

Works notification



December 2020

Day works

Building new power supply infrastructure near Blamey Road, Yallambie

We're continuing works on North East Link with strict health and safety measures in place. From mid-January, we will resume working near Blamey Road to build new infrastructure needed for North East Link.

What we'll be doing

Power supply infrastructure works

Building this new infrastructure will involve:

- accessing the site via Greensborough Road and Blamey Road
- preparing the works area with temporary fencing, site offices and worker amenities
- laying concrete footings and foundations
- constructing new buildings and other assets
- connecting the site to nearby utilities, such as water and sewerage
- delivery and fit out of electrical infrastructure
- installing new power poles and cables
- vegetation pruning under the supervision of arborists
- building permanent security fencing around the site.

Where and when we'll be working

Near Blamey Road, Yallambie

These works will take place from **mid-January 2021 to mid-2022**. Working hours are **7am to 6pm** on weekdays and **7am to 1pm** on Saturdays.

Please note the site office may operate outside of these hours as required.

What this means for you

During these works you may notice:

- noise from vehicles and equipment
- construction workers and traffic in the area
- pedestrian and traffic management signage near Blamey Road

Please note power supply to your property will not be affected during these works. If any interruption is required at a later date, this will be communicated to you well in advance.

Every effort will be made to minimise disruptions for local residents as much as possible. Please contact our community engagement team if you would like to speak with us about these works.

Safety is our priority and we ask your assistance with following all instructions and signage.

We appreciate your patience and understanding throughout these works.

Health and safety

The health and safety of our workforce and community remains our top priority. Physical distancing measures are in place as well as increased hygiene practices. For more information about coronavirus (COVID-19) visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au

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Questions and answers

What are you building and why is it needed?

We're building new infrastructure to safely provide power for North East Link. This important new infrastructure will direct power to the tunnel boring machines during construction.

Where are you building this electrical infrastructure?

It will be located near Blamey Road, just off Greensborough Road, close to the main entrance to Simpson Barracks.

Why is it being built near Blamey Road?

This infrastructure delivers power most efficiently when it is located near the supply and demand point for electricity. In this case, power lines along Greensborough Road offer the supply point and the tunnel boring machines provide the demand. Blamey Road is close to both of these, which makes it an ideal location.

Doesn't that land belong to Simpson Barracks?

Land formerly part of Simpson Barracks was provided for North East Link by the Australian Government.

How big is it and what will it look like?

The site will be about 50 metres long and contain electrical assets and buildings behind security fencing. There will be urban design elements along its perimeter to help blend in with the local landscape and reflect North East Link when completed.

Will it make any noise?

This type of electrical asset typically produces low levels of noise, however it is unlikely to be noticed by nearby residents. It will be located over 70 metres away from the nearest property boundary on the other side of Greensborough Road and will comply with strict noise limits set out by EPA Victoria.

Will there be electromagnetic emissions?

We're building to Australian standards to ensure electromagnetic emissions remain at low levels similar to the power lines on Greensborough Road.

When are you building it?

Construction gets underway in mid-January 2021 and will continue until mid 2022.

Will construction be disruptive for residents?

Works will take place during the day and will be carefully managed to minimise local impacts. Much of the electrical equipment will be built off-site and then transported to its final location, which helps lessen the amount of construction happening in the area.

Is my power supply going to be interrupted?

If any short-term interruptions to electricity supply is required, the power company will notify residents in advance.

Are any trees being removed?

We have carefully designed the site to avoid removing native vegetation by minimising the area of land needed for construction. Most necessary vegetation was removed during previous works in Simpson Barracks, although additional pruning may be required.

Are you planting new trees?

One of the largest tree planting programs ever undertaken on a Victorian road project has begun, with the first batch of at least 30,000 trees planted. Planting of replacement trees and shrubs has already started at Simpson Barracks in Yallambie and Belle Vue Primary School in Balwyn North.

Who can I contact to discuss the works?

Please call us on **1800 105 105** or email community@northeastlink.vic.gov.au and a member of our team will be happy to speak with you.

Schedule is subject to change. Visit northeastlink.vic.gov.au/works for schedule changes. If you have any questions, please contact us on **1800 105 105**

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