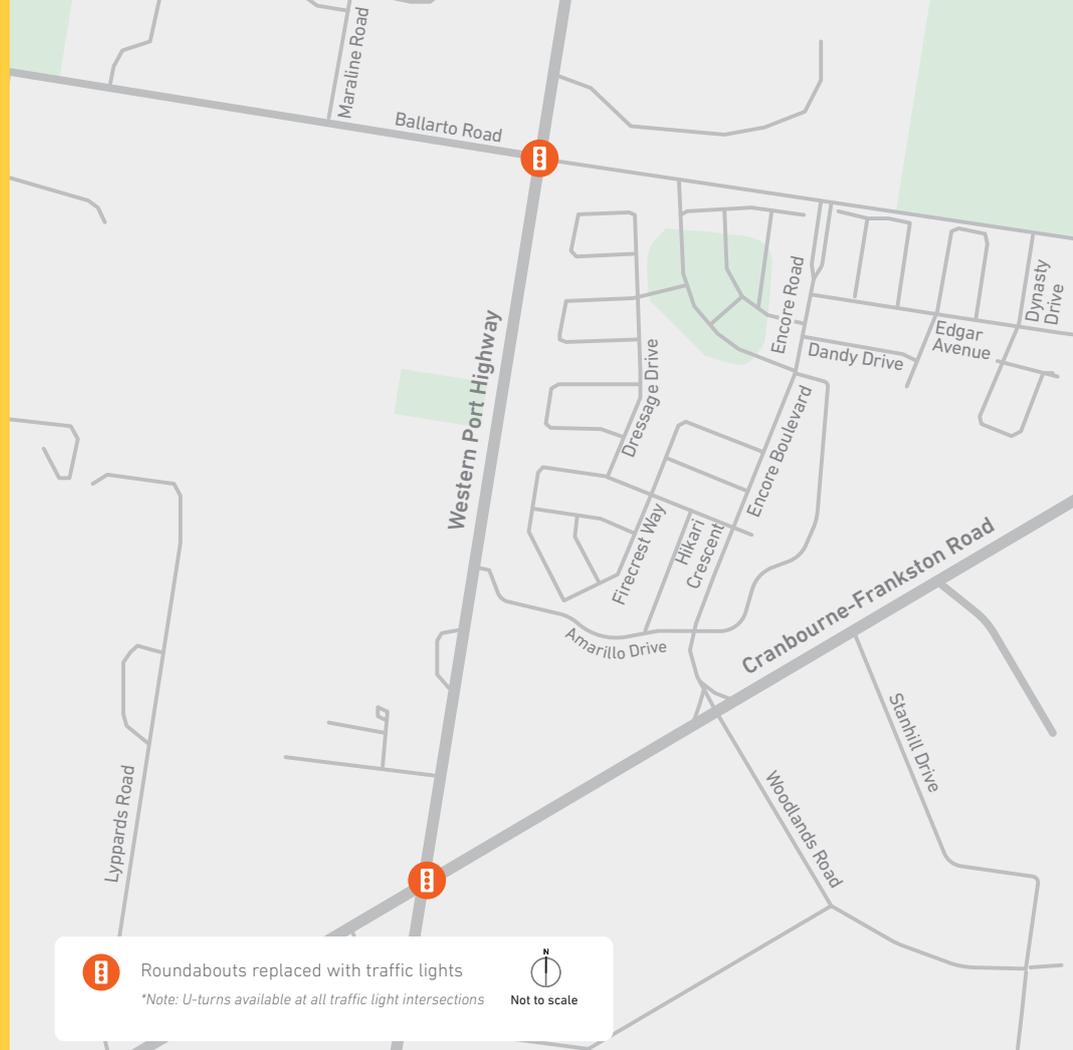


Ballarto Road

We'll add capacity at the intersection by providing additional through lanes, right-turn lanes and a left-hand slip lane at all approaches of the intersection. This will manage traffic on and off the highway and improve journey reliability.

Cranbourne-Frankston Road

We'll build additional through lanes, right-turn lanes and a left-hand slip lane at all approaches of this intersection to improve traffic flow and access to nearby growing suburbs.



Why are we making these changes?

- An average of 25,000 vehicles travel along Western Port Highway every day, which is expected to increase to 28,000 by 2036
- These roundabouts have reached their capacity and during peak periods, road users can experience delays of up to 10 minutes. These upgrades will provide more reliable travel times in the area
- From 2015–2019, there were 29 crashes along this section of Western Port Highway, with seven of those resulting in serious injuries
- Installing traffic lights will ease congestion and lead to less risky driver behaviour on the road.

We know that traffic congestion is an issue in the area. The Western Port Highway Upgrade will create more capacity at these two key intersections, improving traffic flow while supporting potential future upgrades.



Image right: Ballarto Road and Western Port Highway roundabout

Works timeline

- **Oct 2018**
 - Project announced
- **Early 2019 to late 2021**
 - Site investigations and project development
- **March 2021**
 - Consultation on the project design
- **February 2022**
 - Contract awarded
- **March 2022**
 - Construction starts
- **Late 2022**
 - Project complete

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