

# M41 Merri Creek to MCG Water Main Renewal Project

## Construction update May 2018

Construction of the M41 Merri Creek to MCG Water main Renewal Project will commence on George Street from the intersection of Kerr Street through to Argyle Street, Fitzroy from **Monday 28 May 2018**.

This update provides information about the construction works to be undertaken on George Street, Fitzroy.

### Site Setup

For your safety, our construction corridor will be fenced off for entire road width with the footpath open at all times. The road will be closed to vehicles on George Street from Kerr Street to Argyle Street. Entry and exit to the construction corridor will be from Kerr Street and Argyle Street intersections. These entry and exit locations will be managed by traffic controllers during construction hours.



### Installation of the new water main

The project will undertake preliminary activities which includes, service proving using a vacuum truck, road sawing, once the site zone has been established, skip bins and large excavators will be mobilised to commence pipe laying.

The project will be excavating to expose the existing water main whereby they remove the existing pipe and relay a new pipe in the same location. This is done through the use of a large excavator. The trench is approximately 3m deep and 20m long to install the new 1.2m diameter steel pipe. These pipes range in lengths from 6.5m to 13.5m.

You will notice a crew of up to ten workers, as well as large excavators, compaction rollers, trucks and light construction vehicles within the work zone.

## Additional City West Water works

City West Water and Melbourne Water are working together to upgrade an additional smaller water main also running along George Street, which is owned and operated by your water retailer, City West Water. This water main was installed in 1859 and supplies water directly to you and your neighbour's properties.

The main is reaching the end of its service life after 150 years and needs to be replaced to ensure ongoing reliability of your water supply. While this additional work will add a small amount of time to the M41 works, it will minimise the overall disruption to you by avoiding the need for City West Water to conduct further water main works in your street in the near future.

## Changes to your water supply

- To ensure continuity of your water supply while these works are underway, your property will need to be connected to a temporary water supply via a flexible pipe which sits on the footpath
- Ramps over the pipe will be set up across property gates, driveways and doorways to protect the temporary supply and provide safe passage into your property
- Depending on the weather, water from your cold tap may be warmer than usual due to the above ground temporary supply
- You may notice a slight reduction in water pressure during periods of peak demand
- It is expected that the temporary supply will be in place for approximately 8 weeks
- We will notify you of any required disruption to your water supply ahead of time

**If you experience any issues or unplanned disruption to your water supply, please contact City West Water's 24 hour faults and emergencies centre on 132 642**



## Temporary changes to on-street parking

There will be no on-street parking and no vehicle access available within the work zone while the works are undertaken. This may be for a period of up to 4 weeks for Melbourne Water M41 works, weather permitting. Following this there will be limited on-street parking during CWW works for an additional 2 weeks, weather permitting. The project will reopen up the road as soon as it is safe to do so.

Please also keep in mind that as a result of these temporary road closures, there will be limited on-street parking available in neighbouring streets for both local residents and businesses.

**Please ensure all vehicles are moved from parking bays and the designated work zone on George Street between Kerr Street and Argyle Street by 7am on Monday 28 May 2018**

## Traffic detours

There will be local traffic management and detours in place during working hours. Our traffic controllers will be on duty at each work location to ensure traffic and pedestrians can navigate around our worksite safely during construction hours. Please follow the signage and direction of our traffic controllers and allow extra travel time.



## Reinstatement

Once we have completed laying pipe and upgrading the water main the project will temporarily reinstate the trench with asphalt so the road can open for traffic. The project will ultimately re-asphalt roads kerb to kerb at a later stage. We will keep you informed on when these works will need to occur.

## What can you expect

- Site establishment with temporary fencing erected to delineate the work zone
- Temporary changes to on-street parking and traffic conditions
- Temporary lane and road closures and changes to the speed limits near work areas
- Noise from various construction plant, vehicle and activities such as rock breaking
- Dust and vibration
- Increased construction vehicle movement in local area
- Temporary changes to water supply due to City West Water upgrade works

## Construction hours

These works will be performed during the day between **7am to 6pm Monday to Friday** and **Saturdays between 7am to 1pm**.

### Keep up to date with what's happening

For more information about this project or our other activities please call 1800 316 713, visit [www.yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/m41](http://www.yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/m41) or email [m41@melbournewater.com.au](mailto:m41@melbournewater.com.au)



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