

BOGONG HIGH PLAINS ROAD LANDSLIP

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Our single lane traffic arrangement is proving no barrier for snow lovers this Winter Ski Season.

It's been a bumper start to winter following the re-opening of Bogong High Plains Road in April. Our single lane traffic arrangement across the face of the landslip is operating efficiently, with feedback from road users and key stakeholders remaining positive.

That said, winter has continued to present challenges for crews with heavy rains, snowfall and several smaller landslips at times impacting our ability to undertake works safely.

As this community knows too well, conditions can change quickly in the Alpine Region, and as a result we may need to alter programming at short notice to accommodate weather and ground conditions. If things change, we'll let you know as soon as possible.

What's been happening?

Crews have installed around 20,000 square metres of biodegradable mesh matting over the steep benches that cascade down the face of the landslip to help control erosion and reduce loose material reaching Bogong High Plains Road.

This system was well tested in early June when forecast severe weather triggered an overnight precautionary road closure – a decision made in coordination with local emergency

services and the Bureau of Meteorology. Geotech investigations following the rain event showed overall pleasing results, with no loose material reaching the road.

In late June and early July we continued on-site investigation works at the smaller landslip located between Bogong Village and Mt Beauty. We're working towards a plan to repair this section of road and will share more information as soon as possible.

Crews have also been busy responding to a series of smaller landslips and fallen trees along the road, which as locals and regulars to the snow know, isn't uncommon this time of year.

Image above: Snow blankets the landslip in June.



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What to expect

We understand the impact travel delays have on people when traveling to and from the snow.

To minimise interruptions to road users, we're planning our short-term program in a way that reduces the need to impact traffic.

We'll focus our works on areas of the project that don't rely on a high-volume of heavy vehicle movements, including installing a new temporary water supply for Bogong Village, removing the redundant AGL basin, and ongoing routine care and maintenance.

While some trucking works will continue over winter, people going to and from the snow will have a better travel experience with less construction vehicles using Bogong High Plains Road.

This approach will also make it easier for AGL to undertake urgent repair works on Bogong Tunnel, which are unrelated to the landslide. For more details, contact AGL directly on **1800 039 600**.

Stay informed

We realise it's important for locals, businesses, and tourists to stay informed of traffic impacts or delays.

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Image above: D8 Dozer sits on top of the landslide covered in snow.

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