

# Media Release

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## WORKS PROGRESSING AT BINGO MUNJIE CREEK

The Andrews Labor Government has improved access to East Gippsland's high country with the ongoing construction of a new, safer and stronger concrete structure on the Omeo Highway.

Crews are on site, completing substantial works to replace the 81-year-old timber bridge that runs across Bingo Munjie Creek, as part of the Labor Government's \$124 million *Building Works* package.

Half of the new concrete culvert units have been fixed in place on the new six-metre-long structure, and once finished will allow freight, tourists and locals to cross the creek more safely, accessing some of the region's most popular tourist hotspots including Anglers Rest, Mount Wills and Mitta Mitta.

Once complete, the \$2.2 million investment will see new wider traffic lanes on the approach to the crossing, safety barriers along the stretch and new road signs to further enhance safety for everyone travelling across Bingo Munjie creek.

Traffic has been diverted to travel over the new culverts to enable demolition and removal of the timber bridge. Once the old bridge has been removed the remaining culvert units can be placed.

Works are set to be completed later this year, weather permitting.

For more information about road improvement works happening across regional Victoria, head to [regionalroads.vic.gov.au](http://regionalroads.vic.gov.au)

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

*"This much needed upgrade to the Bingo Munjie bridge will provide a reliable option for freight and improve the journey for tourists and locals travelling through the area."*

*"We are delivering upgrades to bridges and culverts across regional Victoria as part of our Building Works package, supporting jobs on the ground and delivering better roads in our state like this project on the Omeo Highway."*

### Quotes attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Jane Garrett

*"By building a new crossing, we're making sure there's a safe and reliable way to cross over the creek for years to come."*

*"Once complete, the wider traffic lanes are going to make a significant difference to the freight operators and other motorists who use the Omeo Highway each day."*