

Old Murray Bridge Refurbishment Project

Start of major works, temporary bridge closure and changed traffic arrangement across the bridge during construction

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking major refurbishment works on the Old Murray Bridge.

As the first major bridge spanning the Murray River in South Australia, Old Murray Bridge is a significant State Heritage structure and requires refurbishment to maintain its long-term structural integrity. This South Australian Government funded project will increase the bridge's life span by an estimated 30 years.

Major works will commence from Saturday, 14 May 2022 and are expected to be completed late 2023, weather permitting.

Refurbishment works will include:

- repainting the bridge to ensure long term corrosion protection of the steelwork and to improve its heritage amenity;
- cleaning, repair and repointing of the stone abutments and rebuilding the northern parapets (low stone barriers designed to protect the edge of the bridge) to their original height;
- upgrading road lighting to energy efficient LEDs;
- installing cathodic protection (for corrosion protection of iron piers);
- repair of Pier 26;
- upgrading pedestrian approach fencing to integrate with the existing heritage fencing;
- upgrading footpaths and drainage at the southern approach;
- installing interpretive signage to recognise the history of the area; and
- relocation of utility services to improve pedestrian access.

Upcoming temporary full closure of the bridge – from 8am to 4pm on Saturday, 14 May and Sunday, 15 May 2022

Ahead of major construction work commencing, the bridge will temporarily close from 8am to 4pm on Saturday, 14 May and Sunday, 15 May 2022. This closure is required to allow the work site to be safely established and temporary barriers and traffic management infrastructure installed.

During this time, detours will be via the Swanport Bridge. Please see the '*Detour routes for temporary bridge closures*' map included in this notice.

Upcoming change to the traffic arrangement across the bridge for the duration of the works – reduced to a single lane of traffic

Following the re-opening of the bridge at 4pm on Saturday, 14 May and 4pm on Sunday, 15 May 2022, the bridge will be reduced to a single lane of traffic.

This single lane arrangement will continue for the duration of the project, with temporary traffic lights in place to control the direction of the traffic at each end of the bridge.

To safely undertake these works, speed restrictions will be in place on the approaches to the bridge. Please see the '*Ongoing Traffic Plan*' map included in this notice.

Pedestrians and cyclists are advised to take care when travelling through the area. On-bridge access will be maintained for pedestrians and cyclists throughout the project, including during periods of temporary closure. Signage will be in place to direct pedestrians and cyclists on the bridge.

For safety reasons, the existing temporary restrictions to pedestrian and cyclist access underneath the bridge will continue for the duration of the project. Signage is in place to direct pedestrians and cyclists to alternative access and/or detours.

Access to local businesses and residences in the area will be maintained. Please continue to support the local businesses.

During the project, further temporary bridge closures will be required with advance notice provided via on site messaging boards and project updates. Please see details below to register for future project updates.

Link SA services will be affected during bridge closures and some delays may be experienced during the works period. For further information regarding any changes to bus stops, routes and timetables please see signage on bus stops or visit www.linksa.com.au

Delays are expected so please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and take extra care when workers are on site. Observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Access for emergency service vehicles will be maintained at all times during these works.

Some noise disturbance can be expected at times while these works are completed, however the works will be managed to minimise disturbance to nearby residents and businesses, as much as practically possible.

Environmental controls will be implemented to ensure there is no impact to the Murray River.

The Department appreciates your patience and cooperation whilst these important works are undertaken.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of the project team, please:

- call 1300 794 880
- visit www.dit.sa.gov.au/oldmurraybridge
- email dit.communityrelations@sa.gov.au
- register for project updates [here](#) or via the QR code below.



Kind regards

Old Murray Bridge Refurbishment Project Team

Come and meet the project team, learn more about the project and register to receive project updates

Murray Bridge Marketplace (top of escalators)

- 21/53 South Terrace, Murray Bridge
- Saturday, 7 May 2022

Drop in anytime between 10am and 2pm

Murray Bridge RSL (near front entrance)

- LOT 2 Ross Rd, Murray Bridge East
- Thursday, 12 May 2022

Drop in anytime between 4.30pm and 6:30pm



