

18 March 2022

Dear Resident or Business Owner/Operator,

# Reminder: 24/7 works in March and April 2022

We're removing the dangerous and congested level crossings at Union Road, Surrey Hills and Mont Albert Road, Mont Albert by lowering the rail line beneath the roads in an open trench and building a new premium station with better facilities and more services.

Works on the Union Road, Surrey Hills and Mont Albert Road, Mont Albert level crossing removal are being carried out with COVIDSafe Plans in place to help protect workers and the community.

For more information and advice about coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au

# Upcoming 24/7 works

From **7pm on Friday 25 March to 6am on Monday 4 April 2022**, crews will work around the clock to complete works in and near the rail corridor, and around Surrey Hills and Mont Albert Stations that can only be completed while train services are not running.

During this time, crews will:

- Demolish a redundant power substation
- Undertake site investigations
- Continue ongoing utility and service relocations
- Install overhead wiring structures in the rail corridor
- Remove vegetation in and close to the rail corridor
- Undertake drainage works
- Install delineation fencing

Details about trees that will be retained or removed have been provided in our previous notices, available at levelcrossings.vic.gov.au. We have retained some large logs for reuse in local schools, parks, and other recreational facilities, as well as the project's landscaping.

At the conclusion of the project, we will install extensive new landscaping with 52,000 new trees, shrubs and plants across the project. For every tree we remove, we will plant at least two new trees, either as part of our landscaping or elsewhere in the local area.

# What to expect

## **Road and pedestrian disruptions**

We will need to temporarily close some local roads to safely undertake our works, as listed below and in the map on the back page. Traffic management and local detours will be in place to safely guide vehicles and pedestrians around work areas. Pedestrian access to properties will be maintained at all times.

Disruption	Details
Road closure, Union Road	From <b>7pm on Friday 25 March to 6am on Monday 4 April</b> , Union Road will be closed to vehicles between Croydon Road and Windsor Crescent. Access to Coles Local will be maintained via Union Road and Sunbury Crescent.
Road closure, Mont Albert Road	<ul> <li>Mont Albert Road will be closed to vehicles between Gordon Street and Leopold Crescent at the following dates and times:</li> <li>Each night 8:30pm to 6:00am until Tuesday 22 March</li> <li>8.30pm Wednesday 23 March to 5.30pm on Thursday 24 March</li> <li>9pm Friday 25 March to 6am Monday 4 April</li> <li>Access to Hamilton Street will be maintained via Mont Albert Road and Churchill Street.</li> </ul>
Localised road closures	<ul> <li>Road closures, with local access only, will be in place in the following streets during these works:</li> <li>Lorne Parade</li> <li>Sunbury Crescent</li> <li>Stirling Crescent</li> <li>Beresford Street</li> <li>Wilson Street</li> <li>Montrose Street</li> </ul> On Churchill Street, a temporary eastbound lane closure is in place between Stanhope Street and Elgar Road. Access to properties will be maintained via the westbound lane from Elgar Road.
Bus disruptions – 612 bus route, Union Road	From <b>8.30pm on Friday 25 March to last service Sunday 3 April,</b> there will be changes to PTV bus route 612 on Union Road. Delays expected, please plan ahead. For more information and to plan your journey, please visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call 1800 800 007.

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Pedestrian disruptions	From <b>9pm on Friday 25 March to 6am on Monday 4 April,</b> the pedestrian underpass at the Union Road level crossing, will be closed. Pedestrian access across the rail corridor at Union Road will be maintained at street level, with detours and traffic management in place to safety guide pedestrians around works areas.
	From <b>7am on Saturday 26 March to 7am on Monday 28 March,</b> the pedestrian underpass at Mont Albert Station will be closed. Pedestrian access across the rail corridor will be maintained via the Mont Albert Road level crossing.
	Pedestrian access to local businesses will be remain open at all times, and we encourage you to continue to shop local.
Service disruptions	There are planned electricity and water service outages associated with these works.
	If your property is affected, the relevant service authority will contact you directly.

In addition to the above detail, some on-streets car parks will be required for these works. We'll contact nearby residents and businesses ahead of any changes.

#### **Rail disruptions**

During these works, buses will replace trains on sections of the Lilydale and Belgrave lines.

- 8.30pm Friday 25 March to 8.30pm Friday 1 April, between Camberwell and Box Hill
- 8.30pm Friday 1 April to last service Sunday 3 April, between Camberwell and Ringwood

Station facilities at Surrey Hills and Mont Albert Stations (including Myki facilities) will remain open.

Chatham Station car park will be closed from **9pm on Friday 25 March to 3am Monday 4 April** for equipment storage and access to the rail corridor.

For further information please visit bigbuild.vic.gov.au

# How this will affect you

In streets affected by road closures, we suggest you plan ahead and take steps to minimise the impact to you and your family by parking your vehicle elsewhere if you expect to need your vehicle while the road is closed. If the closure is going to present you with any difficulties, please contact us on 1800 105 105 to discuss your circumstances.

Throughout the work area, some traffic delays are to be expected due to these works.

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Traffic management will be in place to keep the public and our work crews safe. Please drive with care and follow the signs and any directions from traffic control staff.

There will be increase in construction noise and activity, with construction vehicles, temporary lighting, equipment and works operating in the area. While most activities will be planned during the day, works will take place both day and night to minimise the duration of the rail disruption. Residents near the rail line may notice lights and noise at night.

Please be aware that works can sometime take longer than excepted due to weather and other factors outside our control.

# Keeping in touch

You can now register to receive disruption information via text message. Simply text the word **UMA** to **0459 067 028** to sign up to alerts for traffic and construction impacts for the Union Road and Mont Albert level crossing removal project.

Alternatively, you can sign up to our email updates at <u>www.levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/contact/subscribe</u>, so we can continue to keep you informed about our works in your area. Our team is regularly updating our website and social media channels for both level crossing removals.

If you have any questions about these works or other aspect of the Project, call us on 1800 105 105 or email contact@levelcrossings.vic.gov.au



#### Kind regards, The Union Road and Mont Albert Road Level Crossing Removal Project Team

#### Local road closures and pedestrian disruptions between Friday 25 March and Monday 4 April 2022

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