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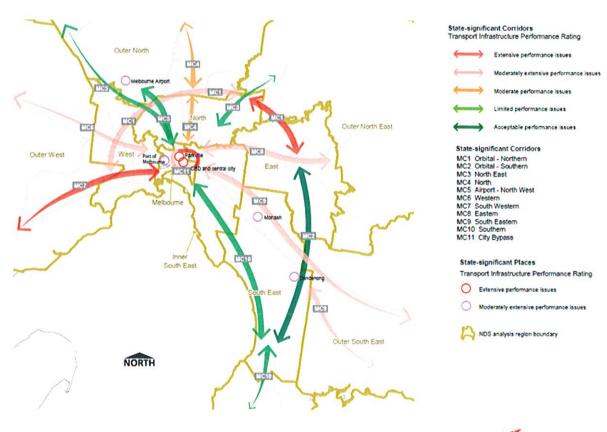
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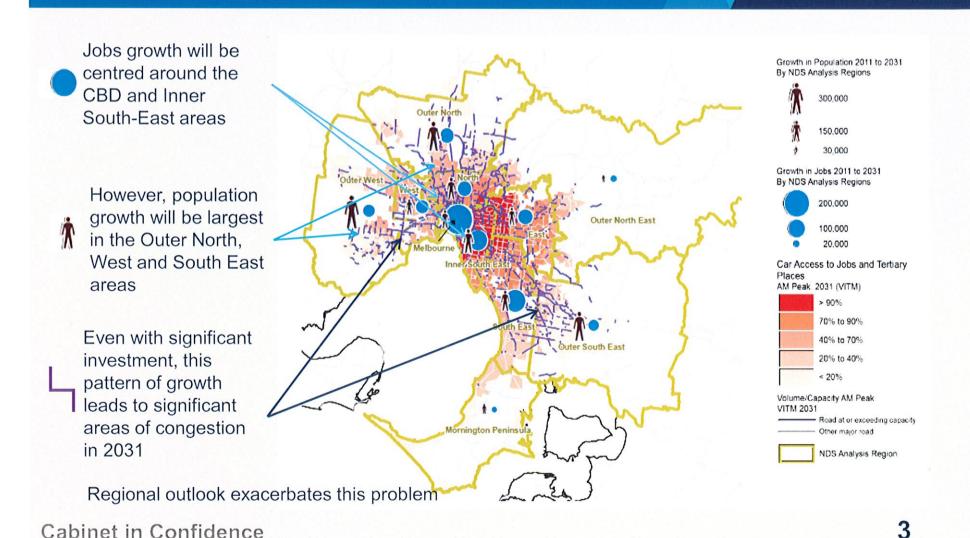


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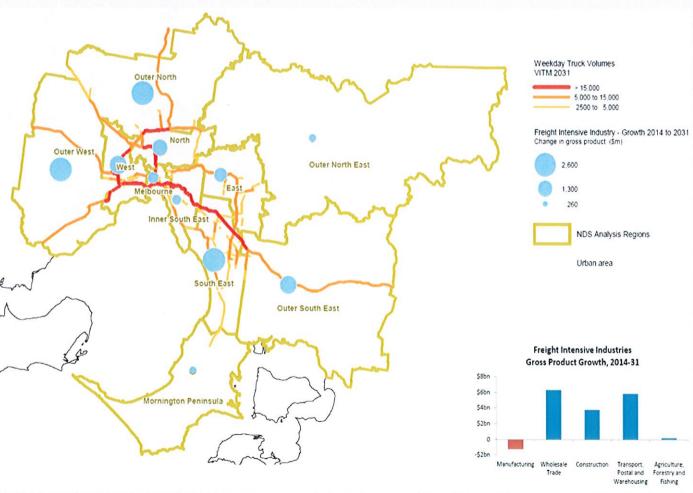
Performance Assessment
State-significant Metropolitan Corridors and Places

MAJOR CHALLENGE: POPULATION AND JOBS GROWTH MISMATCH

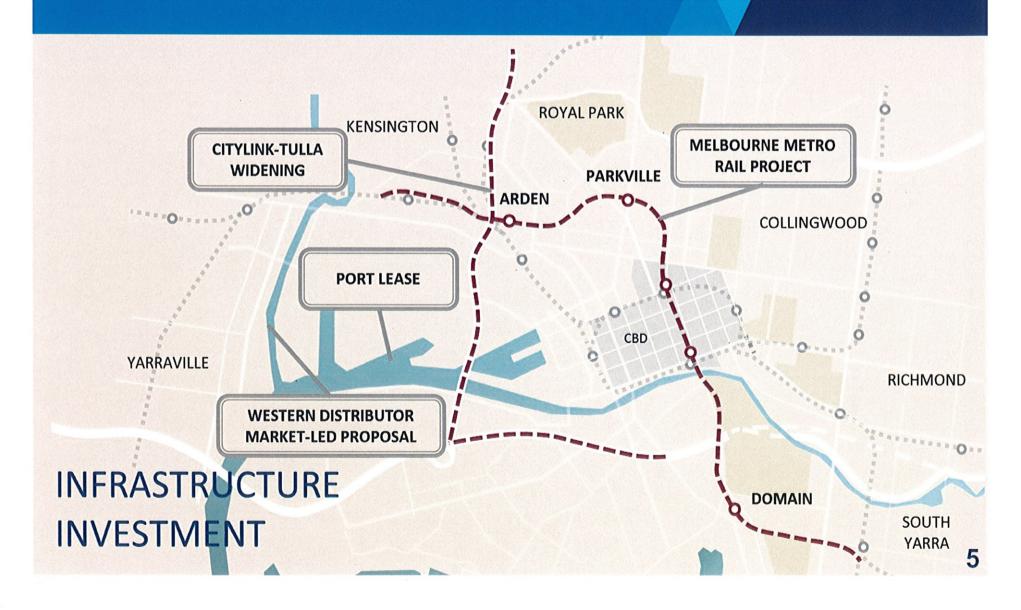


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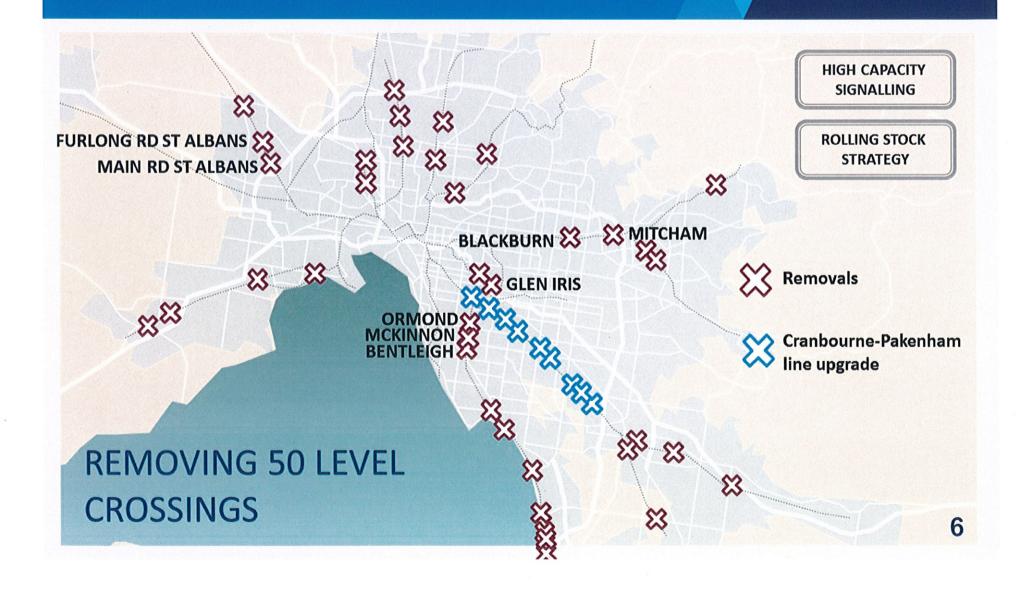
Rapid growth in the freight task driven by population increase, the spread of new industries and changing land use compounds the population and jobs growth challenge



MAJOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS - MELBOURNE



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KEY CHALLENGES

- Transport capacity on the M1 Corridor is inadequate relative to growing demand
- Melbourne is over-reliant on the West Gate Bridge that is currently operating at capacity (200,000 vehicles per day)
- Port and freight connections are inadequate for growth and cause reduced amenity in the west
- Increasing volumes of trucks impacting amenity in the inner west
- Lack of transport capacity is constraining population and economic growth of Melbourne's west

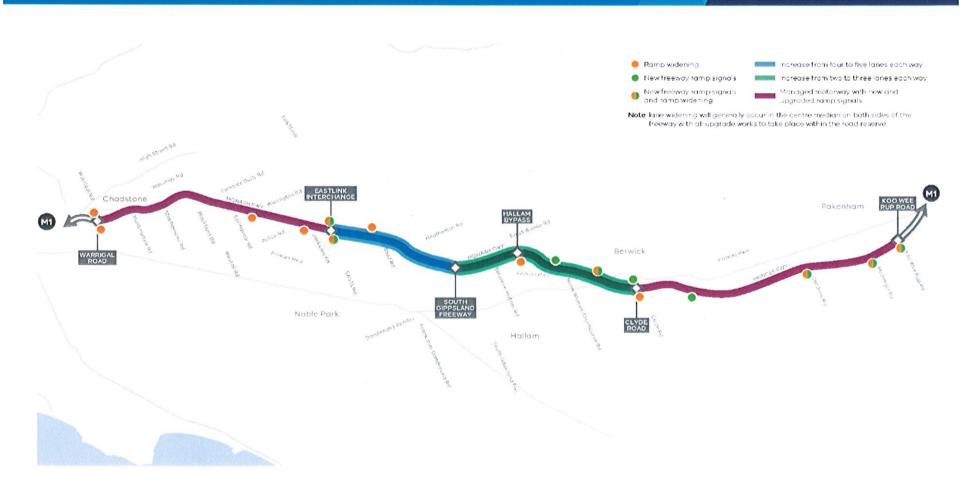
WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR OVERVIEW

- \$5.5 billion project with Victorian Government working in partnership Transurban
- 3 project elements:
 - Western Distributor
 - Monash Freeway Upgrade \$400m
 - Webb Dock Access improvements \$60m

WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR



MONASH FREEWAY UPGRADE



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- \$400 million project
- 45 kilometres of freeway upgraded
- An additional lane in each direction between EastLink and Clyde Road and new and improved ramp metering between Warrigal Road and Koo Wee Rup Road
- Project Objectives: Meet increased travel demand, Enhance connectivity between economic clusters, Enhance safety along M1 corridor, and Enhance access to jobs and services
- Benefits: Provide extra capacity for 2,000 vehicles during the peak including a 50% increase in Hallam Bypass capacity, cut travel times and make more reliable, and 20% reduction in serious crashes
- Will deliver the longest stretch of managed motorway in Australia
- · The project has gone to market and is proceeding

BENEFITS FOR VICTORIA

Increase in capacity for an additional 40,000 trips per day on the West Gate corridor

Cut travel time to Port of Melbourne by up to 50%

Reduce vehicle emissions by 2.3 million tonnes a year

Take up to 22,000 vehicles a day including 6,000 trucks off the West Gate Bridge

Take 50 to 75 per cent of trucks off Francis Street and Somerville Road

Make a return trip from the west up to 20 minutes faster

Extend truck bans in the inner west to reduce trucks by 28 per cent

Take up to 6,000 trucks off local streets in the inner west

Make driving safer and more reliable, reducing serious crashes by up to 55 a year

Build the missing link for cyclists on Federation Trail

Use smart technology to extend Australia's largest managed freeway network

Monash Freeway upgrade to increase Hallam Bypass capacity by 50%

Allow an extra 2,000 vehicles per hour during peak periods on the Monash

ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT



*Excludes wider economic benefits

\$11bn
boost to Victoria's GSP

5,600 Construction Jobs

PROJECT COMPONENTS

	Victorian Guidelines & Practice	Infrastructure Australia Guidelines for national comparison
Project component	BCR	BCR
Monash Freeway Upgrade only	4.2	8.4
Western Distributor only	1.1	1.3
Western Distributor Project	1.3	1.9
Western Distributor Project (including WEB's)	1.6	2.2

MILESTONES WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR

Community Consultation

· Community Consultation/Information Sessions

Land Owner Engagement commences

Tender

· D&C Eol released

· D&C RfT released

Contract Close

Planning Approvals

· Social and Environmental studies

EES Exhibition & Public Hearings

Key Approvals

· Construction period

April / May 2016

April 2016

May 2016

June/July 2016

November 2017

February – December 2016

February 2017 - July 2017

October - November 2017

December 2017 - June 2022

MILESTONES WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR (CONT)

Monash Freeway Upgrade

· D&C RfT released

4 March 2016

Contract Award

July 2016

Construction period

September 2016 – September 2018

Webb Dock Access Improvements

· Construction period

May 2016 - December 2017

PORT LEASE

- The Government's request for expressions of interest was released on 21 March. EOI submissions were received on 18 April, with their evaluation currently underway.
- It is expected that indicative bids from short-listed bidders will be due in mid-year. A binding bid stage will then follow.
- The Government expects to conclude the market engagement process by the end of October 2016.
- The process is subject to probity oversight and therefore I am limited in what I know and can share with the committee.

