

WORKS NOTIFICATION

OVINGHAM LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL PROJECT

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021

The Public Transport Projects Alliance (PTP Alliance) is removing the rail level crossing on Torrens Road, Ovingham to improve travel times, connectivity, and safety for all road and rail users. The \$196 million project is jointly funded (50:50) by the Australian and South Australian governments.

The below provides an update on the status of construction and key works coming up during the remainder of August 2021, and in September 2021.

Construction of the Torrens Road bridge, ramps and retaining walls

Piling works marked the start of bridge construction in early June 2021, with bridge piling completed in early August 2021.

The Torrens Road bridge has 89 piles in total, comprising 40 on the eastern side of the railway line and 49 on the western side. The depth of piles range from 15 to 24 metres into the ground.

Piling preparation works for the eastern approach ramp, and removal, and levelling of earth material on the eastern and western approach ramps, will commence soon. These works are expected to be completed in late September 2021, weather permitting.

Construction of the bridge retaining walls will be carried out between September 2021, and late November 2021, weather permitting. Work will include the installation of footings and precast concrete panels.

Upgrade of the Torrens Road junction with Churchill Road

In late June 2021, a traffic switch occurred to facilitate the upgrade of the western side of Torrens Road junction with Churchill Road.

Works to upgrade the junction are underway and include excavation works, placement of road base, and asphalt, and the installation of kerbing. Works on the western side of this junction are expected to be completed in early 2022.

Installation of the Common Services Trench and underground stormwater drainage systems

The Common Services Trench (CST) will hold key utility services including lighting, communications and power. It will be located along Torrens Road, between West Street and Gilbert Street, and at the Torrens Road junction with Churchill Road.

Installation of the CST will shortly commence and will continue until late 2021. The CST works include trenching within the road, installation of conduits, utility services and light pole footings, and placement of asphalt. Underground stormwater drainage systems will be installed within the project construction area and on the



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eastern side of the railway line, alongside Torrens Road and Churchill Road. These works are expected to be completed in October 2021.

SA Water main relocations

SA Water mains are being installed along Torrens Road, Churchill Road and the intersecting side streets, between Gilbert Street and West Street. These works are expected to be completed in late 2021.

Over the next few months, completed sections of new water mains will be connected to the existing water main network in a staged approach. **SA Water will provide at least four days advance notice for any temporary planned water outages.**

What to expect

Hours of work

The majority of works will be carried out between 6am and 6pm, Monday to Saturday. To safely facilitate these works and minimise the impact to road users, some works will be required outside of these hours.

- Some work on Sundays may be required to facilitate construction of the Torrens Road ramps and retaining
 walls. Advance notice of Sunday works will be provided to properties within close vicinity of the
 construction area.
- Where significant lane and speed restrictions are required, the CST works and SA Water main relocations will be undertaken at night, between 6pm and 6am, Sunday to Thursday. Advance notice of works will be provided to properties within close vicinity of the construction area.

Traffic changes

To safely undertake these works, lane and speed restrictions will be in place along Torrens Road, Churchill Road and intersecting side streets. Local road closures may be required during works and local detours will be in place. Please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and take extra care when workers are on site. Observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Increase in vehicle movement and machinery

There will be an increase in vehicle movements in the area for the remainder of August 2021, and September 2021, as trucks will be delivering and removing materials from the work site. New machinery will also be delivered to site as the work activities increase.

Noise and vibration

Excavators, tippers, compaction equipment and lighting towers will be used during these works.

Some noise disturbance can be expected at times while these works are completed, however, the works will be managed to minimise disruption as much as practically possible.

For more information

We appreciate your co-operation and patience while these important works are undertaken. Every effort will be made to minimise impacts to the community.

If you have any questions, please phone the PTP Alliance on **1300 613 533** or email ovinghamcrossing@ptpa.com.au.



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