



# WORKS CONTINUE

## ISON ROAD PROJECT

MAY 2025

**BIG BUILD**  
**ROADS**

### We are building the Ison Road Overpass and Extension in Werribee to provide a vital new link to the Princes Freeway.

In March, we started major works on the new 1.3 kilometre road between the overpass and Geelong Road.

We're excavating and placing dirt in the project area between Browns and Wests roads to build the foundation for the new road and complete as much earthworks as possible before winter.

We've also closed a section of Browns Road near the intersection with Alfred Road to create a safe working area to connect the overpass to the new road.

Work on the overpass continues, laying asphalt to connect the northern and southern sections of the bridge, pouring concrete for the new cycling and walking paths, and installing street lighting.

The new overpass and road will open to drivers, pedestrians and cyclists in late 2026, to help meet the area's growing transport needs, with over 29,000 daily journeys on the road expected by 2036.

We'll also deliver another two projects in the area that will further ease congestion and improve travel times for locals.

Detailed design is underway for the Ballan Road Intersection Upgrade, while planning for the Werribee Main Road – Princes Freeway Interchange Upgrade is ongoing.

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Ison Road will connect to the intersection of Geelong, Wests and Werribee Main roads



# UPCOMING WORKS



In May, we'll start the first stage of works to upgrade the existing roundabout to a larger, oval-shaped roundabout that includes a connection to the new Ison Road.

We'll build some temporary roads to keep traffic moving around our work site while we work safely behind barriers.

From late May we'll work during the day in the median between Wests Road and the Princes Freeway citybound exit ramp to create a temporary crossover between these roads.

In late May and early June we'll also work at night to connect the temporary crossover to each road. We'll also replace the existing roundabout with a temporary

roundabout of the intersection of the citybound freeway exit ramp, Geelong Road and Werribee Main Road.

From early June until early 2026, we will work behind barriers to protect underground services, and build the western side of the new roundabout with connections to Ison Road and Wests Road.

## More greenery for Ison Road

To make space for the new road, we'll remove a small number of trees and shrubs from our working areas. We'll be planting over 10,000 trees, shrubs and grasses along the new paths and road, using species that reflect the existing and original vegetation in the area.

# Changes to the way you travel

There will be changes to the way you travel while we complete the first stage of works to build the new roundabout.

We'll work overnight at times to avoid peak travel times and minimise disruptions to the community.

There will be nightly road closures and ongoing traffic changes on the citybound freeway exit ramp, Geelong, Wests, and Browns roads at times while we work.

From mid-May there will also be long-term reduced speed limits of 40km/h on the Princes Freeway citybound exit ramp and Wests Road.

## Night closures of the Geelong, Wests and Werribee Main roads roundabout

In late May and early June, the roundabout will be closed at night, with Princes Highway, Wests Road, Geelong Road, and Werribee Main Road all closed at the roundabout.

Drivers heading to Werribee from Melbourne and Geelong should detour via Duncans Road. Access to businesses in the Maltby Bypass Service Centre, such as Ampol, Highway Lounge, McDonald's and KFC will be maintained during these works, and you'll be able to access the Princes Freeway at all times.

From early June until early 2026, Wests Road will be closed at the roundabout.

You'll be able to travel to and from Wests Road via the temporary crossover onto the Princes Highway/ Princes Freeway citybound exit ramp.

## Browns Road closure

In late April, the section of Browns Road between the new Ison Road and Alfred Road was closed to work on the connection between the overpass and the extension.

As part of permanent access changes, this section of Browns Road will remain closed. When the new Ison Road opens in late 2026, Browns Road will connect to the new road from the south.

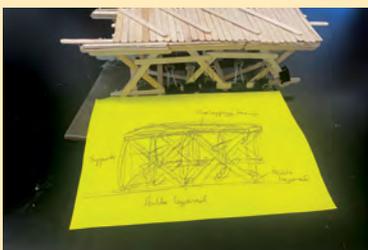
*Image top left: Trucks bringing in dirt to be spread and compacted to build the foundation for the new road. Image bottom left: Crews building a rail maintenance track under the overpass.*

## Long-term travel changes on Wests Road and Browns Road





Aerial view of earthworks underway on the 1.3 kilometre extension road



## Inspiring the next generation of women in construction

We've been working with girls studying STEM subjects – science, technology, engineering and maths – to give them a fun insight into career opportunities in construction and engineering.

Students from Geelong, Daylesford and Ballarat have participated in sessions in March and April to build bridges from icy pole sticks and glue in a test of their engineering and construction skills. The winning bridge held an impressive 89 kilograms!

The year 9 and 10 students also completed an environmental science-based activity, getting

their hands dirty building mini sediment basins to learn about how water is managed and used on construction sites.

Further sessions will be held with students in Werribee as part of our commitment to inspire young people considering a career in the engineering, construction, and major infrastructure fields.

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