

## **Sustainability Policy**

## "Sustainably delivering infrastructure to improve people's lives"

We will work with our team and supply chain to increase awareness of sustainable development outcomes and manage continual improvement to leave a positive project legacy.

**Reducing resources** through the delivery of these works to drive efficiencies both within the construction and operation of this project. We will achieve the following outcomes of this project through independent verification:

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by a minimum of 5%
- Minimise waste generated by the project and recycle a minimum of 50% of construction and demolition waste
- Reduce water consumption across the infrastructure lifecycle by at least 10%
- Utilise materials with high recycled content and optimize the design to reduce the embodied environmental impact by a minimum of 5%

**Community impacts** of construction works, and operational outcomes, will be managed and minimised through regular and meaningful engagements on aspects that may enhance community health and wellbeing and heritage values. The Urban Design for the program will be independently reviewed to ensure best practice outcomes are delivered.

The assets we leave will be resilient to future impacts of climate change by being informed by models of climate change projections, assessing direct and indirect climate risks using a multidisciplinary team and treating all high or extreme risks and by treating 25-50% of all medium risks.

**Our Supply Chain** used by this Alliance will build local skills, suppliers, social enterprises and environmentally responsible product options. To achieve this the Alliance will:

- Mandate a minimum local content of 93% for all permanent works
- Apply the Victorian Government Major Project Skills Guarantee to create employment opportunities for apprentices, trainees and cadets.
- Maximise social and community benefits, including procurement through aboriginal businesses and social enterprises, developing workforce capability and increasing capacity of priority and disadvantaged groups

Governance of the sustainability outcomes will be demonstrated by the Alliance through the achievement of a certified minimum IS Version 1.2 Rating of Excellent with the Infrastructure Sustainability Council of Australia for the program. All major works will be undertaken by contractors that have that have accreditation to ISO14001 (Environment), ISO 9001 (Quality) and AS/NZS 4801 (OH&S) and who regularly monitor their performance.

To enhance sustainability outcomes the Alliance will:

- Enhance the local environment, habitat & vegetation values to ensure we leave a positive legacy
- Support and enhance economic prosperity, social, cultural and community wellbeing
- Enhance the health and quality of life of inhabitants and the sustainability of the built environment
- Enhance heritage values
- Commit to continuously improving sustainability outcomes

We will adopt an organisational structure that includes senior leadership responsibility and accountability to the achievement of the above objectives. We will undertake regular sustainability reviews and audits to verify our level of sustainability performance.

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Level Crossing Removal Project - Southern Program Alliance