

# M40 Preston Reservoir to Merri Creek Water Main Renewal Project

## Construction Update – Northern section March 2017

**Melbourne Water is undertaking renewal works on two sections of the M40 water main and its pipeline connection to the Preston Reservoirs. This project is part of our commitment to providing high quality, safe and reliable drinking water.**

Throughout March we will continue our trenching and pipe laying works, west of GE Robinson Park and within Reservoirs 1, 2 & 3. We plan to close all four lanes across High Street from 6pm on Friday 17 March 2017 until 5am Tuesday 21 March, while we install our new pipes.

### **Melbourne Water land, west of GE Robinson Park**

We will continue our pipe laying works until late April 2017. The temporary fencing will remain until we have completed our works in late November 2017.

### **Reservoir 1**

In March we will continue to install pipes from High Street and work west towards Reservoir 1.

### **Reservoirs 2 & 3**

In early March we will trim some of the trees near Reservoirs 2 and 3 and begin our excavation works. This will involve cutting into the embankment at Reservoir 2 and excavating the area for trenching.

### **High Street closed – 17 to 21 March**

From 6pm on Friday 17 March until 5am on Tuesday 21 March, High Street Reservoir will be closed.

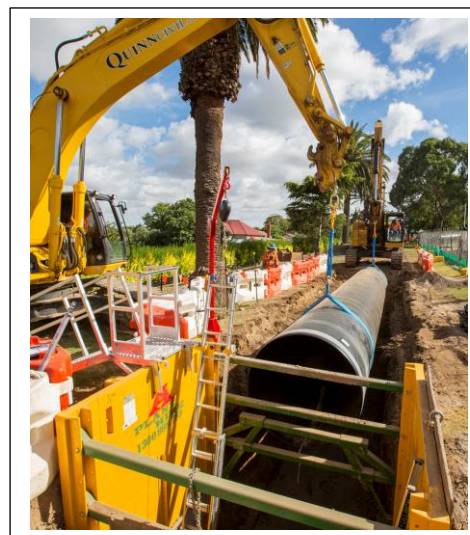
Traffic, including bus services, will be diverted at Regent Street and Broadway. See the detour map.

There will be limited local access to private properties. All residents living within close proximity to our works will have access to their residential street.

Detours, signage and traffic controllers will be in place to manage traffic flow and ensure motorists, pedestrians and cyclists are able to safely navigate around our work areas. There will be reduced speed in the area to 40km/hour.

This work is expected to take approximately five days to complete, weather permitting.

While we have High Street closed for our M40 works we will also install additional pipes at Howard Street Reservoir as early works for the Preston Pump Station Upgrade Project. By installing these pipes early we can take advantage of the planned detours and minimise impacts on residents.



First pipes at Crawley Street

## Planned traffic detours while High Street is closed

### Motorists

- Motorists travelling north will be diverted at Regent Street.
- Motorists travelling south will be diverted at Broadway.

### Dyson Bus services

- **Bus route 552**

This service will be detoured along Regent Street and Spring Street to Reservoir station. The bus stops along High Street between Regent Street and Broadway will be closed. There will be temporary bus stops. Please check the detour map.

- **Bus route 555**

- Travelling north, there will be no change to this bus service.
- Travelling south from Reservoir station, this service will be detoured back along Broadway to Dennis Street. It will not travel down High Street.

For more information about these bus detours and bus stop closures, please phone Dysons on 9463 3999 or visit [dysongroup.com.au](http://dysongroup.com.au)

### Pedestrians and cyclists

Pedestrians and cyclists will have restricted access along the western side of High Street. This access will be under traffic management.

The following map shows the detours for motorist and Dyson bus services 552 and 555.



## What to expect

- We will be working 24 hours day and night so we can complete this work over five days, weather permitting.
- Access to driveways along High Street will be maintained via local detours.
- Dust will be managed onsite with water suppression, regular monitoring and street cleaning.
- With the additional heavy machinery and equipment to be used onsite at both High Street crossings, our work will be noisy.
- For safety, our night work will require additional construction lighting.

There will be no disruption to your water supply during our M40 project works.

Once the new M40 pipes are in place, the trench will be backfilled and asphalted and all four lanes will be opened to traffic. Our resurfacing work will reinstate the roadway back to its original condition.

## Keeping you informed

We are committed to keeping you informed about this project and our activities. For regular updates please check your letterbox, visit our webpage or register for our online updates.

The M40 webpage has recently been updated to include a M40 project video and two time-lapse videos; one showing the removal and relocation of the palm trees from the St Georges Road centre-median and the other shows the delivery and installation of pipes at Crawley Street Reservoir.

- The **M40 project** video link is <https://youtu.be/yW6MRLM5Cek>
- **The M40 project – first pipes delivered and installed at Preston**  
<https://youtu.be/GWMN6UOUqRE>
- **M40 project – palm trees relocated to Yarra Valley**  
<https://youtu.be/bzS27-CtGyA>

This Construction Update provides information about the **northern** section of the M40 project. For information about what is happening in the **southern** section of this M40 project, check our webpage.

## More information

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