

GHERINGHAP STREET DRAIN UPGRADE

The Revitalising Central Geelong Partnership, comprised of officers from the City of Greater Geelong and Victorian Government, is delivering the Gheringhap Street Drain Project in 2019.

Project update for 1 – 14 April 2019

Works are well underway; the high-tech micro-tunnelling equipment has arrived at the Mercer Street end of Gheringhap Street and tunnelling will commence this week. A section of the foreshore footpath near the skate park will be closed whilst the new stormwater drain outfall is constructed. During this time pedestrians will be diverted around Western Foreshore Rd and through the car park in front of the Boat Shed.

The new 450m long drain, to be built along Gheringhap Street to a new outfall into Corio Bay, will greatly reduce the frequency of flooding and the length of time surface flood waters impact the CBD, benefitting local businesses, residents, visitors and developers.

The major drain will be constructed using high-tech 'micro-tunnelling', a technique never before seen in Geelong. This method provides the greatest cost-benefit, shortest duration and the least amount of disruption to the local community. During the construction period, traffic management plans will be in place to minimise the impact on road, cycle and pedestrian users in the area.

Upcoming works

 Period starting 1 April 2019

MERCER ST END OF GHERINGHAP ST

Tunnelling will commence this week. This will result in an increase of truck movements and associated noise.

Traffic management will continue to be in place to assist pedestrians and road users throughout these works.

WATERFRONT CARPARK

A section of the foreshore footpath will be closed near the skate park. Pedestrians will be diverted around Western Foreshore Road and through the waterfront car park.

Work at the Corio Bay outfall will commence with the temporary deconstruction of a section of bluestone wall. Sheet piling will be installed to create a seawall barrier, to allow construction of the outfall.

Pilot shots will be completed this fortnight.

Traffic management will be in place to assist pedestrians and road users throughout these works.

Timeline



Site mobilization and establishment

February 2019



Tunnelling and pit construction begins

Late March 2019



Tunnelling finishes

July 2019



Pit and outfall works complete

November 2019



Demobilisation and landscaping

December 2019

What to expect



CONSTRUCTION HOURS

Weekdays 7am to 6pm and Saturdays 7am to 3pm



BUILDING ACCESS

All buildings remain accessible throughout the project.



NOISE AND DUST

Standard construction machinery will be in use. There will be an increase in construction noise once tunnelling commences and at the waterfront while the sheetpiling work takes place.



PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

MERCER ST END OF GHERINGHAP ST

Pedestrian access along Gheringhap St remains, however pedestrians crossing Gheringhap St at Corio St will need to follow detour signage around the compound.



TRAFFIC CHANGES

MERCER ST END OF GHERINGHAP ST

Gheringhap St remains open to two-way traffic. Vehicle access to the Corio St car park via Gheringhap St is closed. Entry/exit to the Corio St car park via Mercer St remains. Trucks may occasionally use the car park to exit the work site.

On street daily and short-term parking has been reduced along Gheringhap St between Mercer St and Bayley St.

WATERFRONT CARPARK

The waterfront car park and Western Foreshore Rd remain open.

Permit and casual parking at the waterfront car park, whilst reduced, is available to the public including a minimum of one disabled parking bay. Occasionally, traffic management will be in place to assist in scheduled truck deliveries.

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