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Tram Grade Separation Projects update

Morphett Road Level Crossing Removal

We're raising the tram line over Morphett Road to get traffic moving

We are pleased to confirm the Australian and South Australian governments are jointly (50:50) funding \$200 million to remove the level crossing where the Glenelg tram line crosses Morphett Road, Morphettville.

This project will be delivered by the Tram Grade Separation Projects Alliance who is also removing the level crossings at Marion Road and Cross Road, Plympton and rebuilding the South Road Tram Overpass to accommodate the River Torrens to Darlington Project.

We've worked hard to co-ordinate activities to remove the three level crossings and rebuild the South Road Tram Overpass at the same time. This means we can make the most of the temporary closure of the Glenelg tram line in the second half of 2025 and reduce the impacts on local residents, businesses, road and public transport users.

Site investigations to inform planning are underway. Major construction will start in early 2025 and the level crossing will be removed by the end of 2025.



Removing another congested level crossing making your journey safer and more reliable



No more waiting at busy boom gates that are down up to 16 minutes in peak times



Quicker and safer trips for drivers and pedestrians



Smoother and safer journeys for cyclists, avoiding busy roads



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View from Morphett Road at Maxwell Terrace looking east



Why remove this level crossing?

Approximately 25,600 vehicles pass through this tram crossing each day and the boom gates are down for up to 16 minutes per hour during peak.

This causes significant delays, queuing, an increase in potential accidents as drivers take more risks and delays for public transport users.

Removing this congested tram level crossing from Morphett Road will make journeys safer and more reliable for everyone.

New overpass

Following extensive investigation work, a rail overpass has been determined the best solution for this location. Compared to an underpass, this approach will:

- Minimise the impact to the Morphett Road and Anzac Highway intersection.
- Significantly reduce the impacts to the surrounding environment, e.g. no property acquisition is required.
- Have the shortest construction time, minimising disruption.
- Protect the Sturt River and other ground water courses.
- Provide new public space under and around the overpass structure.
- Be delivered within the approved budget (an underpass cannot be delivered within the approved budget).

Key project features:

- New, safer and more accessible trams stops.
- Tram Stop 12 (Morphett) relocated eastward and combined with the Morphettville Racecourse.
- Tram Stop 13 (Glengowrie) rebuilt closer to Morphett Road.
- New open community space under the tram line.
- Elevated Mike Turtur Bikeway and shared use path alongside the tram line creating safer and smoother journeys.
- Upgrades to the Morphett Road and Anzac Highway intersection to further improve the flow of traffic, ease congestion and improve travel times and safety.

View from Maxwell Terrace looking north toward Morphett Road



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Tram line temporary closure

To fast-track construction and reduce impacts on residents, businesses, road and public transport users, we will be temporarily closing the Glenelg tram line.

We have co-ordinated activities so we can complete works at all four locations during the closure period.

The tram line closure will start in the second half of 2025. We will have the tram line ready for testing and commissioning late 2025 with services scheduled to resume late January 2026 in time for the return of school.

While the tram line is closed, trams will still operate from the Entertainment Centre through the City to the existing South Terrace Tram Stop. Services between the Entertainment Centre and Botanic Gardens will also continue.

Substitute buses will be in place during this time to service the remaining tram network between South Terrace and Glenelg.

Learn more

Visit our website

For more information about the Tram Grade Separation Projects, and to view our Morphett Road level crossing animation, visit our website: www.dit.sa.gov.au/TGSP

Community information sessions

We will be holding community drop-in sessions for all locations in the coming months.

It will be an opportunity to introduce our project teams, share concept designs, provide more information about on-site activities and timings, and provide an opportunity for us to hear from you about our urban design.

Register for updates

We will let you know of any upcoming early works, events, information sessions and exciting news about the project. To receive these updates please join our mailing list and stay up to date with all the latest TGSP news.

To register please:

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