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Caulfield to Dandenong:

*transformation toward sustainable
development*

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LXRA and Project Overview

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Today

- Introduction to LXRA and the project
- Sustainability and environmental management
- Contamination
- Noise
- Consultation





LXRA?

- Level Crossing Removal Authority
- Scope
 - Remove 50 level crossings by 2022, with 20 by late 2018
 - Mernda Rail Extension Project
 - Hurstbridge Duplication (Stage 1)
 - Kananook Stabling and Maintenance Facility
- Our responsibilities:
 - Project planning (options, designs, assessments, approvals)
 - Stakeholder engagement
 - Procurement

LEVEL CROSSINGS FOR REMOVAL

- ALTONA LOOP**
 - 1 Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown North
- BELGRAVE**
 - 2 Mountain Highway, Bayswater
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 - 16 Siye Road, Frankston
 - 17 Station Street, Benbeach
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- GLEN WAVERLEY**
 - 19 Burke Road, Glen Iris
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 - 22 Lower Plenty Road, Rosanna
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 - 26 Maroondah Highway, Lilydale
- PAKENHAM**
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 - 29 Koornang Road, Carnegie
 - 30 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena
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 - 36 Clyde Road, Berwick
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- WILLIAMSTOWN**
 - 50 Ferguson Street, Williamstown

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Where are we at?

Status:

- 10 removed
- 11 in design/construction, plus Mernda and Hurstbridge
- 16 in tender
- 13 in planning



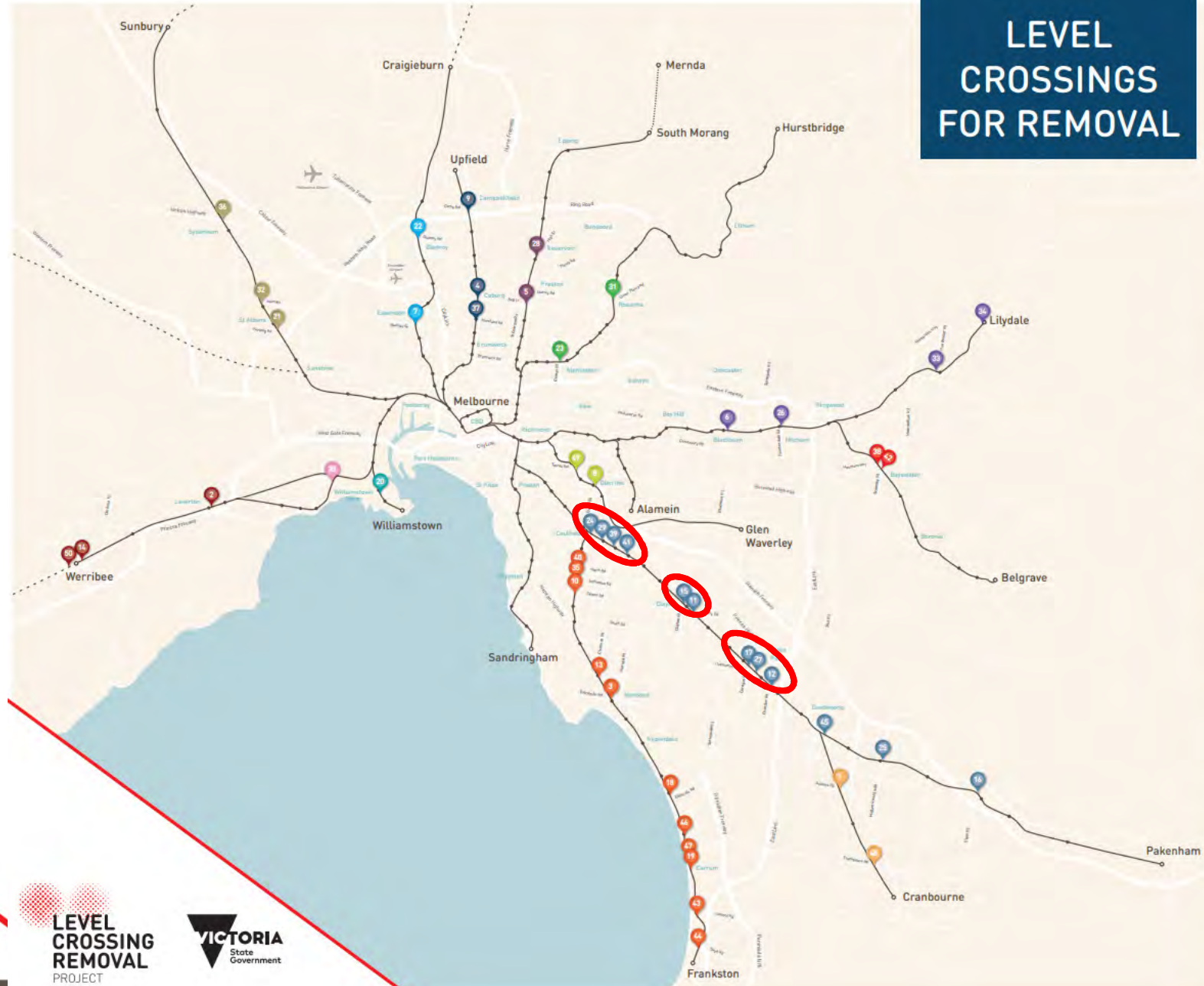
Program benefits

- Removing the crossings will:
 - deliver significant **safety improvements** for drivers and pedestrians
 - **improve travel** around Melbourne, regardless of mode of travel
 - get people home safer and faster
 - make **our roads more reliable**, enabling people to better predict their travel times
 - **stimulate economic growth** by creating thousands of jobs during construction
 - **revitalise local communities**, with many areas benefiting from station rebuilds
 - enable **more trains to run** more often and on time.

Caulfield to Dandenong: Project Objectives

- Maintain an acceptable level of service for road and rail users during delivery;
- Improve the reliability and efficiency of the transport network to improve productivity;
- Promote appropriate land utilisation around rail corridors to facilitate value capture development rights opportunities;
- Provide better connected, more vibrant activity centres and improved urban amenity for all users; and
- Create safer communities.

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Caulfield to Dandenong

- Area 1:
 - **Grange, Koornang, Murrumbeena, and Poath** Roads (~4km elevated rail)
 - Carnegie, Murrumbeena, Hughesdale Stations
- Area 2
 - **Clayton, Centre** Roads (~1.8km elevated rail)
 - Clayton Station
- Area 3
 - **Corrigan and Heatherton** Roads (~1km elevated rail)
 - **Chandler** Road (~800m elevated rail)
 - Noble Park Station

Project video

Available online at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYT5F-gcr40>



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Rail systems

- Communication systems
- Signal upgrades
- Power upgrades
 - New and upgraded substations
 - Upgrades to gantries and overhead power cables
- Platform extensions
- Partial duplication of Cranbourne Rail Corridor
- Interfacing with
 - High Capacity Metro Trains Project (incl East Pakenham depot)
 - Melbourne Metro Project

Project Approvals

- *Planning and Environment Act 1987*
 - Planning Scheme Amendment (GC37) across nine planning schemes
 - Native vegetation offsets
- *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*
 - Cultural Heritage Management Plan
- *Heritage Act 1995*
 - Permit and exemptions
- *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988*
 - Permits
- *Water Act 1989*
 - Works on waterways

Environment & Sustainability

Paul O'Connell

Environment and Sustainability Manager – CTD Alliance

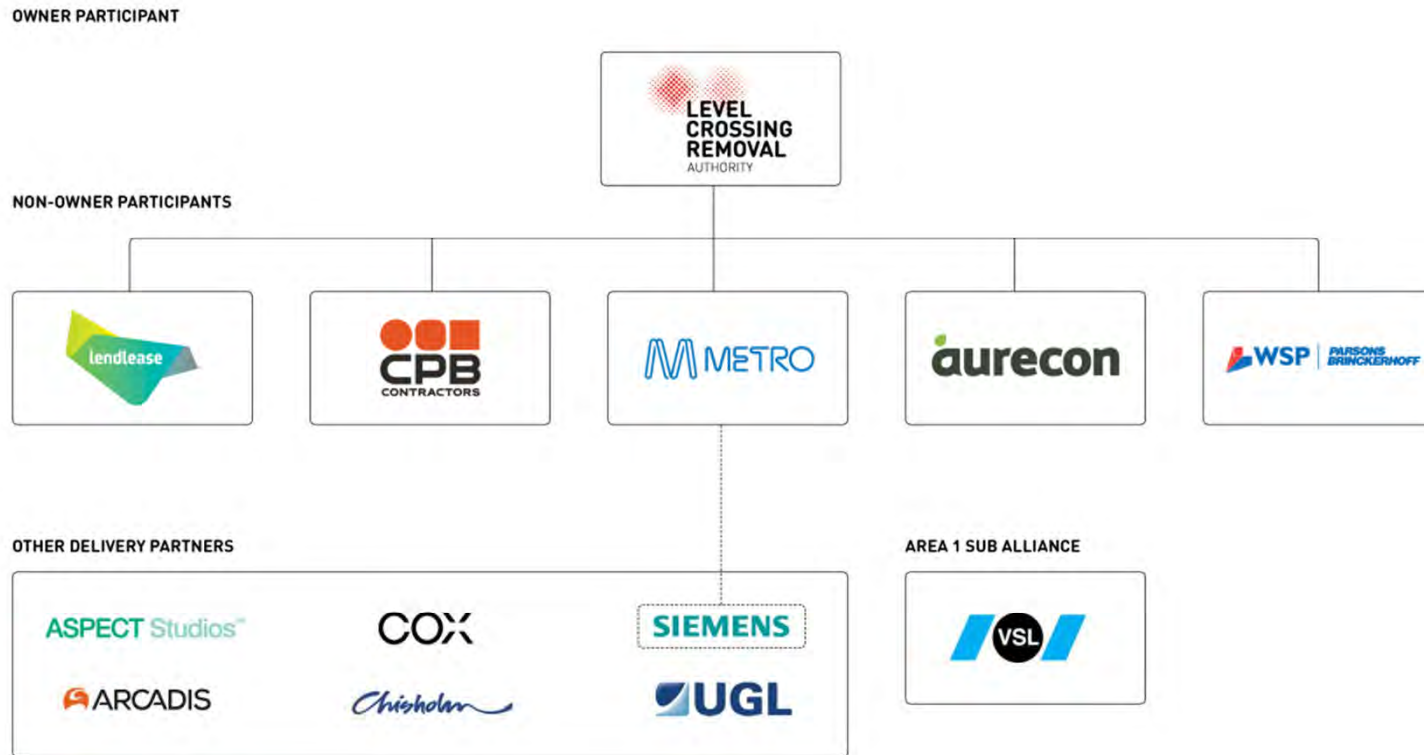


Agenda

- The Alliance players
- Approach to and opportunity for sustainability
- Construction methods
- Environmental challenges



Structure of Alliance Project Parties



Project Structure Overview

Key members of CTD's Team:

- CTD's NOP's and key partners shown in the diagram above.
- CTD is engaging VSL under a Sub-Alliance for the Area 1 Viaduct

Commitment to Sustainability

- The project is all about sustainability - Improving safety, capacity and community connectivity
- Provide for 42% increased capacity - 11,000 extra passengers in the peak
- Make our roads and rail line more reliable and more efficient
- Creates 2,000 jobs
- Environmental and social benefits associated with the elevated design
 - Shared user path – health and wellbeing
 - Community activation spaces
 - 5 new station rebuilds
 - Revitalise local communities
- Continuous improvement focus
- Client and senior management and leadership resolve

Approach to Sustainability

ISCA's IS Framework

- Achieve an IS Rating of Excellent
- Common national language for sustainability in infrastructure
- Consistent application and evaluation of sustainability in procurement, construction and operational processes
- Scoping whole-of-life sustainability aspects
- Promotes resource efficiency and waste reduction, reducing costs
- Fosters innovation and continuous improvement




Design Review Process



Highlights to date

22.5Ha
of new parkland



ECOLOGY
translocations
seed collection
habitat linkages



75,000
reduction in local
truck movements
due to less
excavation



cubic metres
50,000
of contaminated
material diverted
from landfill

4 
**NEW CROSS
CORRIDOR ROAD
CONNECTIONS**

74
**NEW APPRENTICES,
TRAINEES, CADETS**



Community
involvement
in design
(COSEP)



SOCIAL PROCUREMENT
Social inclusion of disadvantaged groups
Current indigenous employment - 2.46%
"Being Well" resilience training - 450+
Mental first aiders - 48
Social enterprises



9.7
MILLION
LITRES SAVED



★★★★★
STATIONS
Minimum 4 star
Green Star

17km
shared use path



energy
reduction
\$150,000pa



\$40m
Up to \$40m in savings
in utility relocation and
protection



21%
cement
replacement
product in
precast concrete

Reuse and repurposing
of salvaged materials,
new avenue of honour
planting




retains more
existing mature
trees



Up to \$68m of immediate
Continuous Improvement for the
remaining Level Crossing Program



**BIODIESEL
GENERATORS**



Increases community connectivity

Noise and privacy screens

Split decks - Visual/light permeability between structures



WSUD elements

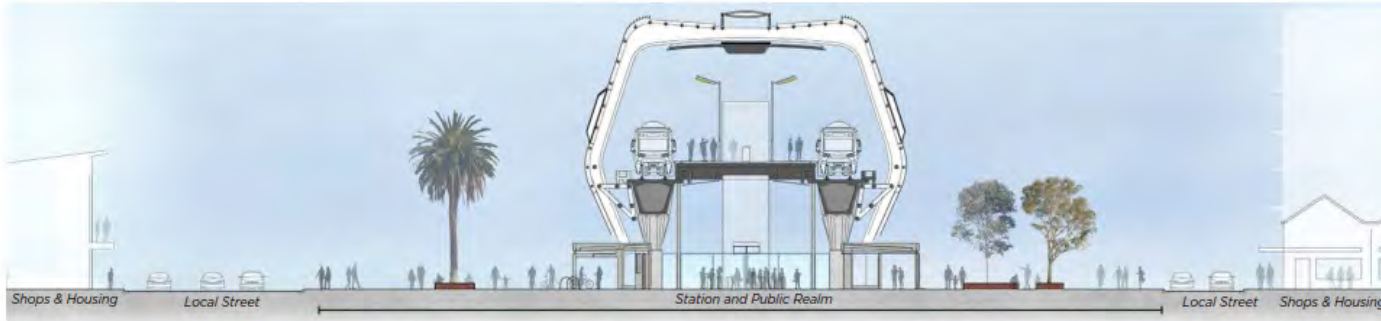
Architectural OHW masts

22.5ha linear park

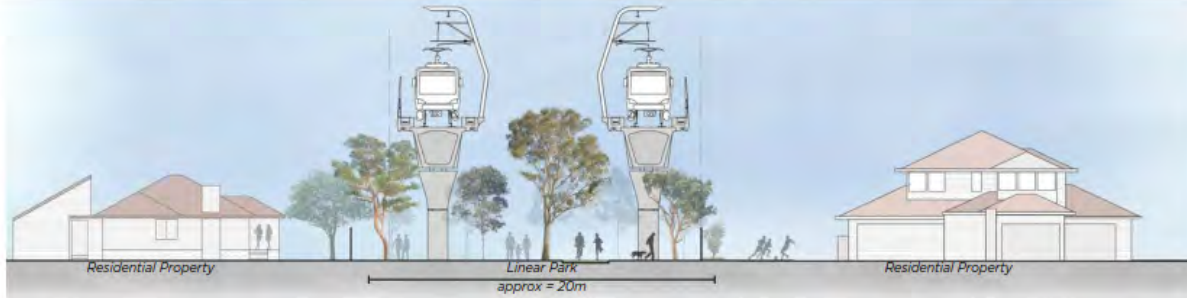
17km bike path

Landscape and planting opportunities

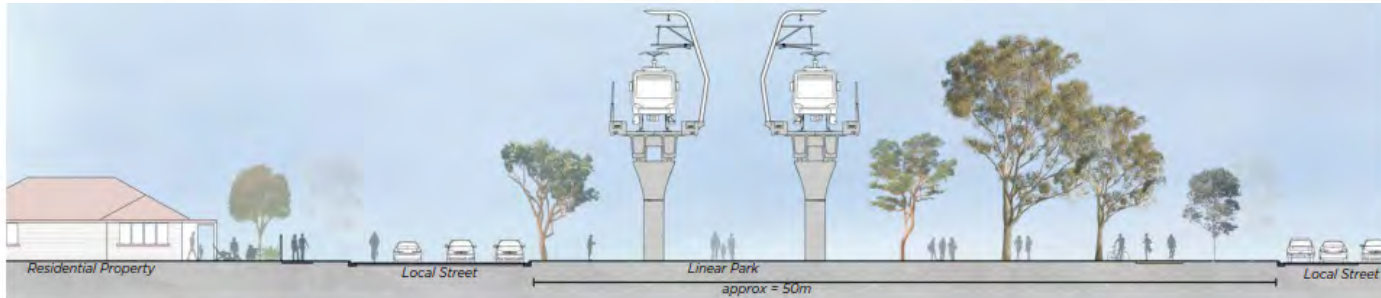
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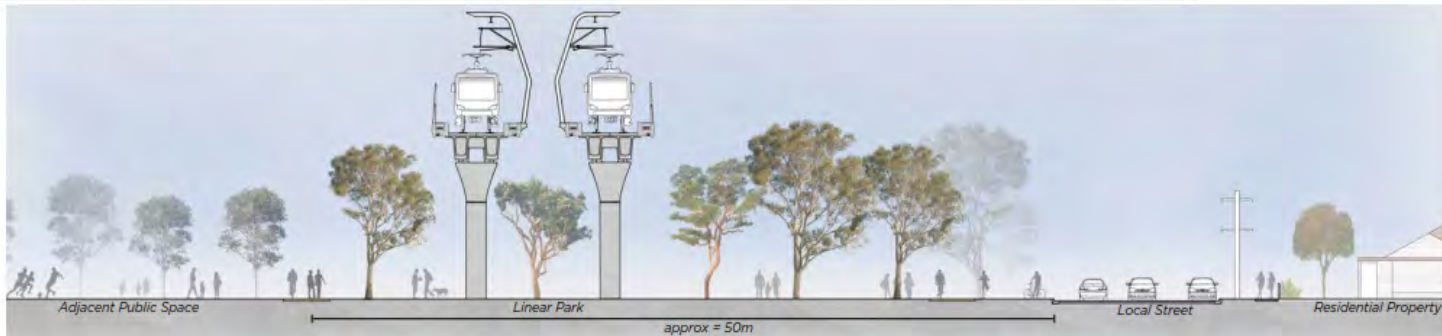
AREA ONE - TYPICAL CROSS SECTION THROUGH STATION AND PUBLIC REALM



AREA ONE - TYPICAL CROSS SECTION



AREA TWO - TYPICAL CROSS SECTION



AREA THREE - TYPICAL CROSS SECTION

Managing community and environment

Key challenges

- Minimising disruption on busiest line
- Tight corridor, working in live train environment
- Out of hours and Night works - Occupations
- Brownfields environment
- Maintaining traders, community interface at stations



Construction methodology – Area 1 (Grange to Poath Rd)



Available online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGtIIDAgwi4>



Construction Update

- Piling for piers: commenced August 2016
- Pier erection: commenced February 2017
- Gantry arrival: February/March 2017
- Gantry crane operational: April 2017
- Carrier operational, 1st span: April 2017
- Piling Complete
- Track signalling installation on deck by late 2017
- Bicycle & pedestrian path complete by mid 2018
- Open space landscaping complete by mid/late 2018



Construction methodology – Area 2/3 (Clayton)



(video)





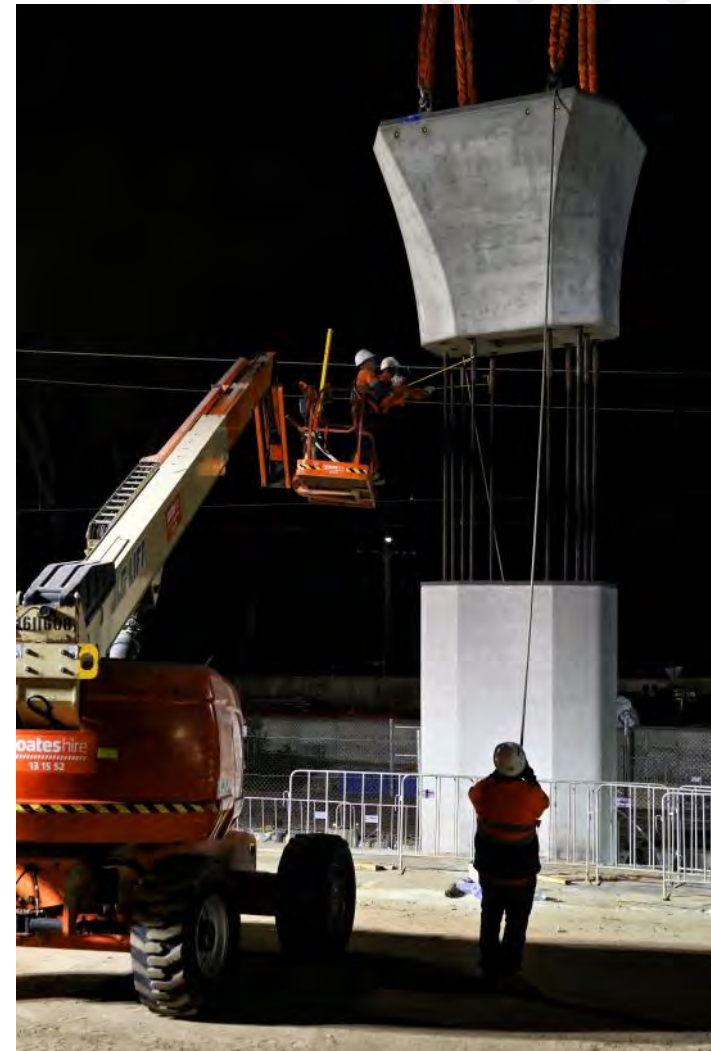
Spoil & Contamination Management

- Limited space/area to handle materials on site – narrow corridor/live rail
- Challenges with the ideals waste hierarchy and context in linear infrastructure
- No structured approval pathway for reuse
- Temporary storage for materials – existing rail land
- Site Determination - in collaboration with EPA developed a guidance for assessing site determination
- **Opportunity** - Gear legislation with consideration of major projects and linear infrastructure



Noise & Vibration

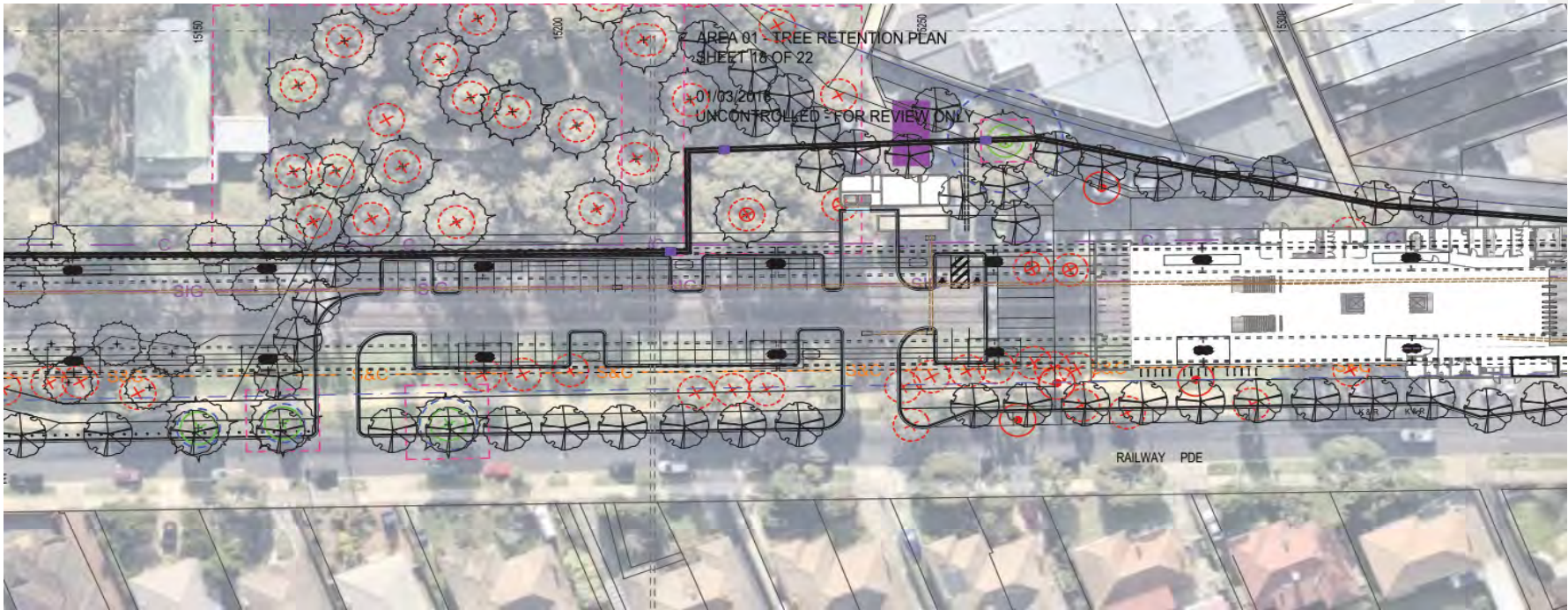
- The perception of elevated rail and noise
- Out of hours work that is unavoidable – works within operating rail corridor
- Don't have the long extended occupations typically seen on other LX project
- Challenges with current guidelines as a framework for infrastructure projects
- Determination of avoidable and unavoidable - Not measurable, not specific
- Approach – predictive modelling, scheduling of activities and monitoring
- Community engagement process triggered through internal procedure
- Critical in managing expectations, notifications and the provision of respite measures



Tree Removal and Retention

- Significant removals required – community concerns and angst
- Assessment of existing conditions and tree health/retention value
- A tree retention plan – publicly released
- Feedback from community information sessions – key for them to see some progress
- Construction procedures for managing removals
- Implemented rare plant salvage, seed collection for reuse in linear park





Heritage & Adaptive reuse

- 59 Heritage sites across the corridor
- Carnegie and Murrumbeena Stations
- Local council view around full retention of station buildings
- Heritage interpretation plan
- Salvage and adaptive reuse of materials

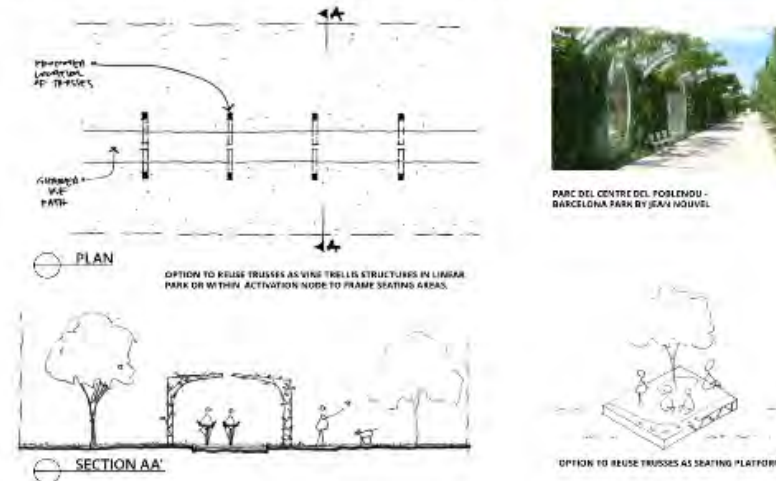


Reuse of Station Canopy Trusses : Preferred option



MURRUMBEENA MAIN STATION BUILDING

Reuse of Station Canopy Trusses - Location & Form



Contaminated Soil Management Strategy

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Senior Associate - Coffey





Introduction

- Project context and constraints
- Project solution
- Regulatory framework
- Site determination principles
- CTD Site Determination application and approval
- Sustainability and industry advancement



Project Context – Spoil Management

Project context:

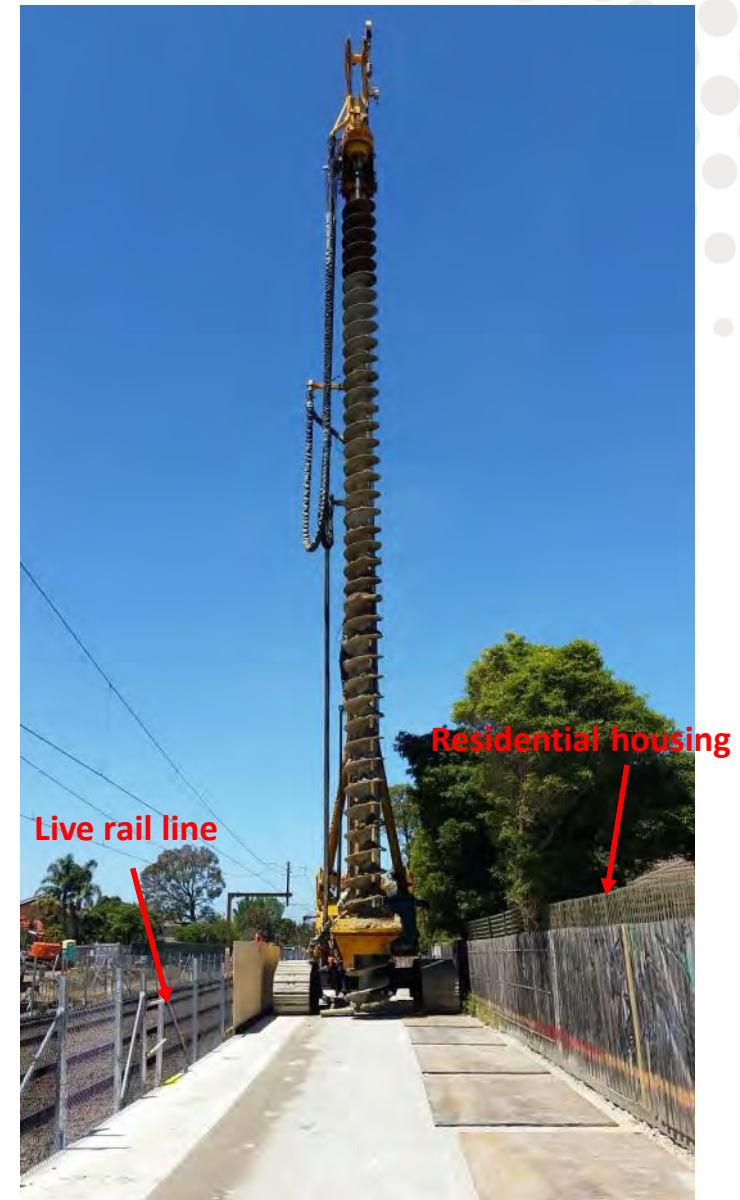
- 100,000 m³ of spoil generated during construction
 - > 50,000 m³ potentially contaminated – typically metals and PAHs
 - ~ 5,000 m³ PASS
- 40,000 m³ ballast
- Project goal to minimise waste generation – including spoil

Project commitments:

- Minimal shut-down of active rail corridor during construction
- Minimal disruption to commuters and the community including minimal use of surrounding public open spaces for laydown and stockpiling

Project Constraints

- Narrow project boundary
- Maintaining live rail corridor during construction
- Limited area to stockpile/manage on site
- Linear alignment with multiple land titles within Project boundary
 - movement of contaminated soil across title boundaries ordinarily = offsite disposal



Project Solution – EPA granted Site Determination

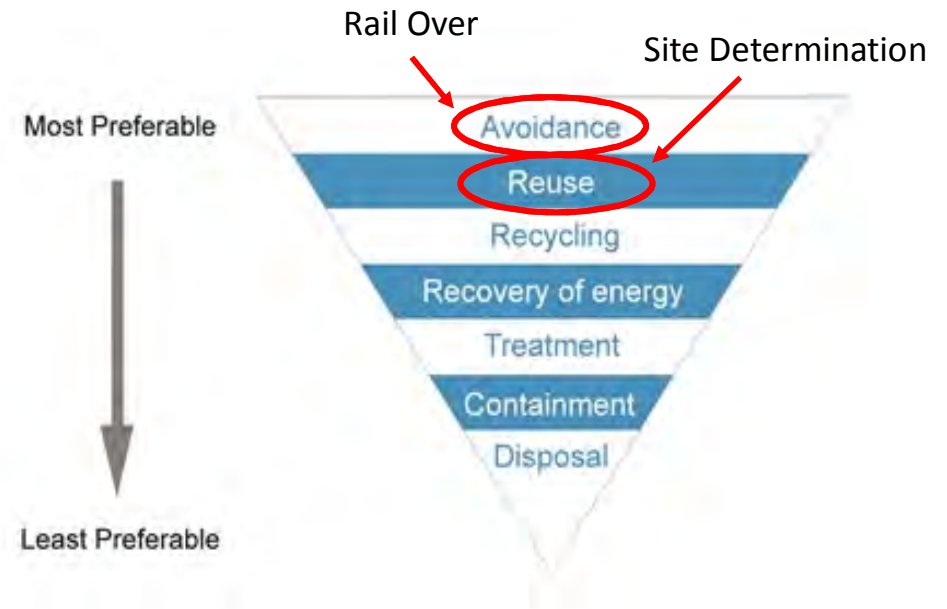
The Land SEPP (2002) gives EPA the ability to determine a “Site” under Clause 32

“site” means a parcel of land and other elements of the environment associated with the land, identifiable –

- (a) by reference to volume and folio numbers of a title registered with the Registrar of Land Titles in accordance with the **Transfer of Land Act 1958** or a parcel of land a memorial of the conveyance of which, containing a description of the said land, has been registered with the Registrar of Land Titles in accordance with the **Property Law Act 1958**; or
- (b) where determined by the Authority as applicable, by–
 - (i) Australian or global geographical coordinates of latitude and longitude to the third decimal place; or
 - (ii) Australian Map Grid reference to the nearest centimetre.

Project Solution – EPA granted Site Determination

- Temporary movement and management and final re-use of contaminated spoil within a defined boundarywithout being offsite disposal
- Process managed under an independently audited site-specific Environment Improvement Plan
- Strategy of re-use in accordance with EPA waste hierarchy





Precedent

- The most recent relevant example is Regional Rail Package B
 - EPA approved site determination boundary
 - Non-statutory review and approval of EIP by EPA auditor to allow re-use
 - Different site/project setting:
 - Primarily industrial than residential setting ⇒ fewer sensitive receptors
 - Short transport distances / transport within rail corridor
- EPA consider the acceptability and applicability of this approach on a case-by-case basis
- There is no formal application process to follow

Site Determination Principles

	EPA Principle	CTD application
1	A net environmental benefit will be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will reduce spoil to landfill, use of public land, emissions and energy consumption• Contribute to project sustainability credits
2	Separate management of soils with different geological and geochemical characteristics and contaminant profiles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-situ categorisation of soil• Segregation of surficial fill and clean natural material• Controlled temporary management area
3	The process will not spread or mobilise contamination such that this could create future legacy contamination issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-use in accordance with pre-approved scenarios• Close material tracking to validate suitability of material• Excess spoil disposed to landfill
4	Where long-term management is required, responsibility is assigned to a person or entity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Management and re-use on VicTrack land only – signed agreement• Not approved where there would be onerous, ongoing management requirements

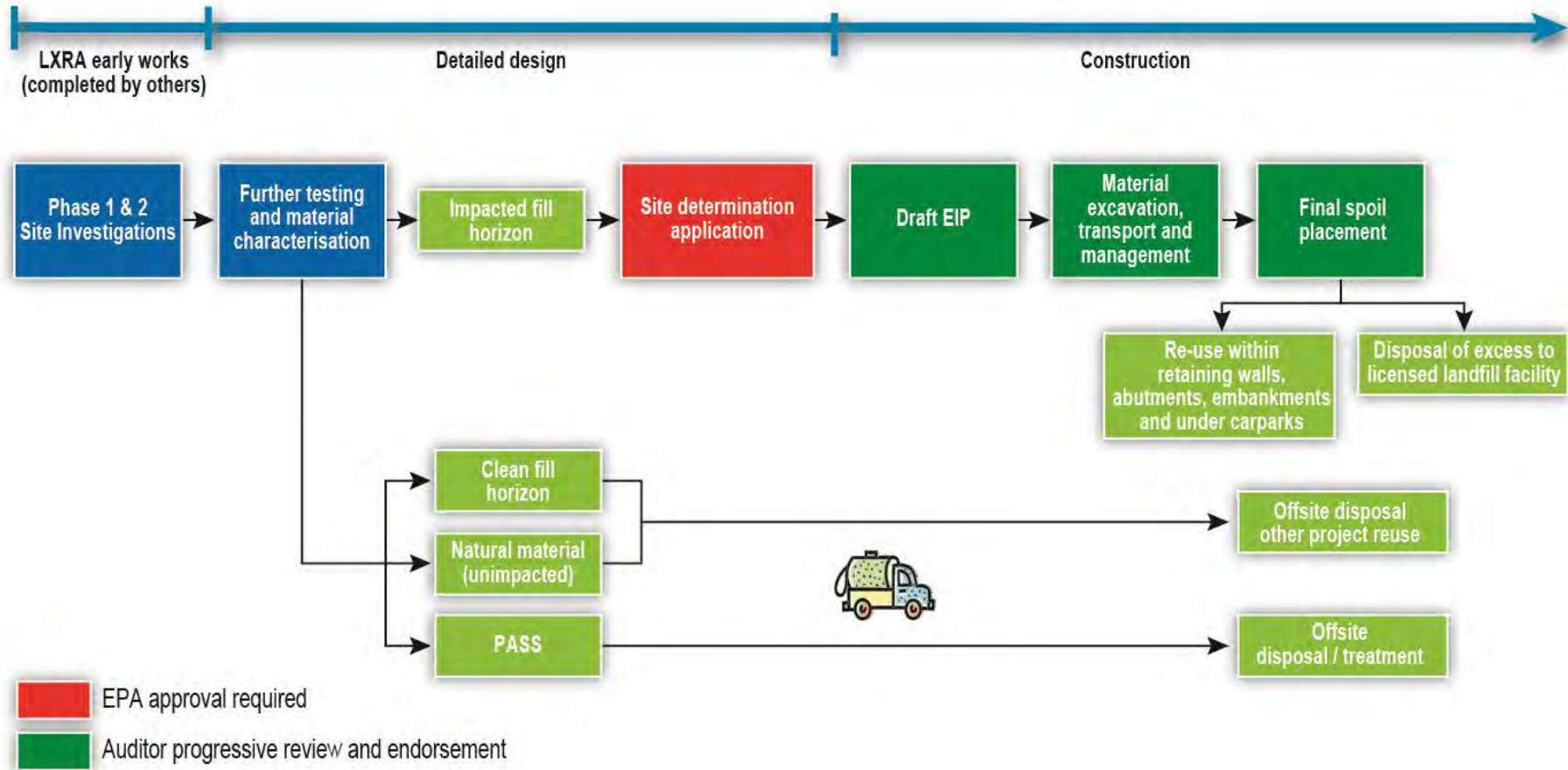


EPA key concerns

EPA concern	Project solution
“Environmental Justice”	Multiple site determination areas: re-use only allowed in area from which soil was sourced
Material transport and temporary stockpile management	EPA auditor oversight of this process
Contiguous boundaries	Inclusion of transport routes in site determination boundaries
Re-use in public open space	No re-use in POS regardless of contaminant concentration suitability
Precedent for major infrastructure projects	Worked with EPA to develop robust, consistent framework that can be applied to other projects



Contamination assessment and re-use approvals process



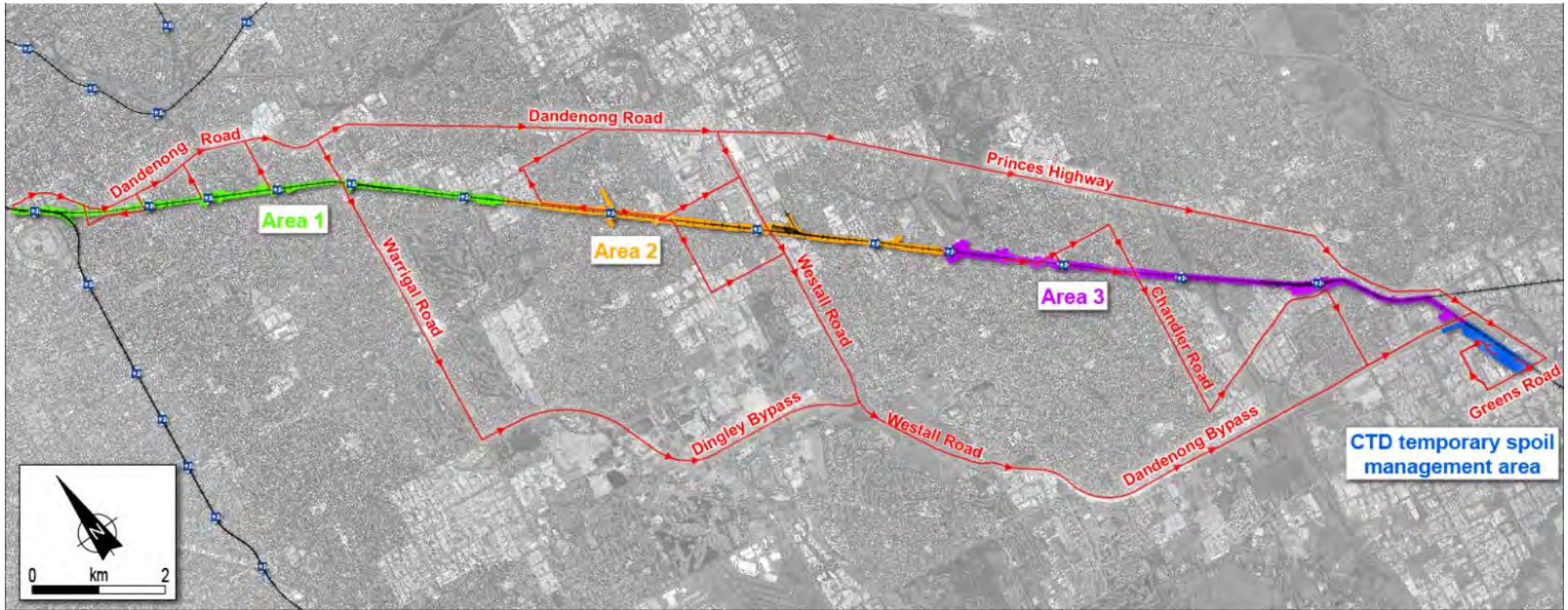
CTD Site Determination

Site Determination granted by EPA CEO in October 2016

- 3 x Site Determinations to account for distance of Project
- Temporary management of spoil at a site in Dandenong deemed best option
 - Within project boundary
 - Existing industrial/commercial zoning
 - Existing use by rail operators for temp. management of soil and ballast
- Site determination approvals include transport corridor boundaries and temporary management area



Site Determination boundaries



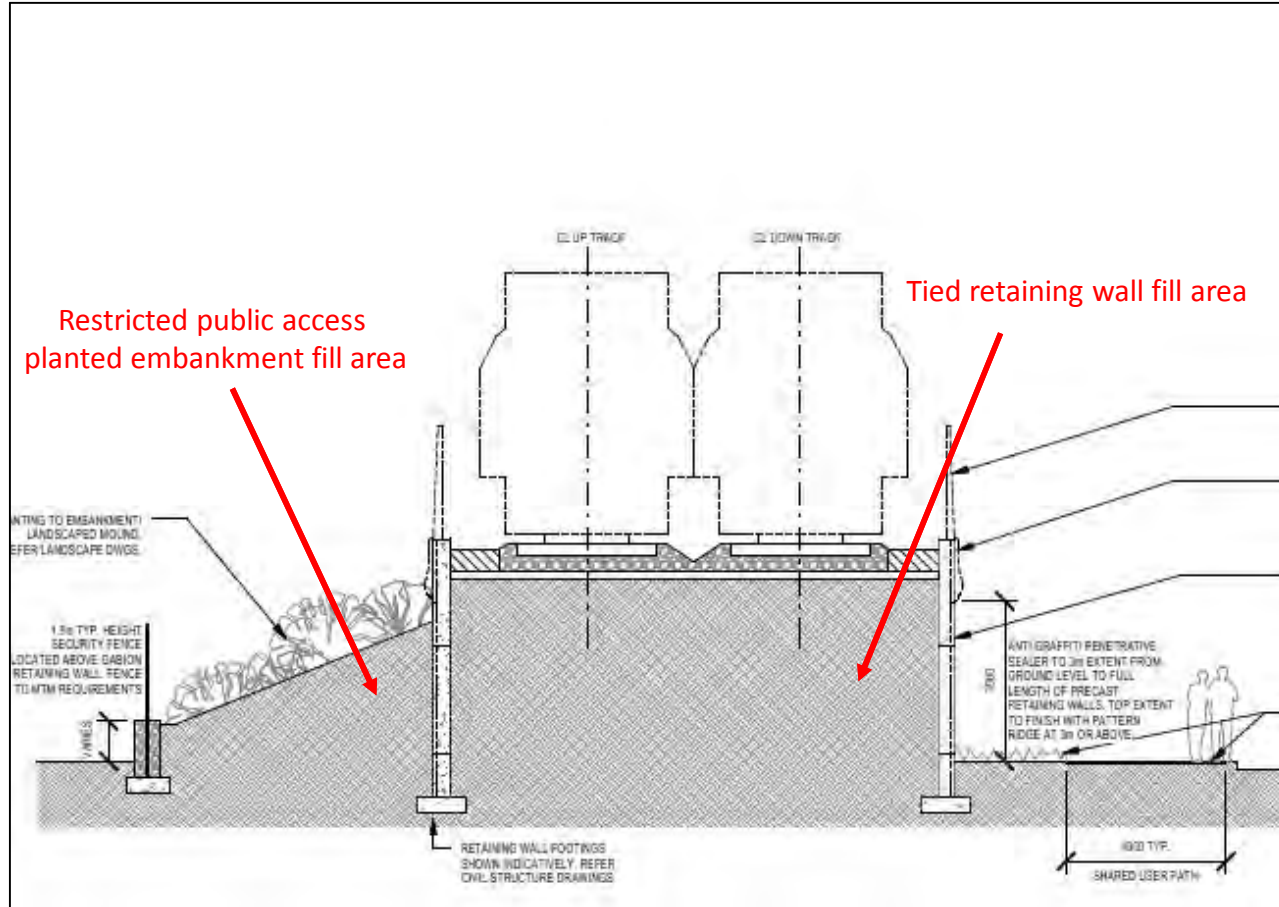


CTD Site Determination (cont.)

- Audit of site assessment, spoil management, movement and re-use process, plus end-use scenarios
- EPA licensed vehicles for transport, and only via the defined transport routes
- Re-use only permitted in defined end-use scenarios
 1. Backfill in retaining walls, abutments and embankment - restricted public access
 2. Fill beneath carpark hardstands

No re-use within public open space areas

Retaining wall and embankment end-use scenario

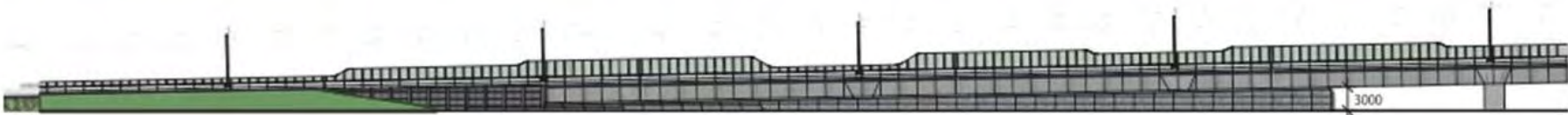




.... the “artists” impression



View of Retaining Wall





Sustainability and industry advancement

- On-track to re-use 40,000m³ of contaminated spoil, diverting this from landfill
 - ISCA LAN credit ratings
 - Reduced import of new material to site
 - Substantial project cost saving
- Collaboration with EPA to advance towards a Site Determination framework
 - Consistent application process
 - Consistent outcome/approval expectation
 - No statutory approvals timeframe – perhaps an opportunity

Noise and Vibration

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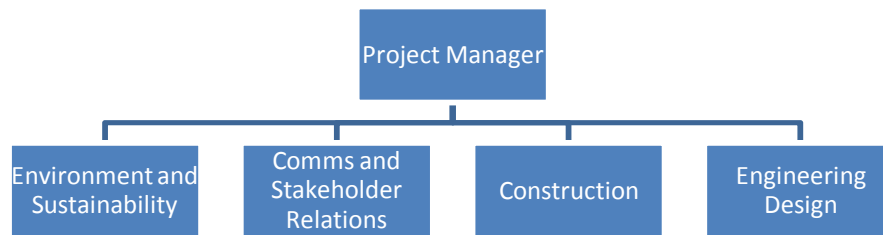




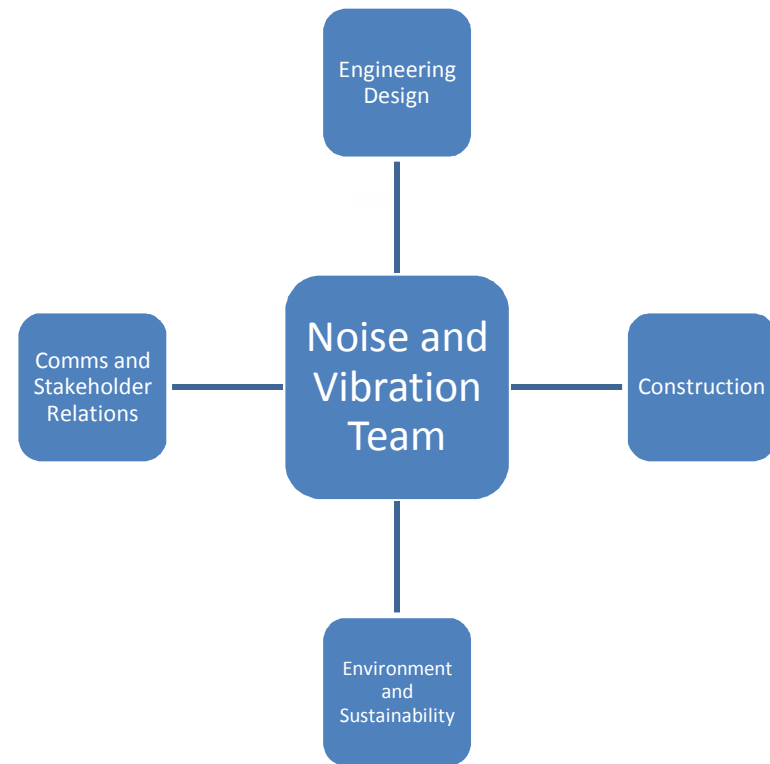
Key Considerations

- Airborne train noise*
- Structure borne re-radiated train noise
- Fixed infrastructure noise (such as substations)
- Station noise
- Station vibration
- Construction noise and vibration*
- Concrete batching plant noise
- ...

Taking a different approach...



vs.



Operational Noise

Design Feature	Predicted Change in Noise
New continuously welded rail track	5dB reduction
Direct fix using resilient pads	6dB reduction
New stations	0-5dB reduction
Removal of level crossings	6-8dB reduction
Reduction in horn soundings	3-6dB reduction
Noise wall	5-15dB reduction
Vibration isolation	0-10dB reduction
Change in gradient	4dB reduction to 1dB increase
Elevated structure	0dB increase

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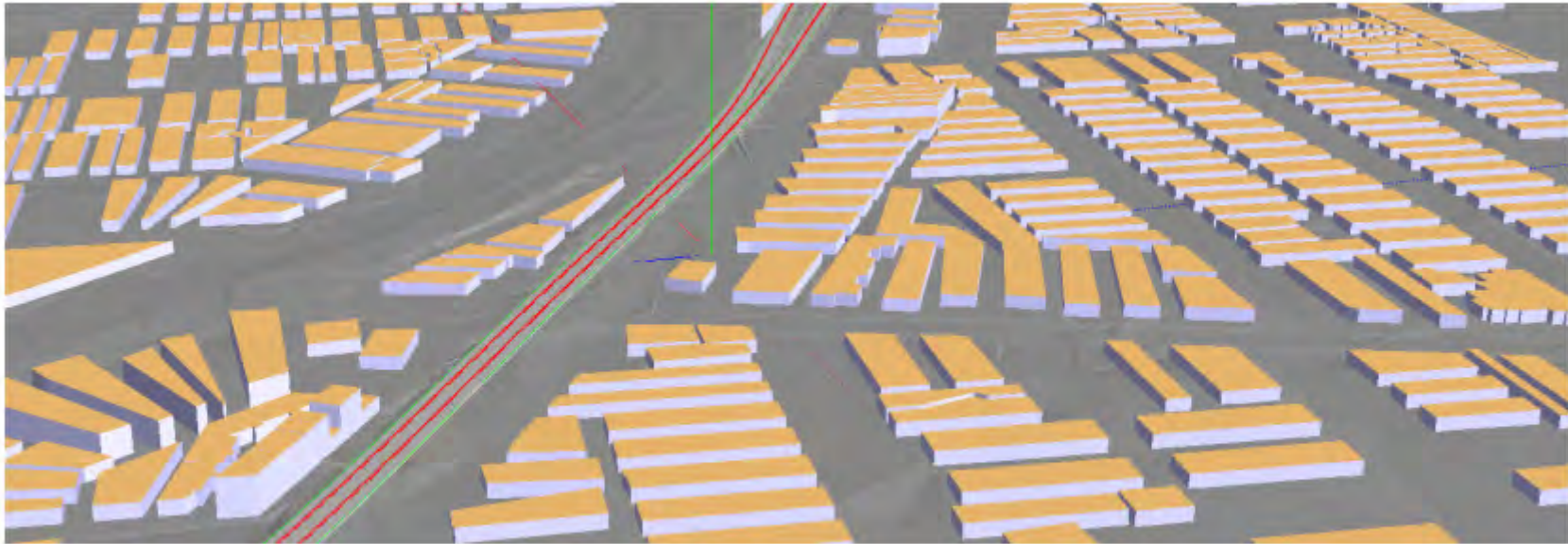


Figure 1: 3D model of at-grade and elevated scenarios

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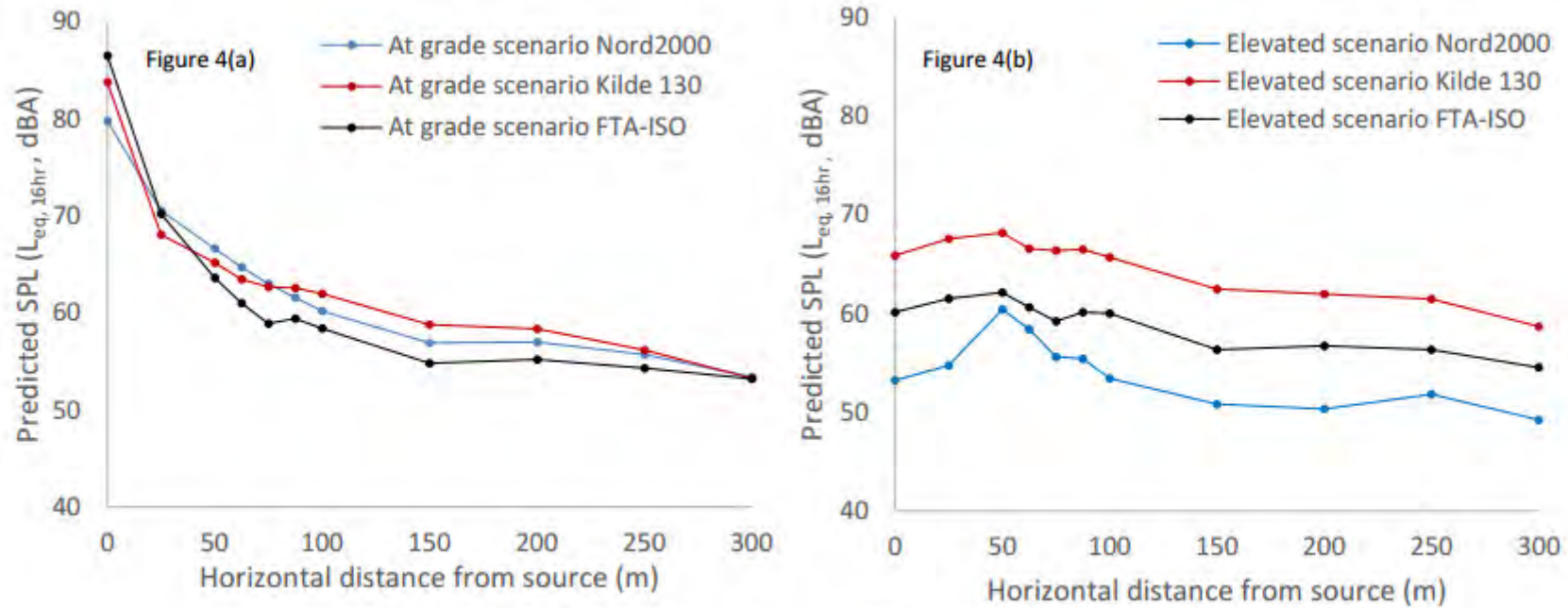


Figure 4: SPR $L_{eq,16hr}$ results for at-grade and elevated scenarios

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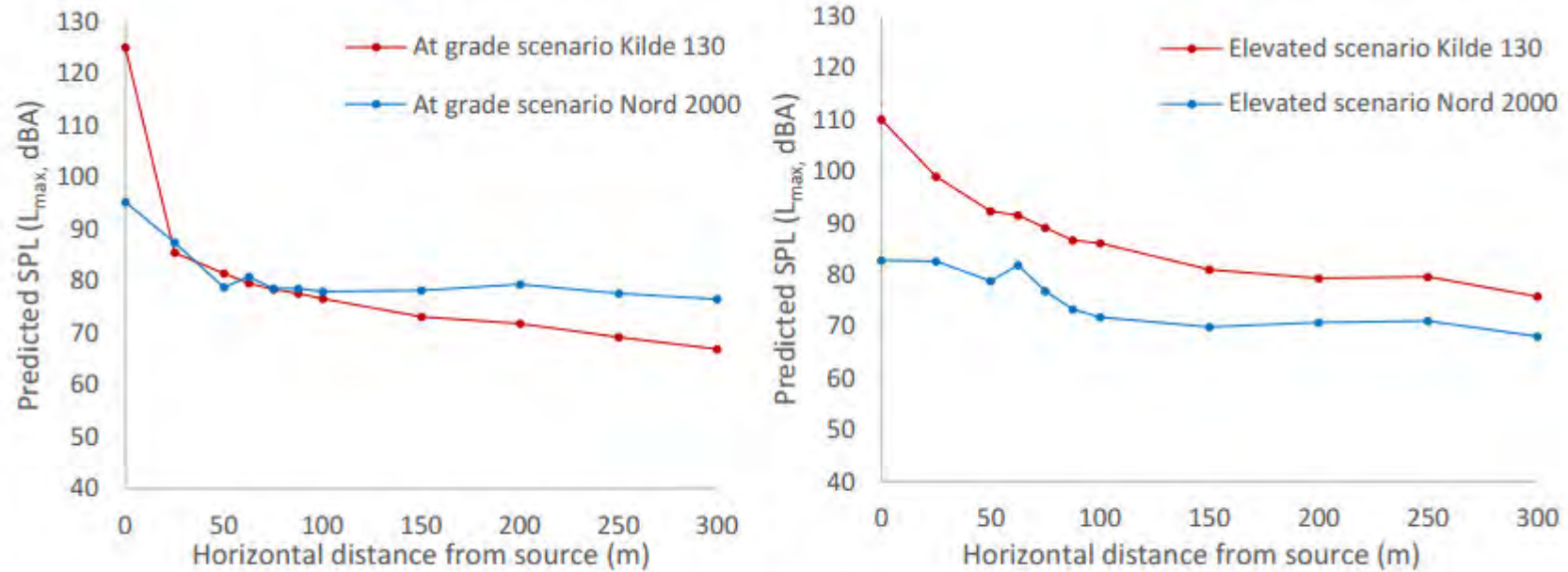


Figure 5: L_{max} results comparison between Kilde and Nord 2000

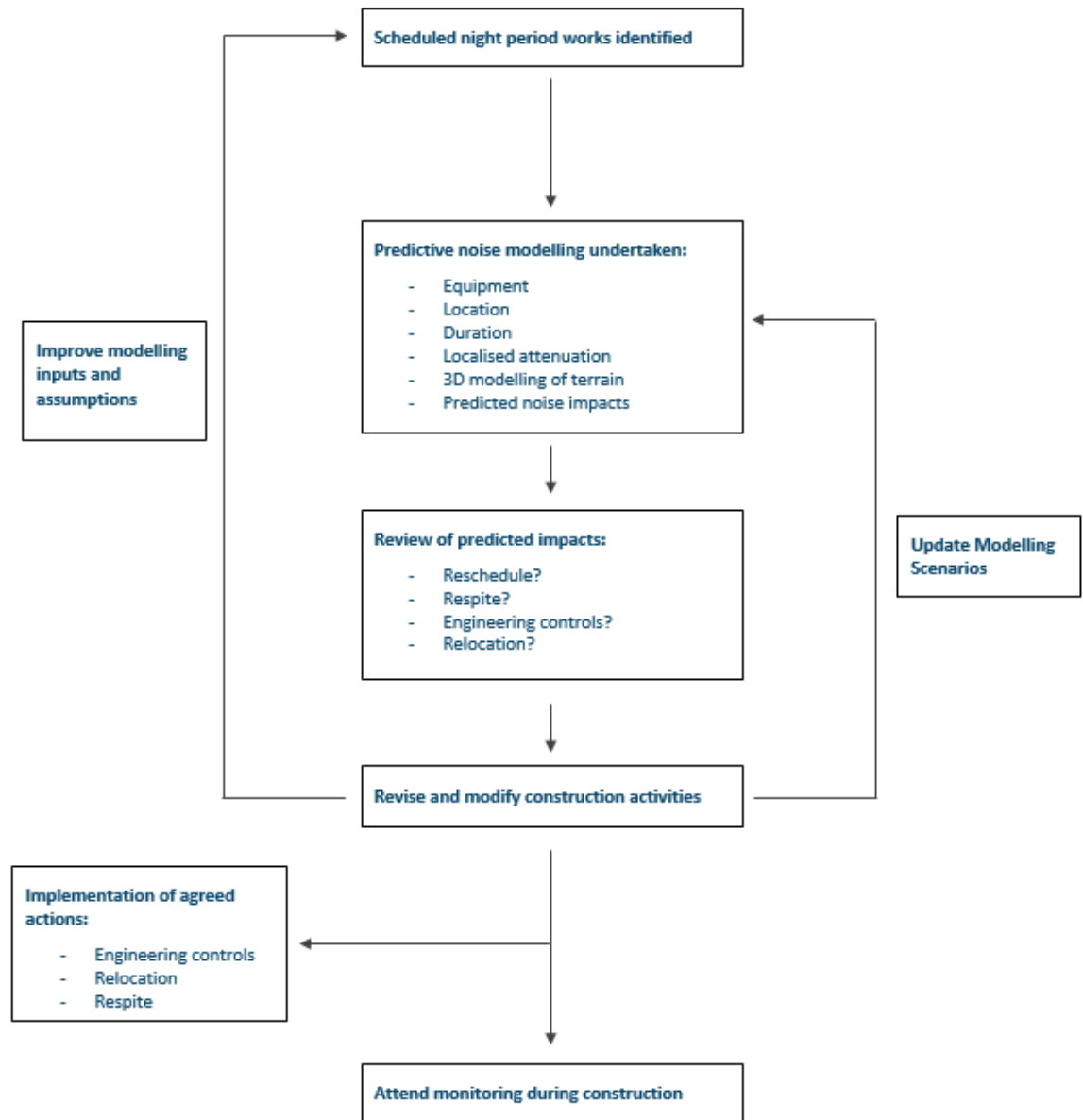




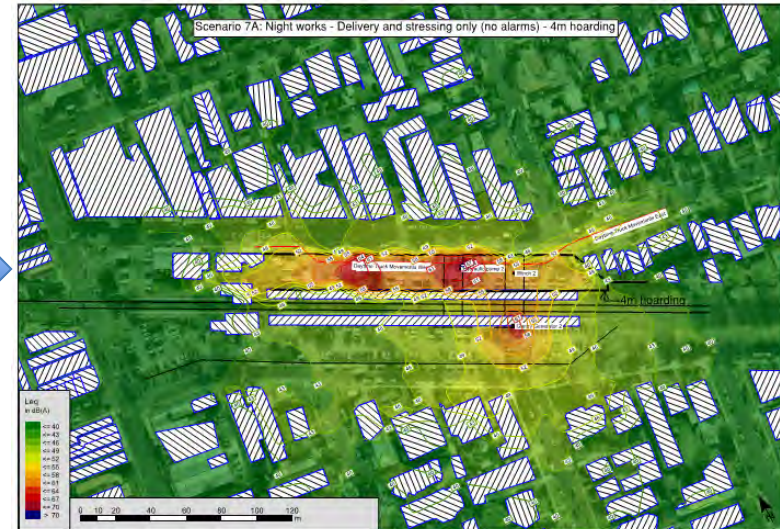
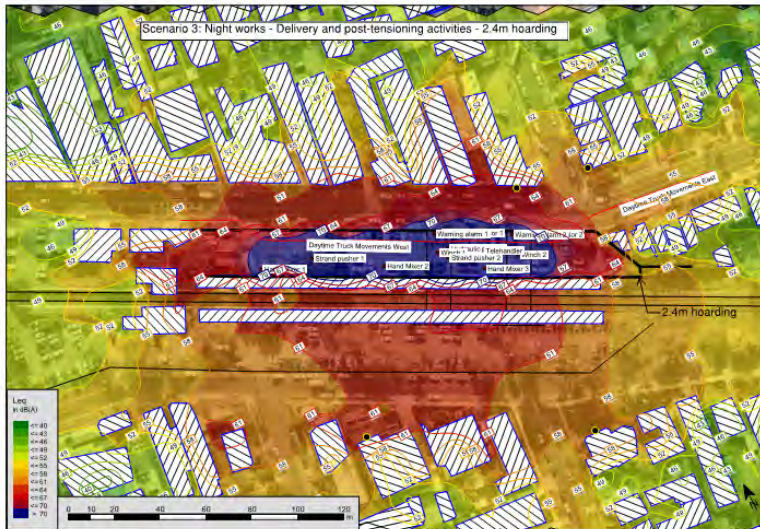
Nord 2000

- Most up to date modelling algorithm
- Calibrated inputs
- Multiple source heights
- Accounts for shielding of bridge structures
- Rail-specific source directivity
- Frequency dependent source inputs and propagation
- Aligns well with international literature (i.e. Japan)

Construction Noise



Key Considerations



Consultation

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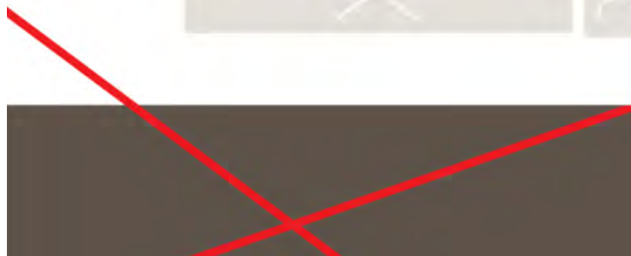
Senior Communications & Stakeholder Relations Adviser



During tender phase



On proposed design



On-going



Noble Park Station Before





Open space video

Available online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c0Dbkl8aw70>



Community Open Space Expert Panel

Membership

Chair: Professor Tim Entwisle, Chief Executive of the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria

Victoria Police

Bicycle Network

Universal Design

Landscape Design Architects

Victorian Government Architect

Councils and

Local community representatives



Open Space Ideas Hub



New public space and parkland

The Caulfield to Dandenong Level Crossing Removal Project's innovative design centers on three sections of modern elevated rail, which will create 22.5 hectares of community open space for new parks, playgrounds, sporting facilities and a range of other uses.

A Community Open Space Expert Panel has been established to oversee plans for the new public open space. For information on the panel visit [Community Open Space Expert Panel](#).

Tell us what you think

We want to hear what you think about some of the ideas the Community Open Space Expert Panel has generated - as well as your own creative ideas of how we can transform the rail corridor into an attractive and safe environment for Melburnians to enjoy!

[Take the survey now!](#)

Have your say by completing the survey (we will be conducting a number of surveys), contributing ideas via our [Community Ideas Hub](#) or by [joining in the discussion forum](#).

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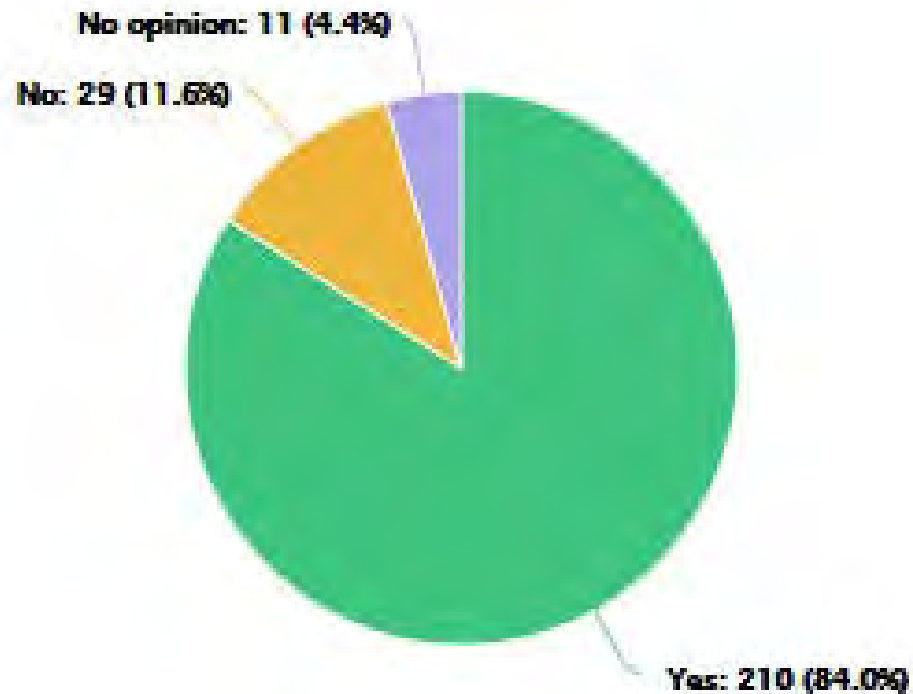
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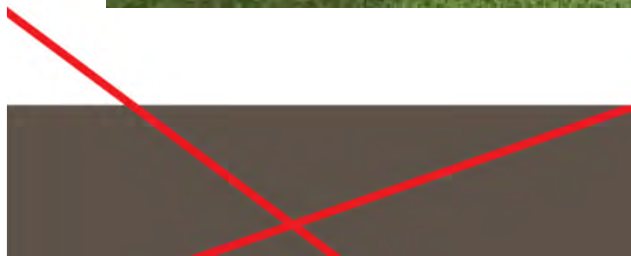
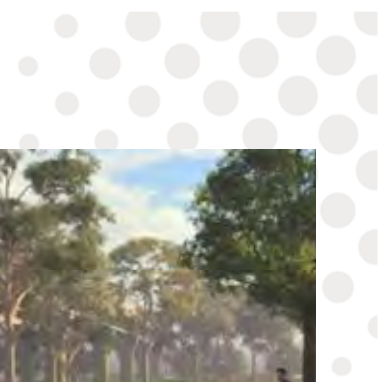
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Survey #1 feedback



Overall, would you support the pillars being used to create an outdoor art gallery?





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Noble Park Station After



Open space timeline

- Early 2018 Open space design finalised
- 2018 Open space landscaping complete
- 2018 Shared use path complete



Wrap up



Clayton Station