

Shepparton Line Upgrade - Stage 2

The Victorian Government is upgrading the Shepparton Line to deliver more reliable services and allow modern VLocity trains to travel to and from Shepparton for the first time.

Work on the Shepparton Line Upgrade is underway with \$356 million invested in the first two stages of the project — an unprecedented investment in this part of Victoria's regional train network.

The Shepparton Line Upgrade will deliver the best outcomes for passengers along the Shepparton Line and maximise efficiencies while minimising disruption to passenger services.

Stage 1, which is now complete, included:

- 10 extra train services a week between Melbourne and Shepparton
- a stabling upgrade at Shepparton Station
- 29 extra coach services between Shepparton and Seymour.

Stage 2 includes:

- platform extensions at Mooroopna, Murchison East and Nagambie stations
- a crossing loop extension near Murchison East
- 59 level crossing upgrades between Donnybrook and Shepparton
- stabling to house VLocity trains
- a business case to finalise the scope and costs to deliver nine return services a day between Shepparton and Melbourne.

Stage 3 would include:

- track upgrades to enable trains to travel at up to 130km/h
- signalling and additional upgrades as identified in the business case to deliver nine return services a day between Shepparton and Melbourne.

Delivering benefits for Shepparton Line passengers

Stage 2 of the Shepparton Line Upgrade will provide the infrastructure required for VLocity trains to run to Shepparton for the first time, improving service reliability and providing passengers with more comfortable journeys.

This includes a new stabling facility to house the trains as well as level crossing upgrades between Donnybrook and Shepparton to ensure they're compatible with VLocity trains and to boost safety for road users and train passengers.

The crossing loop extension will improve service reliability by giving trains more opportunities to pass each other.

Rail Projects Victoria is continuing detailed investigations and planning for Stage 3 of the Shepparton Line Upgrade, to assess the upgrades required to deliver nine return services a day for Shepparton.



Stage 1 - complete



Additional train services

10 extra services a week between Melbourne and Shepparton



Stabling upgrade

in Shepparton to support extra services



Coach services

29 extra coach services for better transport connections

Stage 2



Platform extensions at Mooroopna, Murchison East and Nagambie to suit VLocity trains



Crossing loop extension on the line to enable trains to pass each other



59 level crossing upgrades between Donnybrook and Shepparton



Stabling for VLocity trains



Business case to finalise the scope and costs of delivering nine daily return services between Shepparton and Melbourne

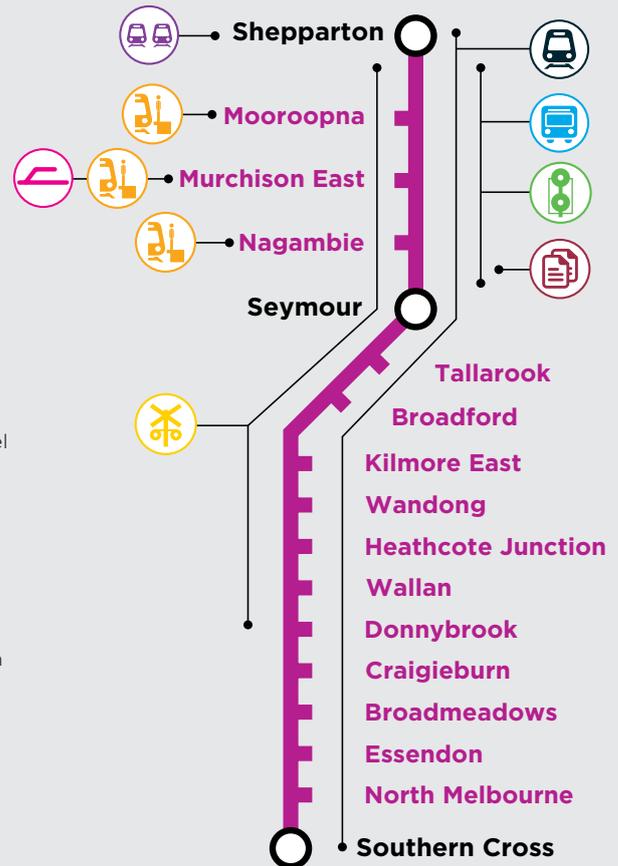
Stage 3



Track upgrades to enable trains to travel at higher speeds



Signalling and additional upgrades as identified in the business case to deliver nine return services a day between Shepparton and Melbourne



Train stabling facility

A new stabling facility is required to house VLocity trains, which are longer than the current classic fleet, and to provide facilities for the staff who will operate them.

The VLocity is the newest and fastest train in the V/Line fleet, and has improved features including mobile signal boosters for better phone coverage and better accessibility for people with prams or mobility aids.

Without adequate stabling facilities, trains need to travel long distances without passengers, reducing the number of services that can run on the line.

Stabling facilities are a critical part of our rail network, allowing trains to begin service on time each day.

Next steps

Construction on Stage 2 of the project is scheduled to begin later this year and is targeted for completion in late 2022.

The project is being delivered as part of Regional Rail Revival, which is upgrading every regional passenger rail line in Victoria and creating 1,000 jobs.

Rail Projects Victoria

Rail Projects Victoria is responsible for the planning and delivery of the project on behalf of the Victorian Government.

More information

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