



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Victoria

Through the October 2022-23 Budget, the Australian Government is investing \$2.57 billion to deliver its election commitments for vital land transport infrastructure projects across Victoria to improve safety and reduce travel times.

This includes committing to projects, such as the Suburban Rail Loop East and Barwon Heads Road Upgrade – Stage 2, as part of a strategy to ease congestion, better connect regions, improve access and safety of our roads and meet our national freight challenge.

This Budget follows a repositioning of the Infrastructure Investment Program to respond to market capacity constraints, creating a more sustainable infrastructure pipeline while continuing to support priorities for Victoria.

Key projects

Suburban Rail Loop East

The Australian Government has committed \$2.2 billion over five years to the Victorian Government for the construction of the Suburban Rail Loop East project. The Australian Government's contribution is in addition to \$11.8 billion announced by the Victorian Government.

The Suburban Rail Loop East project will help connect Victorians to key employment, education, retail and health precincts across east and south-east Melbourne. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.



Enabling a sustainable pipeline for Victoria

Camerons Lane Interchange at Beveridge

The Australian Government has committed \$150 million for the Camerons Lane Interchange at Beveridge.

The Camerons Lane Interchange project will help to support urban growth, providing safer and easier access to the Hume Freeway and Melbourne in a fast-growing region. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.



Barwon Heads Road Upgrade – Stage 2

The Australian Government has committed \$125 million to upgrade and duplicate Barwon Heads Road from Reserve Road to Lower Duneed Road at Armstrong Creek.

The Barwon Heads Road Upgrade will help to improve safety and efficiency for all road users. The project is expected to commence in late 2024 and is expected to be completed by late 2026.



Ison Road Overpass

The Australian Government has committed \$57 million for the construction of a bridge over the Geelong-Melbourne Rail Line, connecting Ison Road in the north with a proposed Ison Road extension to the south, in Melbourne. The Australian Government contribution is in addition to \$57 million from the Victorian Government.

The Ison Road Overpass will help to reduce congestion, support urban growth and improve amenity and safety for all road users. The project will commence in late 2023 and is expected to be completed by late 2025.



Macedon and Mitchell Shire Roads

The Australian Government has committed \$11 million to upgrade roads in the Macedon Ranges Shire and Mitchell Shire in Victoria.

The project is expected to increase safety, access and efficiency for all road users. The delivery schedule will be



determined in consultation with the Victorian Government and local councils.

Business Case to Upgrade the Western Highway Between Melton and Caroline Springs

The Australian Government has committed \$10 million to develop a business case to upgrade the Western Highway between Melton and Caroline Springs in Melbourne.

The business case will look into developing solutions for sections of the Western Highway between Melton and Caroline Springs, which is expected to reduce congestion, and improve safety and efficiency for all road users. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.



Gippsland Logistics Precinct Stage 2

The Australian Government has committed \$10 million to upgrade internal road and utility infrastructure for the Gippsland Logistics Precinct, an intermodal facility in Morwell, Victoria.

The Gippsland Logistics Precinct Stage 2 will help to improve freight efficiency. The project is expected to commence construction in mid-2023 and is expected to be completed by late 2024.



Trackless Trams for Melbourne's Southeast

The Australian Government has reconfirmed the existing \$6 million commitment to fully fund a preliminary business case examining transport solutions and corridor options in Melbourne's south eastern suburbs, linking Caulfield Station to Rowville, with stops at Chadstone Shopping Centre and Monash University's Clayton Campus. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.



Fishermans Bend Transport Link Feasibility Study

The Australian Government has committed \$3 million to undertake a feasibility study looking into the most efficient way to deliver public transport links into the heart of Fishermans Bend, in Melbourne.

The works explored in the feasibility study will help to reduce congestion, and improve safety and efficiency for all road users. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.



Maroona-Portland Rail Line

The Australian Government has reconfirmed the existing \$2.2 million commitment for the Australian Rail Track Corporation to develop a business case to investigate options for upgrading the Maroona-Portland Rail Line, in western Victoria.

The Maroona-Portland Rail Line is a component of the regional supply chain network that enables the export of timber, grains, and mineral sands through the Port of Portland.



Wollert Rail Feasibility Study

The Australian Government has committed \$250,000 to undertake a feasibility study looking into transport options for the City of Whittlesea with connections to Epping North and Wollert to be considered.

The works explored in the feasibility study will help to reduce congestion, and improve safety and efficiency for all road users. The delivery schedule will be determined in consultation with the Victorian Government.

