





## End of Tunnelling for first West Gate Tunnel

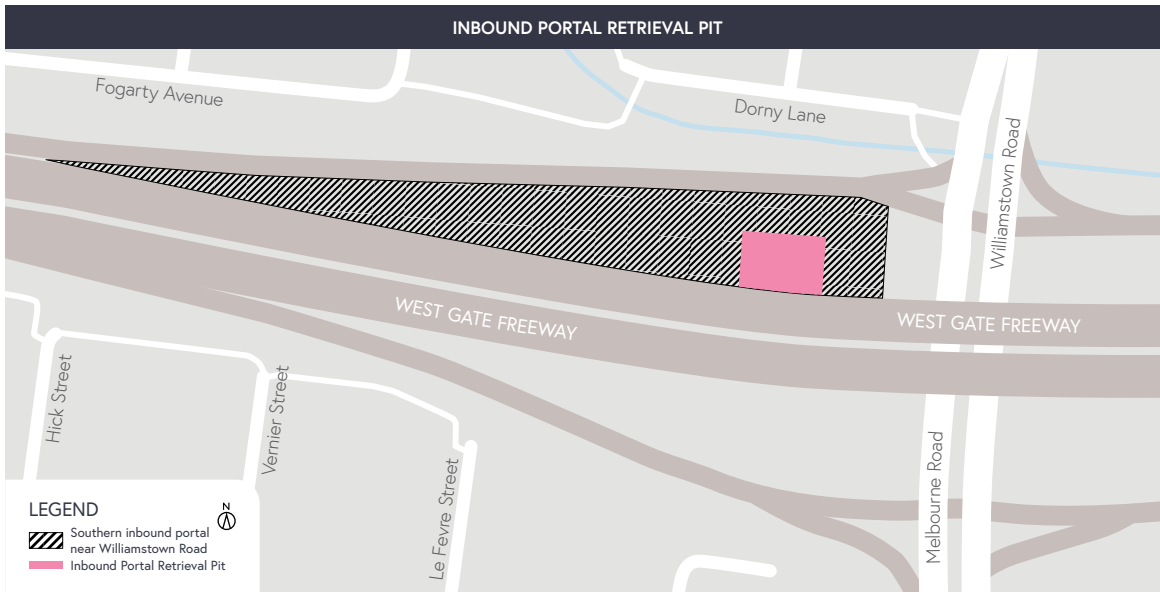
Tunnelling is almost complete for the 2.8 km city-bound tunnel for the West Gate Tunnel Project. Our tunnel boring machine (TBM) Vida, is expected to arrive at the Williamstown Road tunnel portal site in February. As there is limited space to leave sections of the TBM onsite once it arrives, Vida will need to be taken apart and large sections transported back to the tunnelling hub at 221 Whitehall Street, Yarraville.

From February until mid-year 2023, the West Gate Tunnel Project will work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to take apart the TBM in the retrieval pit. It will be lifted out of the retrieval pit, piece by piece, by a gantry crane and transported to the tunnelling hub and the Flower Market on Footscray Road.

We will be in touch with local communities to discuss these works further. We'd like to talk with residents and businesses about how we'll be monitoring and reducing construction impacts, as well as the options available to you if you experience impacts during the work. We encourage you to contact us on **1800 105 105** or **info@wgta.vic.gov.au** to learn more about the next steps.

### What to expect and when

|                                                                                     | Impact                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Date                 |
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|  | <p>24/7 construction noise including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Taking apart the TBM using construction equipment</li> <li>• Lifting large pieces of the TBM from the retrieval pit on to vehicles via a large gantry crane</li> <li>• Truck movements, mainly along Williamstown Road and Footscray Road.</li> </ul> <p>Minor vibration may occur during our work. We'll be closely monitoring vibration at all times.</p> | February to mid-2023 |
|  | <p>Construction vehicle movements in the area, 24/7, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Superloads</li> <li>• Oversized vehicles</li> <li>• Regular trucks.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | February to mid-2023 |
|  | <p>Occasional night closures of the West Gate Freeway's Williamstown Road inbound exit ramp with detours via Millers Road, Blackshaws Road and Melbourne Road.</p> <p>This ramp is due to be closed several times at night when large sections of the TBM need to be removed on superloads.</p> <p>We'll inform local communities of ramp closures via <b>bigbuild.vic.gov.au/disruptions</b>, social media and email updates.</p>             | February to mid-2023 |
|  | <p>Night-time lighting to keep our working areas safe and secure. Lighting will be angled away from homes whenever possible while we are working at night.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | February to mid-2023 |



### More detail on what to expect

- We'll be working during the day and at night
- In the lead up to the breakthrough, there will be 24/7 works in the retrieval pit
- Water spraying trucks and road sweepers will be used in local streets around our worksites, keeping local roads clean during construction
- You may experience changes in local traffic conditions while we're at work
- We'll be in touch with the most affected residents to discuss potential impacts.

### Thank you

We appreciate our work can be disruptive and thank you for your understanding and patience. Works may be rescheduled in the event of unexpected impacts.

For updates or questions, please call **1800 105 105**, email us at [info@wgta.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@wgta.vic.gov.au), visit [westgatetunnelproject.vic.gov.au](http://westgatetunnelproject.vic.gov.au) or you can drop into our **Info Centre at 2 Somerville Road, Yarraville, 3013**, from **10am–5pm on Monday–Friday** or **10am–4pm on Saturday** for further information on the project.

Do you live or work near the West Gate Freeway? Stay informed on the latest works in the area – sign up and be a member of the West Gate Tunnel Project – West Gate Freeway Construction Updates Facebook Group. Visit [wgtp.qrd.by/freewayupdates](http://wgtp.qrd.by/freewayupdates) or scan the QR code to join.



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