

West Gate Distributor Stage 1

The Victorian Government has provided \$40 million towards the delivery of stage 1 of the West Gate Distributor. This will provide improved travel for local traffic, pedestrians, cyclists and improved access to and from the Port of Melbourne.

Project benefits

The community and freight industry will enjoy immediate benefits with:

- the widening of Moreland Street to provide a four lane divided road with an upgraded connection to Footscray Road
- widening and strengthening of Shepherd Bridge over the Maribyrnong River to provide six lanes
- new signalised intersections along Moreland Street at Footscray Road, Parker Street and Whitehall Street
- a new dedicated shared user path bridge for cyclists and pedestrians crossing the Maribyrnong River south of Shepherd Bridge

Upgrading Shepherd Bridge and Footscray Road will address the current bottleneck and improve traffic flow and capacity. This will also mean travel time savings and improved freight productivity and efficiency through better truck access to the Port, particularly High Productivity Freight Vehicles.

The thousands of people who cycle to and from the CBD will have a better riding experience, with a dedicated overpass for a shared user path for cyclists and pedestrians separate to Shepherd Bridge.

Project timeline

Year	Milestone
May 2015	Shortlisted contractors announced to bid for the Project
August 2015	Community drop in information sessions
Late 2015	Contractor award / contract announced
Late 2015	Commence Construction
Mid 2017	Completion

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Strengthening and widening of Shepherd Bridge over the Maribyrnong River to accommodate six traffic lanes

New separate pedestrian/cyclist path bridge over the Maribyrnong River

New signalised intersection at Footscray Road/Moreland Street to allow double right turn lanes into Footscray Road, and pedestrian/cyclist movements along and across Moreland Street/Footscray Road

New signalised pedestrian/cyclist crossing of Sims Street

New signalised intersection for Moreland Street/ Parker Street

Minor modification to the intersection of Napier Street and Whitehall Street.

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New signalised intersection for Moreland Street/ Whitehall Street

Northbound trucks in Whitehall Street heading to Footscray Road to be redirected along Moreland Street, which will be open to two-way traffic

West Gate Distributor - Northern Section (Stage 1)

- Traffic light
- Shared User Path/Cycle path (existing)
- New/Modified Shared User Path