Elwood Main Drain Duplication Project



July 2023

We are in the decade that matters, when the actions we take now will define our future. That's why we're taking action to reduce flooding in the Elster Creek catchment by increasing the capacity of the drainage network and diverting more stormwater for discharge into Port Phillip Bay.

While flooding cannot be eliminated entirely in our communities, the Elwood Main Drain Duplication Project will provide an improved flood mitigation system to reduce the impacts of flooding for the Elwood community, with capacity for future stormwater flows.

The project is currently in the planning and information gathering stage, with the detailed design phase to start later this year. We anticipate that construction for the project will begin in early 2025 and take approximately 12-18 months to complete.

Site investigations – August to October 2023

To help inform the detailed design for the project, some site investigations in the project area need to be performed. This includes ground surveys and geotechnical investigations, which involve drilling several boreholes around the existing drain alignment. This will assist us in understanding more about the soil types and conditions in the area.

Inspections of the existing drain will also be undertaken to assess its condition.

What to expect

- Geotechnical investigations involve work crews using machinery with a drill rig to dig small boreholes and take samples (example pictured).
- Some minor noise is expected from machinery and equipment.
- There may be potential disruptions to the use of some public space areas.
- Work hours will be 7am 5pm Monday to Friday.









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