We’ve reached a major milestone on the O’Herns Road upgrade, with the completion of major construction at the O’Herns Road and High Street intersection.

The O’Herns Road upgrade will improve traffic flow, provide direct access to the Hume freeway, and safer, more reliable journeys.

As part of the O’Herns Road Upgrade – stage 1 the roundabout has been converted to an intersection with traffic lights, slip and right turn lanes.

The changes provide safer journeys, better traffic flow and less congestion across Melbourne’s northern suburbs.

New on-road bike lanes have also been introduced to connect to nearby walking and cycling paths to increase rider safety.

We’ll continue minor construction works and landscaping at the intersection throughout 2019.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we completed this important upgrade.

Approximately 30,000 vehicles per day use the O’Herns Road and High Street intersection.

This number is expected to grow to 50,000 per day by 2031.

Image above: The new signalised intersection at the O’Herns Road and High Street intersection.

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Direct access to the Hume Freeway is on its way

Stage two of the O’Herns Road Upgrade is anticipated to begin in 2019, subject to environmental approvals.

This will deliver improved access to the Hume Freeway and the surrounding northern suburbs, and will significantly reduce traffic lengths in the area.

As part of O’Hern’s Road Upgrade – Stage Two, we will:

- build a full diamond interchange at O’Herns Road to give you direct access to the Hume Freeway
- build new signalised intersections at Edgars Road, Gateway Boulevard and Koukoura Drive
- widen O’Herns Road bridge over the Hume Freeway to help improve traffic flow to the new interchange and match the 4-lane section between Redding Rise and Epping Road
- add one lane in each direction on O’Herns Road between the Hume Freeway and Redding Rise
- add one new lane in each direction on the Hume Freeway between Cooper Street and O’Herns Road
- connect the shared walking and cycling paths on O’Herns Road from Redding Rise to the Hume Freeway and continuing on-road bike lanes on O’Herns Road.

Helping the CFA better protect the community

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The signalisation of the intersection gives the Epping CFA the ability to control lights at the intersection when required. This key safety upgrade will stop the CFA from getting stuck at traffic lights during an emergency response.

The CFA has access to a control box, giving them the ability to manage the signals and allow two trucks to be deployed at a time quickly and safely.

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Map and artist’s impression are for illustrative purposes only.
Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to improve traffic flow and road safety in Melbourne’s north.

In September to November 2018 we closed O’Herns Road for 9 weeks between High Street and Miller Street.

Closing O’Herns Road allowed us to complete a large amount of works safely behind barriers and ensure that the project could be completed as soon as possible.

Over the 9 week closure we:
- Laid over 3000 tonnes of asphalt
- Crushed over 2000 tonnes of rock
- Removed over 400 cubic meters of rock
- Worked over 17,820 hours

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