Works notification: Summer road works – Grieve Parade
6 January 2021 – 22 March 2021

As part of the West Gate Tunnel Project, we are widening the West Gate Freeway from 8 to 12 through lanes to reduce congestion and travel times for motorists.

As we continue building the new lanes, there will be major disruptions this Summer.

An extensive program of work will begin in early January 2021 to demolish and rebuild a section of the Grieve Parade bridge over the West Gate Freeway.

The work will take approximately 11 weeks and has been scheduled to take place during summer, when traffic volumes are typically lower in the area.

Below is a summary of construction activities you can expect to see in your area.

**Demolishing the Grieve Parade bridge**
9pm 6 January – 5am 11 January

We need to demolish the eastern half of the Grieve Parade bridge in order to rebuild a stronger structure. To do this we will close Grieve Parade over the freeway, and the West Gate Freeway in both directions from the M80 to Grieve Parade for 24/7 for four days.

The works will include:
• demolishing the eastern bridge of Grieve Parade over the West Gate Freeway
• hydro-blasting a section of the bridge – this will be done during the day and at night for approximately five days

Hydro-blasting is noisy work and will involve high pressure water to remove concrete. During demolition of the Grieve Parade bridge, vibration may also be experienced.

**Rebuilding the Grieve Parade bridge**
5am 11 January – 5am 22 March

We will then need to rebuild the eastern half of the Grieve Parade bridge that has been demolished.

Grieve Parade will be opened for two-way traffic (one lane in each direction on the northbound side) however there will be no right turn movements to and from the West Gate Freeway. We will also be closing access to and from Buchanan Road at Grieve Parade.

The works will include:
• reconstructing the bridge footings
• installing 18 new beams to widen the bridge over the freeway
• constructing the new bridge deck
• installing barriers and railing on the east side of bridge
• installing new kerbs and rebuild the footpath
• laying new asphalt for the new lanes on the bridge

The pedestrian path on the east side of Grieve Parade will be closed throughout the works. Pedestrians will be required to detour via the new Rosala Avenue walking and cycling overpass to cross over the West Gate Freeway.

There will also be occasional overnight West Gate Freeway closures required.

During this time we will be demolishing and reconstructing a bridge and the following ramps will be closed:
• Princess Freeway to Geelong Road in both directions
• M80 Ring Road Altona bound exit ramp to the West Gate Freeway

**Public transport changes**

There will be some changes to public transport services in the area. For more information on changes to bus routes 414, 471, 232 and Night Bus 945, please visit ptv.vic.gov.au/journey.
What to expect during these works:

- construction vehicles including earthmoving equipment, rollers, paving machines and cranes
- works taking place seven days a week, including nightworks
- construction noise from work activities including machinery and trucks, high pressure water jets for hydro-blasting during demolition
- intermittent localised vibration may be experienced near Grieve Parade
- water spray trucks and road sweepers will be used to manage dust and dirt during works
- walking and cycling detours will be in place. Please follow the signed detour
- traffic changes including lane and road closures will be required. Signed detours will be in place.

Summary of traffic changes over the next 11 weeks in your area

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| **Stage 1** 9pm Wednesday 6 January to 5am Monday 11 January 2021 (four days) | • Full closure of West Gate Freeway inbound and outbound from M80 to Grieve Parade  
• Full closure of Grieve Parade over the West Gate Freeway  
• Please allow an extra 60 minutes for your journey |
| **Stage 2** 5am Monday 11 January to 5am Monday 22 February 2021 (six weeks)   | • Grieve Parade opened to two-way traffic (one lane in each direction) over the West Gate Freeway  
• No Right turn for northbound traffic on to the Grieve Parade inbound entry ramp  
• No right turn from the Grieve Parade outbound exit ramp on to Grieves Parade  
• No access to and from Buchanan Road at Grieve Parade  
• Full closure of Princes Freeway inbound exit to Geelong Road  
• Full closure of M80 exit to West Gate Freeway inbound  
• Full closure of Geelong Road to Princes Freeway outbound  
• Changes to Boundary / Little Boundary roads – more details below.  
• Please allow an extra 30 minutes for your journey |
| **Stage 3** 5am Monday 22 February to 22 March 2021 (four weeks)               | • No access to and from Buchanan Road at Grieve Parade  
• Grieve Parade opened to two-way traffic (one lane in each direction) over the West Gate Freeway  
• No right turn for northbound traffic on to the Grieve Parade inbound entry ramp  
• No right turn from the Grieve Parade outbound exit ramp on to Grieves Parade  
• Changes to Boundary / Little Boundary roads – more details below.  
• Please allow an extra 30 minutes for your journey |

Boundary / Little Boundary road closures and detours:

While Boundary Road and Little Boundary Road are being used as a detour route, there will be traffic changes and road closures around Boundary Road. We’ve made changes to the temporary traffic arrangement at this location to reduce congestion, in response to feedback we received during the last Summer Works Campaign.

The changes include:

- adding and signalising an additional left-turn from the M80 Ring Road exit ramp to Boundary Road eastbound. This will help prioritise the access city-bound and allow the left in access to Spencer Street
- access to Spencer Street from Boundary Road will be a left-in / left-out arrangement compared to a left-out only arrangement previously provided
- Plummer Road will be closed at Boundary Road to stop motorists from making unsafe movements around the traffic barriers
- traffic signals leading up to the roundabout at Boundary / Little Boundary to allow for a break in the flow of traffic heading towards the city.
Detours

Fully signed detour routes will be in place during the freeway and ramp closures. Please allow an extra 60 minutes for your journey between 6 and 11 January, and 30 minutes between 11 January and 22 March.

Stage 1: Demolishing the Grieve Parade Bridge (6 January – 11 January)

Stage 2: M80 Ring Road ramps rebuild (11 January – 22 February)
We’ve launched a new Facebook Group for people to keep updated about works near them. See more of what’s happening behind the barriers and join the discussion at facebook.com/groups/westgatefreewayconstructionupdates

Please be aware, there are also delays expected between Boxing Day and early January for the annual West Gate Bridge maintenance works.

The latest traffic updates are available at bigbuild.vic.gov.au/disruptions.

You can also sign up to our weekly traffic alert issued every Thursday to keep up to date on the latest traffic updates. If you would like to sign up to updates call 1800 105 105 or email us on info@wgta.vic.gov.au.

Please note that works might need to be rescheduled in the event of bad weather or other unavoidable circumstances.

Thank you

We appreciate our work can be disruptive and thank you for your understanding and cooperation while we build the West Gate Tunnel Project to provide an alternative to the West Gate Bridge and take trucks off local roads.