

CAMMS ROAD, CRANBOURNE

CAMMS ROAD VEGETATION REMOVAL FACT SHEET



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The Victorian Government is investing more than \$1 billion to duplicate the Cranbourne line, remove four level crossings including Camms Road and build a new Merinda Park Station – improving safety, reducing congestion and allowing for more trains, more often.

Early works are underway at Camms Road. To allow construction of the new road bridge, some tree and vegetation removal is required along Camms Road, Fairfield Street and Sharpe Street.

This work will happen in two stages over the coming months. Stage one will start in March with vegetation clearing and removal on Fairfield Street to set up our site compound.

Stage two will take place in mid 2022 when major works begin, to construct the new road bridge.

Throughout community consultation we heard how important green spaces are to the Cranbourne community.

As part of the project, we'll be planting around 300 trees and shrubs within the project area.

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Managing tree and vegetation removal

We heard how important trees and vegetation are to the local community and every effort has been made to minimise the impact of our works on local vegetation.

We work with arborists, environmental and sustainability specialists across all of our projects to minimise vegetation removal and manage the impacts on flora and fauna.

How many trees are you removing?

Around 14 trees will be removed on Camms Road, Fairfield Street and Sharpe Street in order to construct the new road bridge and accompanying infrastructure.

How many trees will be planted for the project?

About 300 trees and shrubs will be planted as part of the project.

Landscaping plans are still being finalised in consultation with key stakeholders such as local council. More information will be available soon.

Protecting existing vegetation

We'll establish tree protection zones to protect high value trees during the construction phase.

We'll use 'no-go zones' to protect vegetation, habitat zones, heritage sites and waterways from the impacts of construction.

What happens to removed trees and vegetation?

Where possible, mulch will be used on site and donated to local community groups.

How did the project team determine which trees will be removed?

A qualified ecologist was commissioned to conduct a biodiversity assessment to inform the initial design. This helped identify the extent and type of vegetation within the project area and inform key design considerations to minimise impacts on vegetation.

An independent arborist assessment during the detailed design phase helped guide this process, identifying the ecological and local significance of the trees within the project area.

This assessment helped us identify which trees pose a hazard to road and rail operations. Understanding root systems and health of trees is also crucial to identifying what trees can be retained and protected.

All trees and vegetation being removed are directly impacted by new infrastructure.

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