



**SUBURBAN  
RAIL LOOP  
EAST**



## Early Works at Cheltenham

Suburban Rail Loop (SRL) is a city and State-shaping project that will transform Victoria's public transport system, connecting our suburbs and making travel easier and more convenient.

SRL East will connect our growing health, education, retail and employment precincts in Melbourne's east and south east between Cheltenham and Box Hill.

The new underground station at Cheltenham will be the southern gateway to the network, providing faster and more convenient public transport to key destinations across Melbourne's suburbs.

Passengers will be able to interchange on and off the Frankston line, with Southland Shopping Centre and the thriving Bayside community all within easy access.

Before we start major construction on the tunnels and stations for SRL East, we are undertaking preparatory works at each of the sites from Cheltenham to Box Hill.





## What are Early Works?

Early Works involve activities such as utility relocations and site establishment.

These works help prepare areas for major works while minimising the impact on the local community, businesses and road users during the Main Works.

The Initial and Early Works package is being delivered by Managing Contractor, Laing O'Rourke. Only Early Works are planned to be undertaken at Cheltenham.

## SRL East Project Timeline

### November 2021 – May 2022

Environment Effects Statement (EES) consultation including Early Works

### September 2022

Early Works approved

### 2022

Initial and Early Works package starts

### 2025

Initial and Early Works finish

### 2027

Main Works start in Cheltenham

## Early Works to be undertaken at Cheltenham

Planned works	What the works involve
<b>Site establishment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Establish temporary site facilities for project staff, lay down areas for construction materials and prepare the site for Main Works to begin</li><li>– Activities include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traffic barrier and fencing installation</li><li>• Tree and vegetation removal</li><li>• Hazardous material removal (if required)</li><li>• Excavation and earthworks to clear and level the area</li><li>• Drainage installation</li><li>• Site demolition and clearance.</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Site investigations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Obtaining information about the existing ground conditions and identifying the location of utility services. This data helps inform project planning and construction methods.</li></ul>
<b>Utility relocations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Relocating underground utilities including power, telecommunications, gas and water to make way for excavation of the underground station.</li></ul>

## Planning approvals

Early Works were approved following the Minister's assessment of the EES. These approvals include a planning scheme amendment, project area designation and cultural heritage management plans.

## Managing impacts

As with any major infrastructure project, surrounding residents and businesses may experience some disruption during project works.

The project is committed to minimising and managing disruption for local residents, businesses and communities as much as possible. However, we do anticipate some potential impacts including:

- Changes to traffic conditions for drivers (including temporary speed reductions and lane closures), cyclists and pedestrians
- Some noise, vibration and dust from construction activities, machinery and vehicles
- Removal of vegetation and trees, where required
- Potential short-term impacts to driveway access and on-street car parking.

Before works start, we will notify and engage with residents and businesses about activities planned in their area, what to expect and how any disruptions will be managed.

## Your questions answered

### Will you notify the community about these works?

We will notify local residents and businesses about what to expect and how disruptions will be managed using works notifications, signage, advertising and notices on our website, social media channels and email newsletters.

### Will there be traffic impacts?

Yes, some works will require changes to traffic conditions. We will notify the local community ahead of these changes. Traffic management and speed reductions will be in place where required.

### Will homes and businesses be affected during the works?

Access to all residential properties and businesses will be maintained wherever possible throughout works.

We will work with residents and businesses ahead of works commencing to mitigate any impacts.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we progress the delivery of SRL East and a new underground station at Cheltenham



To receive SRL East works reminders via **SMS** simply text **CHELtenham** to **0429 469 592**

## More information

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