Works notification: Millers Road / West Gate Freeway area

Works are progressing well at the Millers Road / West Gate Freeway interchange area, with the recent summer construction works on both the outbound entry and exit ramps successfully completed.

There is a lot more work that needs to be completed in this area. We will give you more information about an activity closer to the time if you are likely to be directly impacted by works.

Below is a summary of the activities you can expect in the area over the next three months.

- ongoing widening of the West Gate Freeway, including installing drainage, rebuilding road surfaces and relocating utilities including drilling of underground bores between Grieve Parade and Millers Road
- constructing new noise wall piles and installing noise wall posts
- installing concrete and acrylic barriers on the freeway bridges above Millers Road
- completing the retaining walls at Millers Road interchange
- ongoing night works with traffic impacts, including road and ramp closures and hydro-blasting to continue widening the freeway bridge above Millers Road
- constructing bridge abutments, installing road pavements, installing bridge beams and hydro-blasting at the bridge over Lower Kororoit Creek

Hydro-blasting on freeway bridges above Millers Road
July – August 2020

The freeway bridges over Millers Road need to be widened to accommodate the widened freeway.

We need to remove each edge of the existing bridge in order to connect the existing road and bridge to the new lanes. This will be done using a method called hydro-blasting which involves using high-pressure water to remove the existing concrete and expose reinforcing steel.

Hydro-blasting is noisy work. It must be done at night because it creates a lot of water that will require Millers Road directly beneath to be closed. We expect this work will take approximately three weeks between July and August.

Noise wall update

Our original construction program meant that, by now, we expected to be approximately half way through the installation of the new noise walls along the freeway. Unfortunately, due to complex and varied reasons, including the later-than-expected delivery of concrete panels, the installation program is delayed.

We will continue to construct noise wall piles, posts and install panels wherever possible. We will provide further information to the community as it becomes available.
What you can expect to see and hear over the next three months

- construction vehicles using local streets
- noise, dust and vibration associated with construction. We have methods in place to minimise the disturbance from these activities as much as possible including using water spray trucks to reduce dust, and covering dirt and rock while they’re being transported
- night works which at times may be noisy
- traffic changes including road and freeway closures. For the latest updates and detour route information visit: https://bigbuild.vic.gov.au/disruptions

Works area

Traffic impacts

Please note, on-road signs will be in place to advise of detours and work zone speed limits on the freeway will be enforced. For the latest updates and detour route information visit: www.bigbuild.vic.gov.au/disruptions

You can also subscribe to our weekly traffic emails to keep up to date. Every Thursday you will get an email letting you know what is coming up for the week about all things traffic. Send an email to info@wgta.vic.gov.au to subscribe.

Hours of work

Our usual hours of work are Monday to Friday between 7am-6pm, and Saturdays between 7am-1pm. However, night works are sometimes required. When works are scheduled out of hours, or if you are located close to the works, we will provide you with further information before the works start.

Please note that works are subject to change and may be rescheduled in the event of unexpected impacts to the construction program. Thank you for your patience during these works.