

South Eastern Freeway Upgrade

Works Update – Heysen Tunnels Temporary Traffic Restrictions

We'll be testing new safety equipment installed as part of the Heysen Tunnels upgrade.

What's happening

We've recently installed new safety equipment in and on the approaches to the Heysen Tunnels. We're continuing to test the equipment, including related roadway signage, to ensure all systems operate correctly.

You may notice some smoke coming from the tunnels during the testing process. This smoke is non-toxic, and there is no risk to public safety.

How this affects you

To minimise impacts to road users, we'll be undertaking the testing at night, and there will be some changes to traffic conditions during the testing process.

Some nights, we'll need to close one tunnel for testing. Traffic in both directions will use the other tunnel with a contraflow arrangement in place.

Other nights, we'll need to close one or both tunnels and their approaches and divert traffic via Mount Barker Road. Please read over the page for planned traffic arrangements during this time.

When

Saturday 11 January 2025 to
Sunday 19 January 2025,
weather permitting

Hours of work

7pm to 6am (each night)

Where

South Eastern Freeway,
Adelaide-bound and Crafers-
bound Heysen Tunnels and
approaches

More information

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The following traffic arrangements will be in place:

Adelaide-bound traffic

7pm to 9pm	Initial speed and lane restrictions for Adelaide-bound traffic.
9pm to 6am	All road users , including emergency services and heavy vehicles , will need to detour via Mount Barker Road (Eagle on the Hill).

Crafers-bound traffic

7pm to 11pm	Initial speed and lane restrictions for Crafers-bound traffic.
11pm to 6am	Heavy vehicles will be able to use the South Eastern Freeway but will need to wait for the freeway to reopen after short intermittent closures in the vicinity of the Heysen Tunnels. Each closure will extend for approximately 15 minutes.
	All other road users , including emergency services , will need to detour via Mount Barker Road (Eagle on the Hill).

We'll notify road users about upcoming detours via onsite messaging boards.

Speed and lane restrictions will be in place. Please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and follow the detour signs and direction of traffic management staff. We'll have temporary electronic signs in place to direct road users while the permanent electronic signs are being tested.

Although delays may occur, there will be no change to public transport services.

Safety ramps are available on Mount Barker Road (Eagle on the Hill) and the South Eastern Freeway (safety ramp between Heysen Tunnels and Tollgate).

In the event of a bushfire, other emergency, or on catastrophic fire days, all lanes will be open in both tunnels and posted speed limits will be reinstated for both carriageways.