

South Eastern Freeway Upgrade Project – Heysen Tunnels

Works Notification

As part of the South Eastern Freeway Upgrade, the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking a major upgrade of the Heysen Tunnels to address current tunnel elements nearing the end of their service life, improve safety and provide improved traffic management and incident response capabilities.

The Australian and South Australian governments are jointly funding the Heysen Tunnels Refit and Safety Upgrade, which is expected to be completed in the second half of 2024.

To minimise the impacts to road users, the majority of works are being undertaken Sunday to Thursday between 7pm and 6am. Main works are currently being undertaken in the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel.

Additional weekend night works are scheduled in the Crafers bound (up-track) tunnel each weekend from Friday 6 October 2023, until the end of November 2023.

The additional works will be undertaken on Friday and Saturday nights between 8pm and 6am (with traffic restrictions commencing from 7pm) each night. During these works, the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel will accommodate traffic in both directions, via contraflow (see map over the page for detail).

Outside of the weekend closure times, the works in the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel will continue Sunday to Thursday, with traffic restrictions in place between 7pm and 6am. During these closure times, the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel will be closed, and the Crafers bound (up-track) tunnel will accommodate traffic in both directions, via contraflow.

While tunnel works are being undertaken, speed will be restricted to 40km/h in both directions on the approach to the tunnels and through the open tunnel.

Additional Work Activities

Additional activities will also be undertaken in several locations on the South Eastern Freeway and Mount Barker Road in the vicinity of the Heysen Tunnels.

These activities include the upgrade of the water storage tanks which supply water to the Heysen Tunnels fire suppression system, and drainage works within the South Eastern Freeway road corridor.

In preparation for the new tank installation, site survey, service location works and vegetation removals will be undertaken on Mount Barker Road, Monday to Friday between 7am and 5pm from Tuesday, 3 October 2023. These activities will be completed in April 2024, weather permitting. Temporary tanks will be installed whilst the new tanks are built. Work will only be undertaken on weekends if required, and local residents will be notified in advance.

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During these works, traffic management arrangements will be in place, with speed restricted to 40km/h in both directions on Mount Barker Road, Leawood Gardens on the approach to the work site. **Traffic arrangements will return to normal at 6pm each day.**

Vegetation removals for the drainage works will commence following the vegetation works for the tanks.

Changed traffic conditions

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 and to all safety ramps will be maintained at all times during these works and there is no change to public transport services. In the event of a bushfire in the area, if required, works will cease and the tunnels will reopen.

The Department appreciates your patience and co-operation whilst these important works are undertaken.

For more information on the project and to subscribe for project updates, please:

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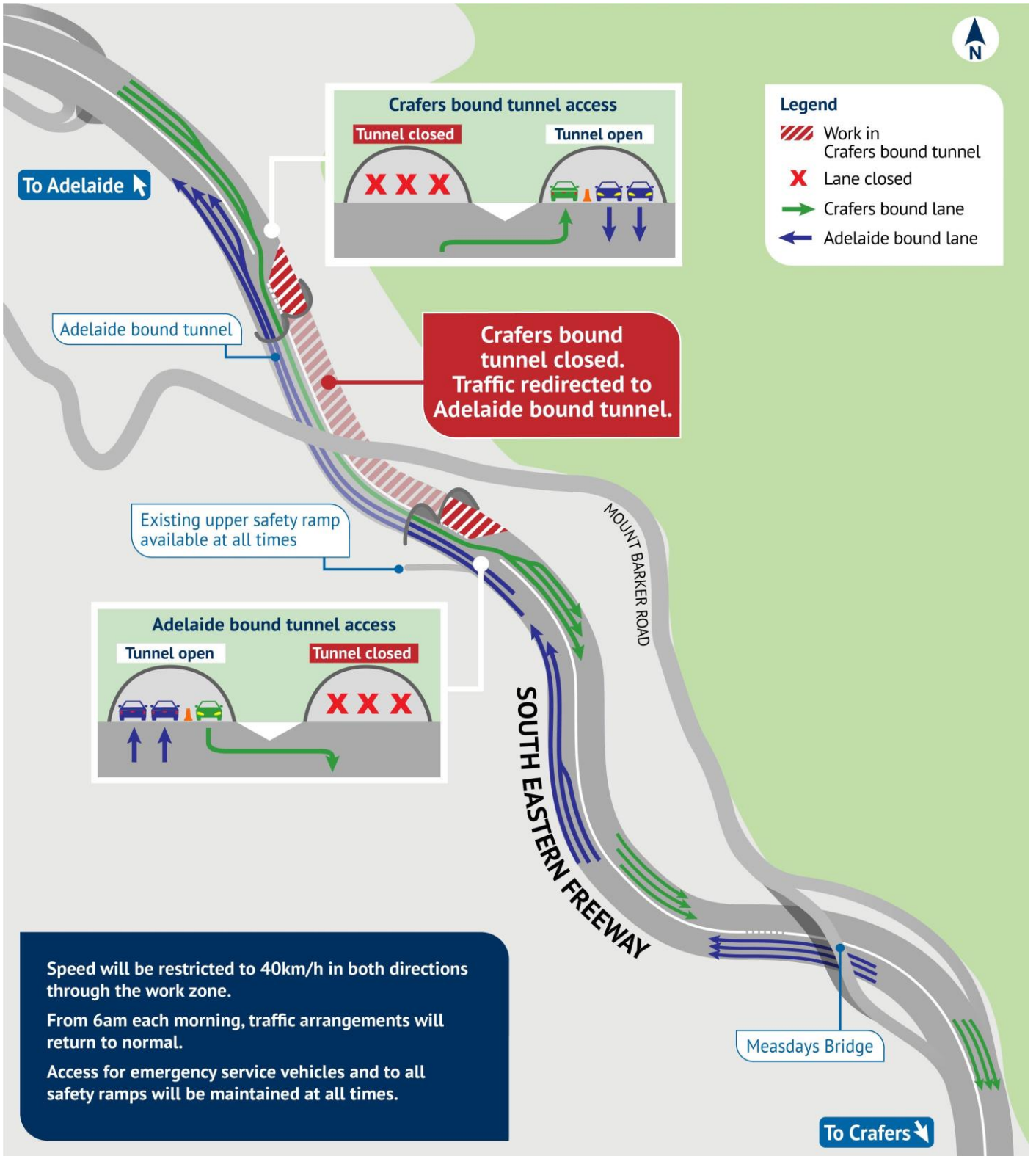
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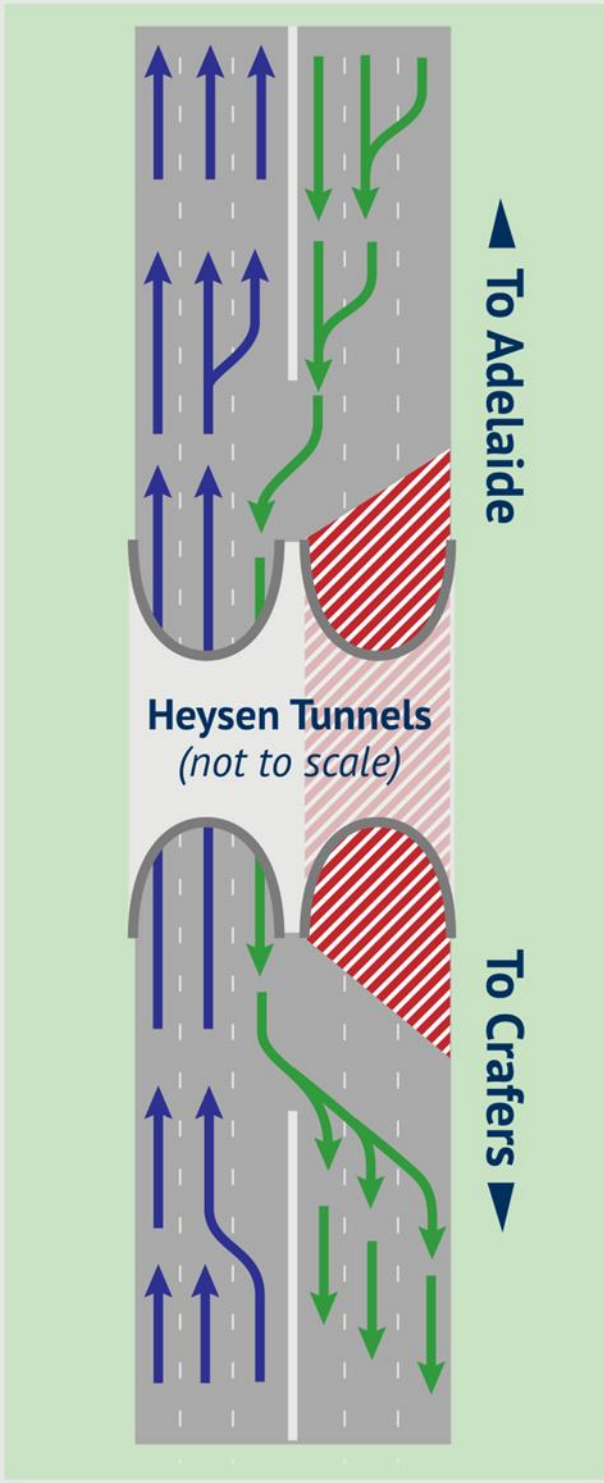
Kind Regards
South Eastern Freeway Upgrade Project Team

**Heysen Tunnels, Crafers Tunnel:
October and November 2023 Weekend Works Traffic Restrictions**

From Friday, 6 October 2023, on Friday and Saturday nights between 8pm and 6am (with traffic restrictions commencing from 7pm) each night.

On completion of each weekend shift, works will recommence in the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel from 7pm, each Sunday.





Legend

-  Work in Crafers bound tunnel
-  Crafers bound lane
-  Adelaide bound lane