



Bellarine Railway Rehabilitation Stage 2 Project Status Update

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General

Following the project commencement notice that was published on Bellarine Railway's website (link here: [Bellarine Railway Track Upgrade | The Bellarine Railway:](#)) monthly project status updates will be published to inform communities and local residents of the project.

Project Progress since last update

Following activities have been undertaken since the last update:

- More materials (sleepers and fasteners) have been procured and delivered to Bellarine Railway.
- Planning permit approval from City of Greater Geelong from Drysdale Station to Lakers Siding.

Project Progress – Upcoming Works

Following activities are confirmed to commence on sites over the 4 weeks:

- Continuation of material procurement
- Testing of tamping machine
- Welding works at Andersons Rd
- Preparation works: rail plating along corridor
- Preparation works: timber sleeper boring at Lakers Siding
- Obtaining permits and approvals from relevant authorities from Lakers Siding to Queenscliff Station



Project Schedule

Following schedule is anticipated to occur:

Proposed Works:	Start Date:	Completion Date:
Permits & Approvals:	In progress	October
Welding works at Andersons Rd:	26 th September	14 th October
Pre-plating of rails along rail corridor:	3 rd October	7 th October
Pre-boring of timber sleepers at Lakers Siding:	3 rd October	9 th November
Rerailing & Re-sleepering	Commencing in October	January 2023
Ballast Distribution & Tamping	TBC	TBC

Heavy machinery will be in use for off-track preparation works. During the times noted above, please be aware of the presence of heavy machinery along the rail corridor, particularly at Andersons Rd and Lakers Siding.

Permits & Approvals

Accuraco and Bellarine Railway are working closely with local councils and DELWP to ensure appropriate permits and approvals are received prior commencing major works on the rail corridor. Planning permit has been approved by City of Greater Geelong for the section of the corridor between Drysdale Station to Lakers Siding. The remaining section of the corridor is subject to receiving approval from DELWP, which is currently underway.

Stay Informed

As the project progresses, we will keep the community updated via advertising, website updates, letterbox drops and signages.

We will endeavour to provide clear and transparent regular updates on the project, as well as providing sufficient notice to nearby landowners and community groups of upcoming works and of its potential impact to their everyday activities.

Any queries or questions can be submitted to: Projects@bellarinerailway.com.au

Regards

Geelong Steam Preservation Society