

Media Release

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NEW V/LINE CEO ANNOUNCED

William Tieppo has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of V/Line following an extensive recruitment process.

Mr Tieppo brings more than two decades of transport sector experience to the role, including the Victorian Department of Transport and Planning's Deputy Secretary for Network Development and his most recent role as Deputy Secretary for Network Design and Integration.

During this time, Mr Tieppo successfully led the procurement of Victoria's largest ever rollingstock investment, managed the development and delivery of Victoria's freight and road safety plans, and oversaw the readiness and operations of major infrastructure projects.

Mr Tieppo lives in regional Victoria and previously worked at VicRoads as a Regional Director for South Western Victoria and Director of Regional Operations, in addition to executive positions at the City of Greater Geelong.

Mr Tieppo will commence as CEO on 25 August, leading a team of more than 2,700 employees delivering nearly 3,700 train and coach services to Victorians each week.

Mr Tieppo's appointment comes at a time of significant growth in our regional train network following the delivery of Labor Government's regional fare cap and investment in more train services across the V/Line network.

This includes the more than 90 services added to the V/Line timetable in 2024, including 88 new or extended weekend services on the Geelong line and a fourth weekend service on the Warrnambool line.

Warwick Horsley will continue as Acting CEO until Mr Tieppo commences and has played a vital part in the continuing transformation of the regional rail network, with upgraded lines, better trains and more services.

Quote attributable to Minister for Public and Active Transport Gabrielle Williams

"Mr Tieppo brings extensive leadership experience to V/Line that will help Victoria's regional train and coach network continue to grow, delivering more services and better connectivity for regional passengers."

"I congratulate Will on his appointment as CEO and thank Warwick for his leadership throughout his time acting in the role."

Quote attributable to V/Line Board Chair Howard Ronaldson

"We look forward to welcoming Will Tieppo into V/Line as we continue our focus on delivering high quality services on one of the worlds' fastest growing regional rail networks."