

# South Eastern Freeway Upgrade Project – Heysen Tunnels

## Start of initial activities – Crafers bound tunnel

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking a major upgrade of the Heysen Tunnels to address current tunnel elements that are at the end of their service life, improve safety and provide improved traffic management and incident response capabilities.

The upgrade will include the design and installation of new tunnel lighting, ventilation, fire suppression and Intelligent Transport Systems.

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

**Initial activities, including additional investigation works and the start of tunnel lining repairs are planned to start from Sunday, 19 March 2023.**

To minimise the impacts to road users, the majority of works will be undertaken **Sundays to Thursdays between 8pm and 6am**. It is not anticipated that works will be undertaken on **Friday and Saturday nights, or on public holidays**, however advance notice will be provided by on site messaging boards if this changes.

**From Sunday, 19 March 2023, the Crafers bound (up-track) tunnel will close between 8pm and 6am**. During these closure times, the Adelaide bound (down-track) tunnel will accommodate traffic in both directions, via contraflow (see map over the page for detail).

Works are expected to continue in the up-track tunnel for approximately two months. Further updates about this project and associated impact will be provided.

## Changed traffic conditions

During works, speed will be restricted to 40km/h in both directions on the approach to the tunnels and through the down-track tunnel.

**From 6am each morning, traffic arrangements will return to normal. The up-track tunnel will reopen and posted speed limits will be reinstated for both carriageways.**

Advance notice of changes to traffic management will be provided via on site messaging boards, project updates and social media.

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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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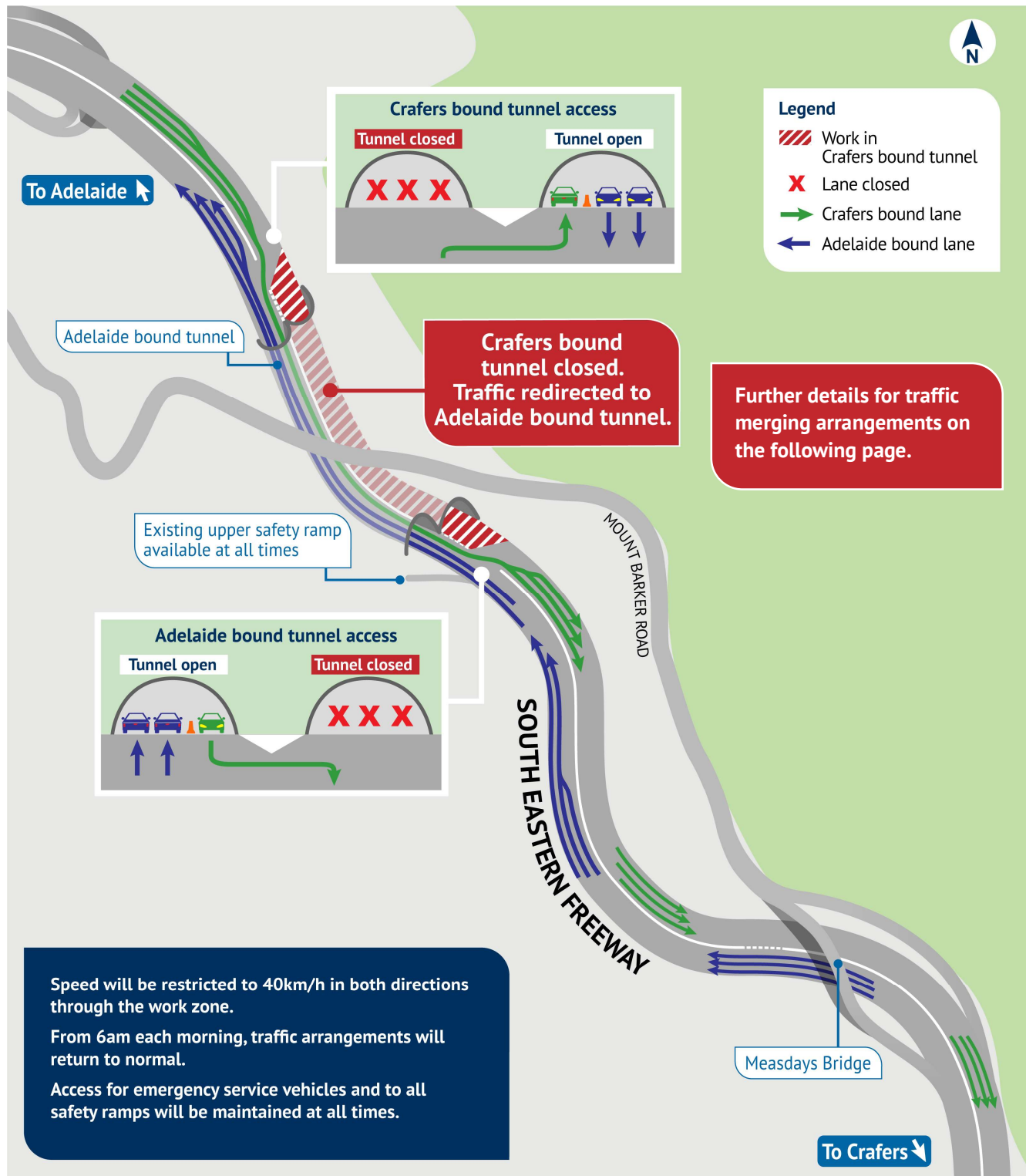
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Heysen Tunnels Safety Upgrade Project Team

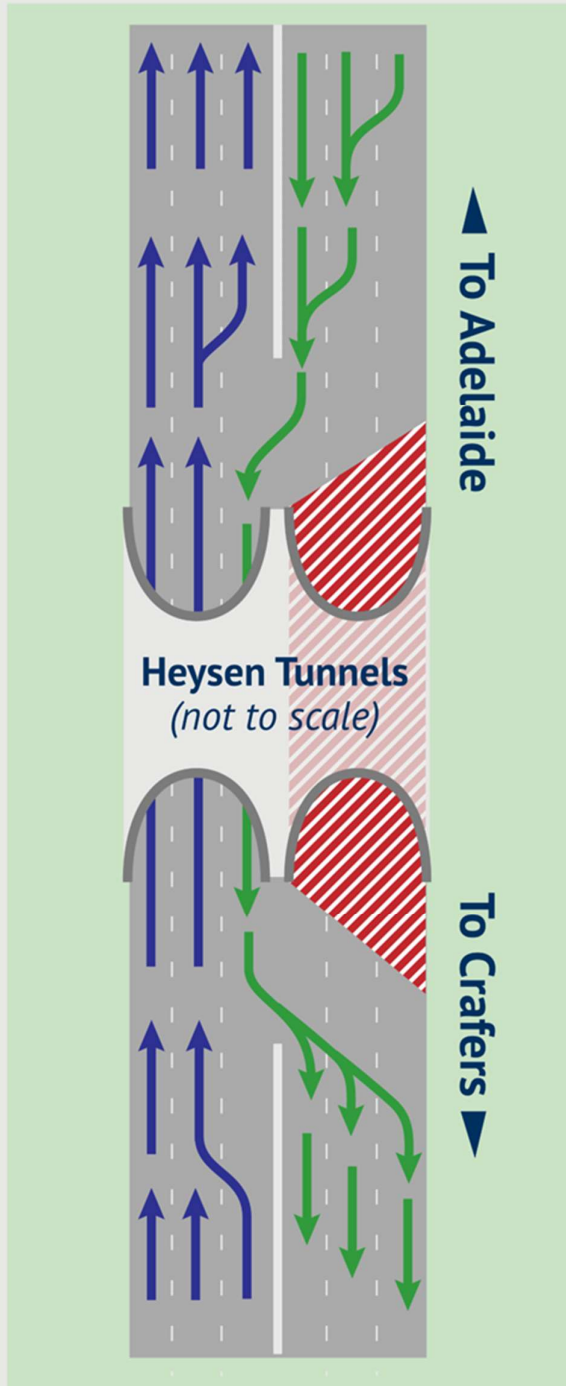
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# Heysen Tunnels, Crafers Tunnel: Night Works Traffic Restrictions


From Sunday, 19 March 2023






**Legend**

 Work in Crafers bound tunnel

 Crafers bound lane

 Adelaide bound lane