

# Monbulk Creek Network Upgrade

June 2026

**Healthy waterways are essential to our native wildlife and to our way of life today, tomorrow and for generations to come.**

As part of the Monbulk Creek Smart Water Network program, delivered by Melbourne Water in partnership with Yarra Ranges Council and South East Water, we're upgrading Belgrave Lake over the coming months.

These works aim to restore urban waterways, reduce stormwater impacts and protect endangered platypus habitats and aquatic life.

## What are we doing?

Works began in February and we have now completed the first stage:

- excavation for new pipes, pipe laying and backfilling
- installation of new technology, including flow meters, level sensors and a control cabinet for remote operation.

We've also removed our site shed from the lower car park at Belgrave Lake Park. Our next stage of works are:

- installation of solar panels which will supply power. The solar panels will power the remote-controlled vales from the pipes, water level sensors and solar power controls
- testing and activation of the new water release system.

Once works are finished, the area near the weir wall will house a new pump cabinet and pipework, both protected by a secure safety enclosure. All work-affected areas will then be reinstated and re-grassed.

## What to expect

To complete this work, the portion of Judkins Avenue near the lake will remain temporarily closed from **mid-2026 until late September**. During this time, intermittent road closures will be required on Judkins Avenue.

We'll make every effort to minimise construction impacts to the surrounding community during works, however you may notice:

- some noise, dust and vibration from machinery
- an increase in construction crews, vehicles and equipment
- traffic management in place to help guide motorists, bike riders and pedestrians safely through the area.

## Working hours

We will be working **Monday to Friday, 7am to 5.30pm**. Dates and times may change subject to weather conditions.

## Location of works

The works will take place at **Belgrave Lake, Judkins Avenue in Belgrave**. During this time there will be changes to the way you get around and we thank you for your patience while we complete this work.

## How to get involved

Is your property eligible for the Tanks for Platypus program? Learn how you can help to protect local wildlife through the Monbulk Creek Smart Water Network's Tanks for Platypus program by:

- scanning the QR code
- visiting [yarraranges.vic.gov.au/tanksforplatypus](http://yarraranges.vic.gov.au/tanksforplatypus)
- emailing [tanksforplatypus@yarraranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:tanksforplatypus@yarraranges.vic.gov.au)
- or calling 1300 368 333.



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### MORE INFORMATION

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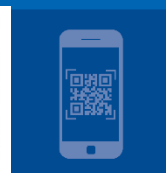


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