

Media Release

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UPGRADES NEARING COMPLETION AT THREE STATIONS

Passengers on the Shepparton Line will soon benefit from more reliable and comfortable journeys – with upgrades nearing completion at Nagambie, Murchison East and Mooroopna stations.

The upgrades are paving the way for the new bigger and more modern VLocity trains to run on the line for the first time and come as part of Stage 2 of the Shepparton Line Upgrade, which is scheduled for completion later this year.

It includes platform extensions at all three stations to accommodate the new VLocity trains. Construction of the crossing loop extension at Murchison East has been completed, which will give the trains more room to pass each other in this section after commissioning works take place.

Asphalted car parking with accessible car parks will open to locals once works wrap up at the stations in coming months, as well as CCTV coverage of the platform and platform lighting, seating and shelter to improve safety.

Stage 2 of the Shepparton Line Upgrade also includes 59 level crossing upgrades between Donnybrook and Shepparton – with six crossing upgrades already finished.

Stage 3 of the Shepparton Line Upgrade – which will enable nine daily return services and trains to travel faster on the line – is targeted for completion in late 2023.

The Andrews Labor Government has invested \$436 million for the Shepparton Line Upgrade, with Stage 1 already complete, having delivered 10 extra weekly services along the line.

The Shepparton Line Upgrade is part of Regional Rail Revival, which is upgrading every passenger rail line in the state and creating more than 3,000 jobs and local supplier opportunities.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure Jacinta Allan

“It’s great to see upgrades nearing completion at these three stations – paving the way for the new bigger and more modern VLocity trains to run on the Shepparton line for the very first time later this year.”

“This will provide a huge benefit to passengers – making it easier for them to travel across our regional network with more reliable and comfortable services.”