

# PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

The Victorian Government is building a new maximum security prison of at least 700 beds in the vicinity of the existing prison precinct which includes Barwon Prison and Marnongneet Correctional Centre.

The Chisholm Road Prison Project will generate an economic benefit of \$173 million for the local area and is expected to support thousands of jobs across the steel, manufacturing, construction and engineering sectors.

## Local jobs and local content

The Local Jobs First – Victorian Industry Participation Policy local content requirements will ensure Victorian contractors, workers and apprentices are given the opportunity to build this new maximum security correctional facility.

The project is expected to achieve 92 per cent local content (content from Victoria, Australia and New Zealand) and will maximise the use of locally milled steel. Based on experience with the Ravenhall Prison Project, the expansion will create up to 600 jobs during peak construction periods.

Under the Victorian Government's Major Projects Skills Guarantee, registered apprentices, trainees and engineering cadets will make up 10 per cent of the project's total estimated labour hours. The guarantee applies when awarded contracts for construction, building, infrastructure and civil engineering have a pre-tender estimated value at or over \$20 million.

## Facts and figures:

**92%** local content

**4%** Aboriginal employment target (based on works' total estimate labour hours)

**10%** apprentices, trainees and engineering cadets target

**3%** social procurement activity target

## Social procurement

This project abides by Victoria's Social Procurement Framework which puts social and sustainable outcomes at the centre of the government's procurement activity.

By leveraging its significant buying power, the framework enables government to increase the value of all its procured goods, services and construction. This means ensuring that value-for-money is not solely focused on the cheapest price, but also maximises social, economic and environmental benefits for all Victorians, and opportunities for Victorian jobs.

The project has a three per cent social procurement activity target.

The project team is working with G21 Region Opportunities for Work (GROW). GROW is a collective impact initiative with business, government, community organisations and individuals working together to address disadvantage in areas of high unemployment including Colac, Norlane/Corio and Whittington.

## Expressions of interest to work on the project

Organisations and individuals who are interested in work on the project can register with the Industry Capability Network (ICN). Local service providers are also encouraged to register to express their interest. Bidders for the prison will be encouraged to engage directly with the City of Geelong on economic opportunities for the local area.

The project is listed on the ICN Gateway at [gateway.icn.org.au](http://gateway.icn.org.au) under 'Chisholm Road Prison Project'.