Media Release

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A NEW ALTONA PIER IS ONE STEP CLOSER

Work on the new Altona Pier will soon get underway with a Victorian company appointed as the lead construction partner after a competitive tender process.

Simpson Construction Co. will build the new pier, which was designed with community input and funded as part of the Andrews Labor Government's \$24 million piers and jetties economic stimulus package.

Work will be scheduled to begin after the busy summer period to minimize disruptions to local businesses.

Removing the existing pier is one of the first tasks. New steel piles and concrete crossheads will form the substructure with the new pier also featuring an accessible low landing, circular seating areas and offering excellent fishing opportunities.

The new pier will be easily accessible from Altona's foreshore . It will include a 4.2-metre-wide deck constructed from timber, the community's preferred material.

A branching pier head will stretch 300 metres into Port Philip Bay, providing great access to nearby artificial reefs for fishers and divers. The pier head will provide an enjoyable place for people to walk and enjoy the views across the bay towards Melbourne's skyline.

The new design incorporates features that recognise the historic importance of the pier in Altona, including aligning the pier with Pier Street and reusing weathered timber from the existing pier in the new pier.

The Labor Government is investing in rebuilds and critical works at piers and jetties across the state, including at Williamstown, St Leonards, Flinders, Mornington, Rye, St Kilda, Hampton, Warneet, Flinders and Dromana,

For more information, to view the designs or to sign up to project updates, visit www.parks.vic.gov.au/projects

Quotes attributable to Minister for Ports and Freight Melissa Horne

"The community has been involved in this project from the outset and it's great to see that vision reflected in the new pier.

"The Altona Pier redevelopment will provide a better and safer destination for anglers, swimmers, and people who simply want to take a stroll."