

FLEURIEU CONNECTIONS ALLIANCE



Newsletter

February 2022

The Australian and South Australian governments have committed a total of \$560 million to fund the Fleurieu Connections Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road duplication projects. These projects will be delivered by the Fleurieu Connections Alliance.

The Fleurieu Connections Alliance

The Fleurieu Connections Alliance has been awarded the contract to deliver the Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road duplication projects.

The Fleurieu Connections Alliance is a consortium comprising CPB Contractors, Aurecon and GHD, with Sub-Alliance partners McMahon Services Australia and Tonkin, in association with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department).

About the project

The project includes duplication of Main South Road from Seaford to Aldinga, a '2+1' lane road layout from Aldinga to Sellicks Beach and duplication of Victor Harbor Road between Main South Road and the McLaren Vale turn off.

Safety treatments along Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road, including an overtaking lane at Hindmarsh Valley, also forms part of the project.

A planning study is also being undertaken to investigate the preferred solution for Victor Harbor Road between Main Road, McLaren Vale and Tatchilla Road and to Willunga Hill.

The Alliance will work with the local community to deliver improved road safety, reduce travel times and increase connectivity across the Fleurieu Peninsula. It will also provide a vital boost for local tourism and communities, supporting 770 full-time jobs each year during construction.

Detailed design has commenced

Detailed design is now underway for the Main South Road Stage 1 and Victor Harbor Road duplications.

Feedback received to date from the public is being used to refine the plans and progress designs. Detailed design will continue in 2022.

A concept design is being developed for Main South Road Stage 2 (between Aldinga and Sellicks Beach). Further information will be provided to the community in the first half of 2022.

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Main South Road

Main South Road Stage 1

Seaford to Aldinga

Between Seaford and Aldinga, Main South Road will be fully duplicated. This will include:

- a grade separation (overpass) at the intersection of Tatachilla Road and Maslin Beach Road;
- a grade separation (underpass) at the intersection of Port Road;
- a dual lane roundabout at the intersection of Main South Road and Aldinga Road; and
- a Shared Use Path for pedestrians and cyclists along the length of the upgrade with links to Aldinga and the Coast to Vines Rail Trail.

Major construction works will start on the Seaford to Aldinga section of Main South Road in mid-2022, with further investigation works continuing for the coming months.



Main South Road Stage 2

Aldinga to Sellicks Beach

Between Aldinga to Sellicks Beach, a '2+1' lane road layout and associated safety improvements will be delivered. A concept design is being developed, considering the initial feedback the Department received from the community.

There will be an opportunity for the community to provide further input on Main South Road between Aldinga and Sellicks Beach in the first half of 2022, once the design has been further developed.

Victor Harbor Road



Victor Harbor Road Stage 1

Main South Road to McLaren Vale

Victor Harbor Road, between Main South Road and the McLaren Vale turn off, will be duplicated with additional safety treatments along Victor Harbor Road (including an overtaking lane at Hindmarsh Valley).

Victor Harbor Road Stage 2

(McLaren Vale to Willunga Hill)

Planning Study – Have your say

A planning study is also being undertaken, to investigate the preferred solution for Victor Harbor Road between Main Road, McLaren Vale and Tatchilla Road and to Willunga Hill.

Stakeholder and community engagement forms an important part of this Planning Study. We are seeking input from the community to help us better understand:

- how people use and access Victor Harbor Road now and how this might change in the future;
- where and how people cross from one side of Victor Harbor Road to the other; and
- potential safety issues and improvements that are important to the community.

To have your say about future improvements in this area we invite you to complete our online survey by 5pm Monday, 28 February 2022.

Your feedback will be used to inform concept plans and treatment options.

Access the survey

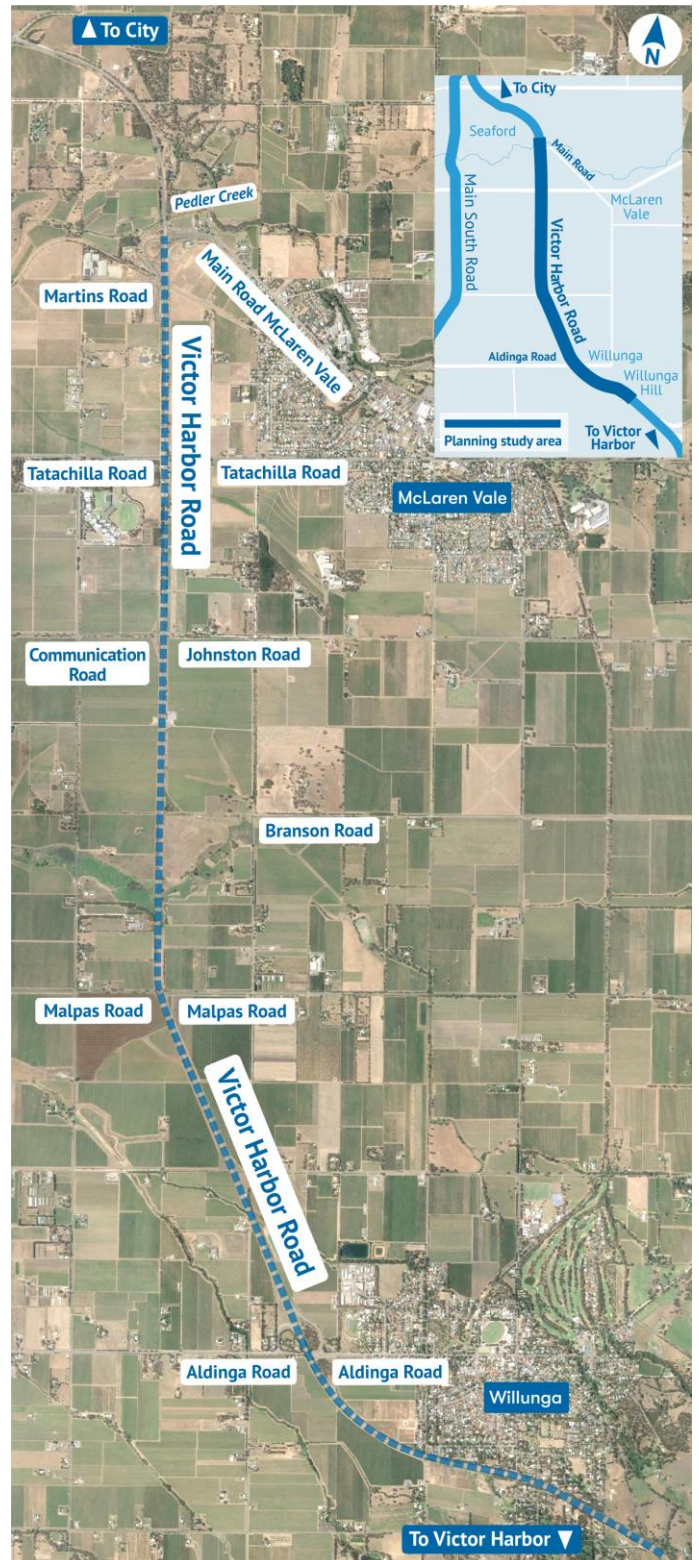
Access the survey by scanning this QR code:

or by visiting our website

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For more information, please contact the FCA team using the details below.



How will the project be constructed?

Works have been scheduled to construct the duplication of both Main South Road, Victor Harbor Road, and the Hindmarsh Valley overtaking lane predominately 'off-line'. This means that most work will occur behind solid barriers to allow traffic to continue to flow during most of the construction period.

At times, road restrictions and speed limits may apply for safety reasons. Where possible, work will be scheduled to minimise impacts on peak hour and holiday travel. 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.

Detours will also be required at times for the Coast to Vines Rail Trail to cater for the construction of the new culvert where the trail crosses Main South Road. Pedestrians and cyclists are advised to take care when travelling through the area. Where required, signage will be in place to direct pedestrians and cyclists to alternative access and/or detours.

Advance notice of works and traffic impacts will be provided to commuters and nearby residents using Variable Message Signs, work notifications and via email to people who have registered to receive project updates.

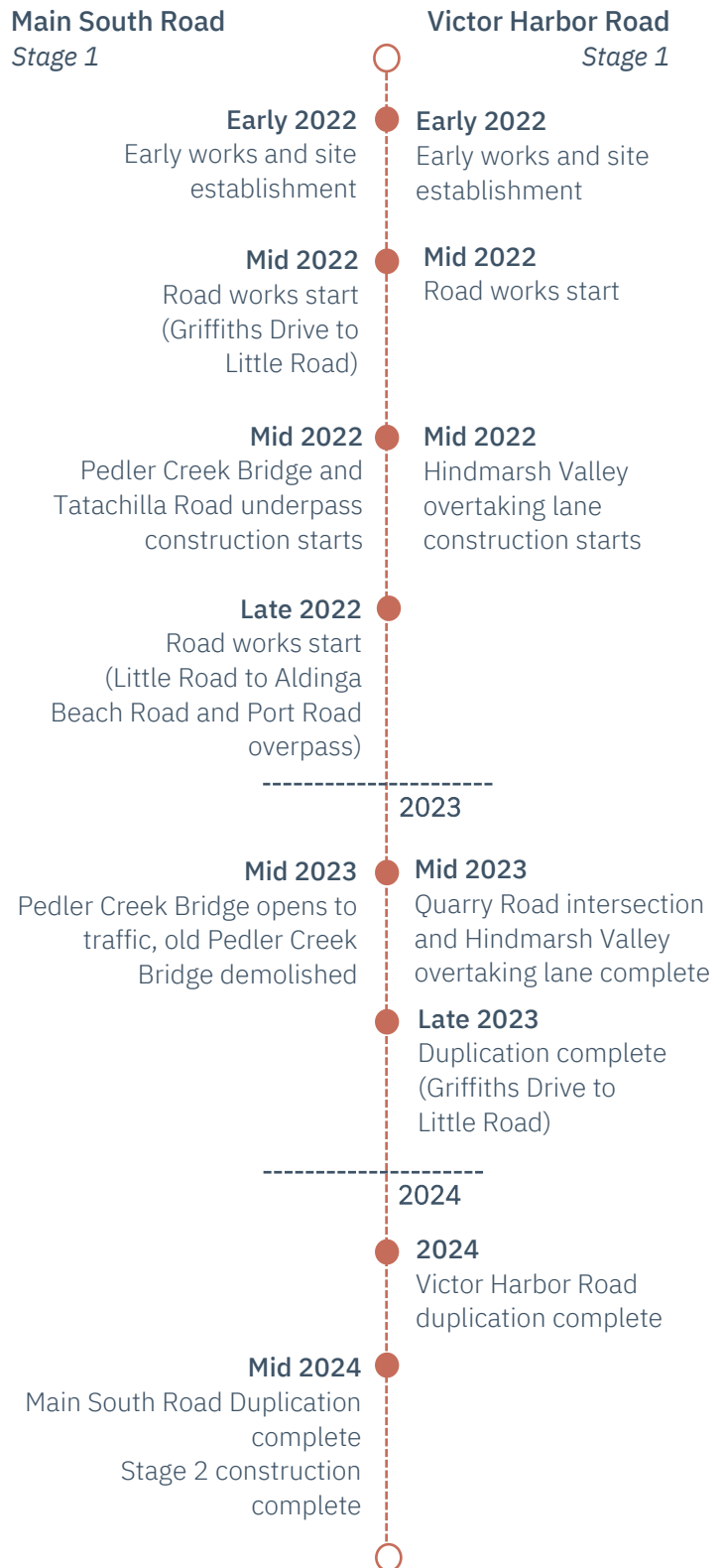
Every effort will be made to minimise impacts to the community.

Sustainable road design

A key focus of the project is sustainable road construction. Designers and engineers are investigating opportunities to improve the project's sustainability outcomes. Key areas that the project team are currently working on include:

- urban design;
- reductions of materials, energy and water use;
- waste minimisation;
- minimising site environmental impacts during construction from noise, dust and vibration; and
- noise mitigation for the operational phase of the project.

Indicative project milestones



Community feedback received

In March 2021, the Department released plans for public consultation.

Around 250 people attended the community information sessions held in March and October 2021 and nearly 900 survey responses were received. The Department also met individually with a number of stakeholders. Common themes raised during consultation on the concept designs included:

- a strong level of support for duplication of Main South Road, between Seaford and Aldinga, and for a grade separation at the intersection with Tatachilla Road;
- considerable feedback about the functioning of the current single lane roundabout at Port Road and Main South Road and requests for it to be replaced with a grade separation;
- mixed views on the duplication between Aldinga and Sellicks Beach. Common feedback at the Community Information Sessions was that duplication south of Aldinga wasn't critical and may negatively impact the character of the area. Other treatments to improve the safety of the area were however important. The undulating nature of Main South Road, particularly north of Norman Road, was also consistently raised;
- the importance of minimising the impact to vegetation;
- the importance of east-west connections being maintained, particularly for emergency services, agriculture machinery, pedestrians and cyclists; and
- the importance of minimising disruption during construction.

Community and stakeholder engagement forms an important part of this upgrade. As planning progresses, engagement with landowners, businesses and residents will continue to make sure people are well informed about the project and impacts are minimised.

Drone and time-lapse photography

Drone and time-lapse photography will be used regularly throughout the life of the project to capture progress and milestones. Time-lapse cameras are directed towards the construction site.

Drone images will capture construction works but may also capture some distant aerial shots for local area context.

The drone is operated in accordance with the rules of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, a minimum of 30 metres away from people. Drone footage will be used for digital engineering as well as for other project purposes.

Engineers are increasingly using advanced technologies to capture data and develop designs in a digitised environment. Drone footage enables designers to explore possibilities and develop innovative solutions in a virtual environment.

Local business opportunities

Fleurieu Connections will support around 770 full time jobs each year during construction. The Fleurieu Connections Alliance is committed to providing opportunities for local workers and businesses.

An online industry briefing will be held in February 2022 where businesses can find out more about the work packages coming up for tender. It will also include an overview of all the essential requirements and expectations for working on this important project for the Fleurieu Peninsula.

Looking for work on the project?

If you are a local business seeking to tender for work on the project, or if you are a local worker looking for employment, please get in touch with us to register your interest.

Early works

The next stage of early works has commenced and will continue over the coming months. The works will include surveying, service location and geotechnical investigations. These works will occur along the roads of Main South Road (between Seaford and Aldinga), Victor Harbor Road (between Main South Road and McLaren Vale) and Quarry and Seaview roads, McLaren Vale.

To ensure the works can be undertaken safely and efficiently, most of the works will be undertaken at night from Monday to Friday between the hours of 7pm to 6am.

Works outside the main road corridor and on side roads will be undertaken during the day from Monday to Saturday 7am to 5pm.

To safely undertake these works, speed and lane restrictions will be in place. Signage will be used to advise road users of changed traffic conditions.

Some removal of woody weeds will also be undertaken for construction, including under and around the Pedler Creek Bridge. These works will be undertaken during the day.

Access to properties and businesses will be maintained throughout the works wherever possible, with advance notice provided if there is a need to temporarily restrict driveway access. Please continue to support local businesses.

Site and compounds establishment

Site and compound establishment will commence in the coming weeks. People may notice increased activity in the lead up to these works starting.

The location of site compounds is being finalised. The local community will be kept informed before these site establishment activities start.

New website

The Fleurieu Connections Alliance has developed a new project website. Please visit www.fcalliance.com.au to stay up to date with the latest news about the detailed design, upcoming work and project opportunities.

Register to stay in touch

If you would like to receive regular updates about the project and notifications about works, you can register by:

- calling 1300 896 826
- emailing: info@fcalliance.com.au

More information

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