

BRIDGE INN ROAD UPGRADE

DECEMBER 2023 / JANUARY 2024



We're upgrading Bridge Inn Road between Plenty and Yan Yean roads to help you get home safer and sooner.

What's been happening

Since our last update, we've:

- moved all traffic onto the new westbound lanes of Bridge Inn Road between Resort Boulevard and Garden Road
- started upgrading the intersections at Cookes Road, Bassetts Road and Vantage Point Boulevard
- installed over two kilometres of new overhead powerlines.

Image: Major works continue on the Bridge Inn Road Upgrade.

Holiday shutdown

We'll be taking a break over the December and January holiday period and pausing construction from Friday 22 December until Wednesday 10 January 2024. We'll be undertaking regular inspections during this period.

We wish you a safe and happy holiday season and thank you for your continued patience.



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New bridge over the Plenty River

In late December, we'll move traffic between the Plenty River bridge and Bassetts Road onto the new westbound lanes.

We'll keep one lane open in each direction while we upgrade the existing lanes. Refer to the map on the right for more information.

We'll also permanently change access to Towerhill Avenue to left in, left out only.

There's still some work left to do on the bridge before it's fully opened to traffic in 2024.

The remaining works include assessing the structure of the existing bluestone bridge, and removing the existing pavement to convert the bluestone bridge to a shared walking and cycling path.

Image: Works progress to build the new bridge over Plenty River.



Did you know?

- The existing bluestone bridge over Plenty River is 155 years old.
- Over 2000m³ of concrete was poured to create the new bridge deck, which is enough concrete to fill an Olympic-sized swimming pool.

Bassetts Road reopening for summer

We're reopening Bassetts Road at Bridge Inn Road prior to Christmas.

The intersection will operate with temporary give way signage in place until the permanent traffic lights are switched on in March 2024, when Vantage Point Boulevard reopens.

We've still got some minor finishing works to complete in the new year. We'll close the intersection again in early 2024 for a few weeks to build the remaining kerbs and traffic islands.

Refer to the map (bottom right) for more information.

Bassetts Road and Vantage Point Boulevard update

We've been working to upgrade Bassetts Road and Vantage Point Boulevard at Bridge Inn Road.

Our progress to date

- Installed over 70 meters of new drainage
- Excavated to formation level
- Install new traffic signals
- Build up the layers of the road
- Reinstate the bus stop at Vantage Point Boulevard and Bridge Inn Road
- Install new kerbs
- Lay new asphalt
- Complete line marking



What's happening in 2024

In 2024, we'll:

- complete Bassetts Road and Vantage Point Boulevard intersection upgrades
- upgrade Cookes Road intersection
- upgrade Painted Hills Road intersection
- install traffic lights at Garden Road
- finalise upgrades at Schotters Road and Mernda railway station
- convert the existing bluestone bridge over Plenty River to a shared walking and cycling path.



Artist's impression of the new bridge over Plenty River. Subject to change.



Bridge Inn-terests RMIT students

Last month, twenty lucky Civil Engineering students from the RMIT City Campus spent a day on site at the Bridge Inn Road Upgrade, to get an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at what it's like to work on one of Victoria's Big Build projects. The students learnt about the design and construction process for the new bridge over Plenty River and also about careers in construction.

RMIT Students at the Bridge Inn Road Upgrade site.

Stay informed

We'll continue to send you regular updates to let you know about upcoming works.

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Construction impacts

Our construction activities may generate varying levels of noise, dust and vibration at times. We'll have measures in place to ensure these impacts are minimised.

Most our works will take place between **7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday and 7am to 5pm, Saturdays**. The progress of our works will depend on weather and ground conditions.

There will be intermittent lane closures on Bridge Inn Road over the next few months. When we need to work at night, we'll let you know ahead of time.

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of our project team, please call **1800 105 105** and select **option 5**. You can also send us a message by visiting bigbuild.vic.gov.au/contact.

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