

Jack Roper Reserve (CSL) Retarding Basin Upgrade

Community Update

July 2018

Work to upgrade the Jack Roper Reserve (CSL) Retarding Basin is almost complete.

Melbourne Water is pleased to announce that works to upgrade the Jack Roper Reserve (CSL) Retarding Basin is almost complete. These works will ensure the continued integrity and stability of the retarding basin.

What we've been up to

Works at the Retarding Basin between March through to June 2018 have included:

- Excavation of a trench across the top of the embankment, backfilling the trench with sand and widening the grassed spillway. This work improves drainage and provides greater embankment stability in the event of a heavy rainfall event.
- Construction of a temporary shared use path that connects John Street to the M80 shared use path and links both pathways to Merlynston Creek.
- Construction has started on the new permanent shared use path which will replace the temporary path currently there.



Figure 1: Temporary shared use path

What's to come?

- Removal of trees and vegetation from the embankment.
- Removal of the temporary shared use path.
- Reinstating the M80 shared user bike path and VicRoads noise wall.
- Reinstating the grassed areas with hydroseed.
- Completing construction of the new permanent shared use path that connects John Street to the M80 shared use path and links both pathways to Merlynston Creek.

Reinstatement

Following discussions with Moreland City Council, Melbourne Water will plant native vegetation along the new shared use path and along Merlynston Creek pathway, to offset trees that require removal during retarding basin upgrade works. Planting will be completed in August 2018, as the weather begins to warm up for Spring.

We will be reinstating all grassed areas impacted from works with hydroseed. Hydroseed is a mixture of seed, water and mulch that produces grass growth faster than regular seeding. Fencing will remain in place to protect hydroseed and encourage growth. The fencing will be removed around these hydroseed areas once the grass has established.



Figure 2 & 3: Backfilling the trench with a sand filter (2) and the sand filter trench completed (3)

Thank you

Melbourne Water would like to thank the community and local businesses for their patience and understanding during these essential works.

Community survey

In the coming weeks an independent company will undertake a survey on behalf of Melbourne water about communication activities for the project.

You may be contacted by a representative from the company and we encourage you to participate by letting them know what we did well and where we can improve.

Keep up to date with what's happening

For more information about this project or our other activities please call **1800 571 926** or email **RBupgrades@melbournewater.com.au**



For an interpreter, please call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) on 13 14 50



Like us

facebook.com/melbournewater



Follow us

[@MelbourneWater](https://twitter.com/MelbourneWater)



Visit us

www.melbournewater.com.au