

# Fact Sheet

## Protection of Flora and Fauna

The M41 Project team will implement stringent environmental systems and processes to minimise the impact to the environment during construction work. Systems and processes include environmental management plans, internal permits, weekly monitoring of site by a qualified environmental representative and detailed checklists. A suitably qualified consultant arborist will be engaged to advise on the health, stability and level of impact to vegetation within the vicinity of works.

There are a number of trees that require removal to allow the construction of the M41 project. Relevant permits and approvals will be obtained from City of Yarra and City of Melbourne before tree removal works proceed. Prior to vegetation being cleared for construction, the area will be surveyed by a qualified ecologist to determine the presence of any fauna. If fauna is present it will be removed and relocated to suitable areas by qualified and licensed wildlife/habitat specialists and applicable permits obtained where necessary.

Trees along the construction alignment will to be required to be pruned to allow for machinery and site access during construction works. Pruning will help to prevent any accidental breakage of branches during works. Approvals will be obtained from City of Yarra and City of Melbourne before pruning works proceed.

Onsite, tree protection zones will be fenced off to protect any vegetation within our site compound that has potential to be impacted. These zones delineate the work area and is a 'no-go zone' for any form of storage, laydown or construction area.

Trees that require removal will be replaced with suitable species. The species and locations of the replacement trees will be approved by the applicable Council before works proceed.

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