

Notice to River Users - river closures, works, and events

Notice Issued 13 November 2025

As Waterway Manager under the *Marine Safety Act 2010*, Parks Victoria wishes to advise the following waterway closures and activities on the Yarra River, Maribyrnong River and Victoria Harbour.

Events

Yarra River

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Location
Saturday 15 November 2025	07:30 – 17:30	Rowing Victoria – Melbourne Head Regatta	Closed	Yarra River – Upper end of VRA landing to Powerhouse Landing
Saturday 22 November 2025	06:30 – 16:00	Hawthorn Rowing Club – Head of the Yarra	Closed	Yarra River – VRA landing to Hawthorn Bridge
Monday 17 Tuesday 18 Wednesday 19 November 2025	All day/night	City of Melbourne – 2025 Christmas River Show build and installation	Open	Yarra River – Henley Landing, Build Rig #1, #2, and #3 will be built and secured to the landing (facility will be lit)
Thursday 20 November 2025	07:00 – 18:00	City of Melbourne – 2025 Christmas River Show build and installation	Open	Yarra River – Crown Casino, light show infrastructure will be towed and anchored outside of Crown
Friday 28 November 2025 to Thursday 25 December 2025	21:00 – 23:00	City of Melbourne – 2025 Christmas River Show	Open	Yarra River – Crown Casino, light and water show each night
Friday 26 December to Wednesday 31 December 2025	07:00 – 18:00	City of Melbourne – 2025 Christmas River Show demobilisation	Open	Yarra River – Crown Casino and Henley Landing, demobilisation of the light show infrastructure

Victoria Harbour

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Location
Wednesday 31 December 2025	Details TBC	New Year's Eve Fireworks <i>Note: Pending approval, dates to be confirmed</i>	Closed	Victoria Harbour

Maribyrnong River

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Location
Saturday 15 November 2025	09:00 – 17:00	Dragon Boat Victoria – Australian Corporate Games	#Open	Maribyrnong River - Footscray Rowing Club hosting event, operating between Farnsworth Bridge and Lynch's Bridge
Saturday 13 December 2025	08:00 – 16:00	Essendon Rowing Club – 2025 Henley on the Maribyrnong	#Open	Maribyrnong River – Holmes Road to the Afton Street Footbridge
Sunday 14 December 2025	09:30 – 14:00	Strathcona Girls Grammar – “The Strathy Regatta”	#Open	Maribyrnong River – Raleigh Road Bridge to Essendon Rowing Club
Friday 13, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 February 2026	07:00 – 16:00	Paddle Victoria – 2026 National Canoe Polo Summer Series Event #4 Note: Pending approval, dates to be confirmed	#Open	Maribyrnong River – Two Pitches will be allocated on the river outside of the Essendon Canoe Club

Works

Yarra River

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Restriction to navigation
7 July – 12 December 2025 15 April – 5 May 2026	All hours	Princes Bridge renewal works – Stage 3	Partially closed	Yarra River – Full closure of northern arch. Central and southern arches are available for transit. <i>Berth 1 Federation Wharf will be closed. Berth 6 may be used for loading passengers.</i> See appended gazette notice
12 December 2025 – 15 April 2026	All hours	Princes Bridge renewal works – Stage 3	Partially closed	Yarra River – Partial closure of northern arch – reduced clearance and channel width. Signage in place. <i>Berth 1 Federation Wharf will be closed. Berth 6 may be used for loading passengers.</i> See appended gazette notice
5 May – 12 August 2026	All hours	Princes Bridge renewal works – Stage 3	Partially closed	Yarra River – Full closure of centre arch. Southern and northern arches available for transit. See appended gazette notice

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18 November 2025 – 18 December 2026 NEW	All hours	North Wharf seawall and wharf construction works	Partially closed	Yarra River – Exclusion zone in place along northern bank of river channel. Stay clear of works area. See appended gazette notice
27 November – 28 November 2025	06:00 – 18:00	North Wharf southern side inspections and make safe works	Open	Yarra River – No exclusion zone in place. Dive operations will be occurring intermittently during works period, watch for displayed Alpha Dive Flag
14 October – 19 December 2025	All hours	Greenline boardwalk construction, Birrarung Marr	Open	Yarra River – Buoyage and exclusion zone no longer in place. Intermittent works to occur from vessels with no impact to navigation.

Victoria Harbour

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Restriction to navigation
5 September 2023 – 29 May 2026	All hours	Central Pier demolition	Open	Victoria Harbour, Yarra River – Exclusion zones in place. See appended Gazette notice
18 November 2025 – 15 December 2026 NEW	All hours	North Wharf seawall construction works	Partially closed	Victoria Harbour, Yarra River – Exclusion zone in place on southern side of harbour. No impact on river channel. See appended gazette notice

Maribyrnong River

Date	Time	Details	River Status	Restriction to navigation
N/A				

Please note:

- Anglers Tavern Jetty is now open to the public
- Footscray Park Floating Landing is closed to berthing and pedestrian access due to flood damage.
- Shallow Waters - Herring Island Meander has sediment build up creating shallow waters around the Island, please proceed with caution or avoid entering if unfamiliar with area.
- Shallow waters – The central river channel immediately downstream of Charles Grimes Bridge, in the vicinity of Yarra's Edge Marina, has reduced water depth as a result of sediment build up. Minimum depth at low tide may be less than 1.5m. Large vessels should navigate the area with caution and stay to the southern side of the channel where possible.
- There is crowd load and berthing restrictions currently in place at Leonda Landing, with 10 person crowd load limit and no berthing on the upstream 10m span of the landing.
- Banana Alley Timber Wharf is closed to all berthing due to deterioration in the structure.
- Birrarung Marr Floating Landing is temporarily closed due to the Greenline Boardwalk works. Due to reopen December 2025.

*All closed river events will be conditional upon publishing of an Activity Exclusion Zone Notice in the Government Gazette in accordance with section 208(2) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010*. For the purposes of planning and/or operations, river users may assume the river is closed unless otherwise notified, in writing, by Parks Victoria.

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Event operates under a Flag System. A flag marshal will be positioned at the starting and finishing points of the course to indicate when vessels can proceed through.

** Event operates with a Parks Victoria managed transit lane in conjunction with an approved contractor.

See *Notice to River Users*

All vessels in the area of activities are advised to travel with caution and to follow any directions given by Parks Victoria Officers. River traffic along these sections of river during event times may encounter delays due to congestion and are urged to maintain a courteous manner toward other river users.

For further information, contact Parks Victoria on **13 1963** or visit Parks Victoria website www.parks.vic.gov.au

Marine Safety Act 2010

Section 211(1)(b)

NOTICE CONTROLLING NAVIGATION IN THE VICINITY OF WORKS

Parks Victoria, as the declared waterway manager for the waters of the Yarra River upstream of port waters of the Port of Melbourne makes the following notice under section 211(1)(b)(i) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic) **(the Act)**.

For the purposes of the works activity proposed by Fitzgerald Constructions Australia Pty Ltd for seawall and wharf construction works on the Yarra River, all vessels and persons are prohibited from entering or remaining in the waters detailed below, excluding vessels involved in the works and Parks Victoria vessels.

Table 1: North Wharf and Victoria Harbour seawall and wharf construction works

<u>Date</u>	<u>Work Site</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
18 November 2025 – 1 June 2026	Yarra River (North Wharf) – Stage 1	<i>Waters of the Yarra River extending approx. 400m downstream along North Wharf from 941 Collins St and approx. 51m into the river channel from the northern bank, as marked by yellow Exclusion Zone buoys.</i>	<i>Approx. 110m of river channel on the southern side of Exclusion Zone</i>
1 June – 15 December 2026	Yarra River (North Wharf) – Stage 2	<i>Waters of the Yarra River extending approx. 600m downstream along North Wharf from Tom Thumb Lane and approx. 51m into the river channel from the northern bank, as marked by yellow Exclusion Zone buoys.</i>	<i>Approx. 110m of river channel on the southern side of Exclusion Zone</i>
1 February 2026 – 15 December 2026	Victoria Harbour (North Wharf)	<i>Waters of Victoria Harbour, Yarra River extending approx. 280m east along North Wharf from the Docklands Yacht Club jetty/dock, extending approx. 75m into the river channel, as marked by yellow Exclusion Zone buoys.</i>	<i>River channel open to vessel traffic</i>

This notice has effect from 7:00am Tuesday 18 November 2025 to 5:00pm Tuesday 15 December 2026.

By order of Parks Victoria

Dated: 13/11/2025

Marine Safety Act 2010

Section 211(1)(b)

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Parks Victoria, as the declared waterway manager for the waters of the Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne makes the following notice under section 211(1)(b)(i) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)*.

For the purposes of the works activity proposed by Stokes Rosseau Pty Ltd on behalf of the City of Melbourne to undertake Stage 3 renewal works of the Princes Bridge on the Yarra River, the navigation and movement of vessels is prohibited from the waters detailed in Table 1 below, excluding vessels involved in the works.

Table 1: Princes Bridge Stage 3 Renewal Works

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
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Monday 7 July 2025 to Friday 12 December 2025	Northern Arch of Princes Bridge closed. Waters of the Yarra River extending approx. 10m upstream and 20m downstream of Princes Bridge, beginning at the northern bank and extending up to 8m into the Centre bridge arch, as marked by lit exclusion zone buoys and unlit stringline buoys.	Bluestone replacement & repair, repointing and painting of the Northern span of Princes bridge	Southern arch – open. Vessels transiting upstream only. Centre arch – partially open, 21m available for transit <u>Change to navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed, should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited waters with reduced clearance</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Friday 12 December 2025 to Wednesday 15 April 2026	Northern arch of Princes bridge to have reduced width and reduced height. Centre arch of Princes Bridge to have reduced width of 21m. Waters of the Yarra River extending from the northern bridge pier approx. 5m into the northern arch and 8m into centre arch, extending 10m upstream and downstream, as marked by lit exclusion zone buoys and unlit stringline buoys.	Bluestone replacement & repair, repointing and painting of the bridge.	Southern arch – open. Vessels transiting upstream only. Northern arch – partially open, approx. 12m available for transit with reduced height. Centre arch – partially open, 21m available for transit <u>Change to navigation</u> Large commercial vessels should avoid using northern arch during this period. Vessels with air draft exceeding 3.5m should avoid using the northern arch during periods of high river level.
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Wednesday 15 April 2026 to Tuesday 5 May 2026	Northern Arch of Princes Bridge closed. Waters of the Yarra River extending approx. 10m upstream and 20m downstream of Princes Bridge, beginning at the northern bank and extending up to 8m into the Centre bridge arch, as marked by lit exclusion zone buoys and unlit stringline buoys.	Bluestone replacement & repair, repointing and painting of the Northern span of Princes bridge	Southern arch – open. Vessels transiting upstream only. Centre arch – partially open, 21m available for transit <u>Change to navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed. Should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability or tidal restrictions they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds

Tuesday 5 May 2026 to Wednesday 12 August 2026	Centre Arch of Princes Bridge closed. Waters of the Yarra River between the two bridge piers and extending 15m upstream and downstream of Princes Bridge, as marked by lit exclusion zone buoys and unlit stringline buoys.	Painting of the Centre span of Princes bridge	Southern arch – open. Vessels transiting upstream only. Northern arch – open. Vessels transiting downstream only. <u>Change to navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed. Should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability or tidal restrictions they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds
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The exclusion zone will be marked by unlit stringline buoys, lit water communication buoys fitted with 1-2nm marine lanterns and lit warning signage on approach from both directions.

This notice has effect from 7:00am Monday 7 July 2025 to 5:00pm Wednesday 12 August 2026.

By order of Parks Victoria

Dated: 3/07/2025

Marine Safety Act 2010
Section 211(1)(b)
NOTICE CONTROLLING NAVIGATION IN THE VICINITY OF WORKS

This Notice formally revokes and replaces the Notice published in the Special Government Gazette No. S 121 Thursday 20 March 2025.

Parks Victoria, as the declared waterway manager for the waters of the Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne makes the following notice under section 211(1)(b)(i) of the Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic) (the Act).

For the purposes of the works activity proposed by Symal Infrastructure PTY LTD on behalf of the City of Melbourne to undertake construction of the Greenline boardwalk in the Yarra River, this notice supersedes and amends the previous notice published in the Victorian Government Gazette G16 on Thursday 18 April 2024.

The navigation and movement of vessels is prohibited from the waters detailed in Table 1 below, excluding vessels involved in the works.

Table 1: Greenline boardwalk construction

Date	Prohibited Waters	Works Activity	Open for transit
Loading Zone Friday 11 April to Friday 31 October 2025	Waters beginning approximately 70m upstream of Birrarung Marr Landing continuing for approx. 50m along the northern bank and extending approx. 25m into the river, as marked by buoys.	Loading area for works	Approx. 40 metres width is open for vessel movement, on the southern section of the river.
Boardwalk 1 Friday 11 April to Thursday 31 July 2025	Waters beginning at the upstream edge of Federation Wharf extending approx. 175m upstream along the northern bank to Birrarung Marr Landing, reaching approx. 30m into the river as marked by buoys	Pile works	Approx. 40 metres width is open for vessel movement, on the southern section of the river.
Boardwalk 3 Friday 11 April to Thursday 31 July 2025	Waters beginning approx. 160m upstream of Birrarung Marr Landing, extending approx. 135m along the northern bank, reaching approx. 30 metres into the river as marked by buoys.		Approx. 35 metres width is open for vessel movement, on the southern section of the river.
Boardwalk 1 Friday 1 August to Friday 19 December 2025	Waters beginning at the upstream edge of Federation Wharf extending approx. 175m upstream along the northern bank to Birrarung Marr Landing, reaching approx. 25m into the river as marked by buoys	Boardwalk construction	Approx. 45 metres width is open for vessel movement, on the southern section of the river.
Boardwalk 3 Friday 1 August to Friday 19 December 2025	Waters beginning approx. 160m upstream of Birrarung Marr Landing, extending approx. 135m along the northern bank, reaching approx. 25 metres into the river as marked by buoys.		Approx. 40 metres width is open for vessel movement, on the southern section of the river.

The exclusion zone will be marked by unlit stringline buoys, lit water communication buoys fitted with 1-2nm marine lanterns and lit warning signage on approach from both directions.

This notice has effect from 7:00 am Friday 11 April to 6:00pm Friday 19 December 2025

By order of Parks Victoria

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Parks Victoria, as the declared waterway manager for the waters of the Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne makes the following notice under section 211(1)(b)(i) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)*.

For the purposes of the works activity proposed by Stokes Rosseau Pty Ltd on behalf of the City of Melbourne to undertake renewal works of the Princes Bridge on the Yarra River, the navigation and movement of vessels is prohibited from the waters detailed in Table 1 below, excluding vessels involved in the works.

Table 1: Princes Bridge Renewal Works

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Monday 25 March - Monday 15 April 2024	Southern Arch of Princes Bridge closed	Southern Arch – Eastern aspect	Northern Arch – open. Downstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting downstream only

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Date change – Monday 25 March until Monday 13 May 2024	Waters of the Yarra River approximately 60m upstream and downstream of Princes bridge, beginning at the southern bank and extending 3m into the Centre Arch, as marked by lit buoys and sign floats	Construction of scaffolding	Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Upstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting upstream only <u>Change in Navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed, should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited waters with reduced clearance</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Monday 15 April – Monday 26 August 2024 Date change – Monday 13 May until Monday 28 October 2024	Southern arch of Princes bridge to have reduced height and width: extending approx. 8m from the southern bank and approx. 8m in from the bridge pier leaving a minimum 12m transit lane through the Southern arch, as marked by buoys. Centre Arch of Princes Bridge reduced width: approx. 3m into the arch from the southern bridge pier, as marked by buoys.	Southern Arch – Eastern aspect: Bluestone replacement & repair, repointing and painting.	Northern Arch - open Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Southern Arch – partially open with transit lane of approx. 12m width with a reduced clearance height at a minimum of 4m at high tide
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Monday 28 October – Friday 29 November 2024	Southern Arch of Princes Bridge closed Waters of Yarra River approximately 60m upstream and downstream of Princes bridge, beginning at the southern bank and extending 3m into the Centre Arch, as marked by lit buoys and sign floats.	Southern Arch – Eastern aspect Removal of scaffolding	Northern Arch – open. Downstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting downstream only Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Upstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting upstream only <u>Change in Navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed, should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited waters with reduced clearance</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>

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Friday 29 November 2024 – Monday 13 January 2025	Southern arch of Princes bridge to have reduced height and width: extending approx. 8m from the southern bank and approx. 8m in from the bridge pier leaving a minimum 12m transit lane through the Southern arch, as marked by buoys. Centre Arch of Princes Bridge reduced width: approx. 3m into the arch from the southern bridge pier, as marked by buoys.	Southern Arch – Western aspect:	Northern Arch - open Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Southern Arch – partially open with transit lane of approx. 12m width with a reduced clearance height at a minimum of 4m at high tide
<u>Date</u>	<u>Prohibited Waters</u>	<u>Works</u>	<u>Open for transit</u>
Monday 13 January 2025 – Friday 14 February 2025	Southern Arch of Princes Bridge closed Waters of Yarra River approximately 60m upstream and downstream of Princes bridge, beginning at the southern bank and extending 3m into the Centre Arch, as marked by lit buoys and sign floats.	Southern Arch – Western aspect Construction of scaffolding	Northern Arch – open. Downstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting downstream only Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Upstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting upstream only <u>Change in Navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed, should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds
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Friday 14 February 2025 – Monday 19 May 2025	Southern arch of Princes bridge to have reduced height and width: extending approx. 8m from the southern bank and approx. 8m in from the bridge pier leaving a minimum 12m transit lane through the Southern arch, as marked by buoys. Centre Arch of Princes Bridge reduced width: approx. 3m into the arch from the southern bridge pier, as marked by buoys.	Southern Arch – Western aspect: Bluestone replacement & repair, repointing and painting	Northern Arch - open Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Southern Arch – partially open with transit lane of approx. 12m width with a reduced clearance height at a minimum of 4m at high tide

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Date	Prohibited Waters	Works	Open for transit
Monday 19 May 2025 – Monday 7 June 2025	Southern Arch of Princes Bridge closed Waters of Yarra River approximately 60m upstream and downstream of Princes bridge, beginning at the southern bank and extending 3m into the Centre Arch, as marked by lit buoys and sign floats.	Southern Arch – Western aspect Construction of scaffolding	Northern Arch – open. Downstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting downstream only Centre Arch - partially open approx. 26m width Upstream traffic only, open to vessels transiting upstream only <u>Change in Navigation</u> All vessels are to adhere to the temporary river navigation arrangements as signed, should commercial vessels on occasion be required to use a different arch due to reduced manoeuvrability they must give way to all vessels and initiate appropriate warning sounds

The exclusion zone will be marked by unlit stringline buoys, lit water communication buoys fitted with 1-2nm marine lanterns and lit warning signage on approach from both directions.

This notice has effect from 7:00 am Monday 25 March 2024 to 6:00 pm Monday 26 May 2025

By order of Parks Victoria

Dated: 20/03/2024

Marine Safety Act 2010

Section 211(1)(b)

NOTICE CONTROLLING NAVIGATION IN THE VICINITY OF WORKS

Parks Victoria, as the declared waterway manager for the waters of the Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne, makes the following notice under section 211(1)(b)(i) of the Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic) (the Act), for the purposes of the works activity proposed by Fitzgerald Constructions Australia Pty Ltd to undertake demolition of Central Pier, Victoria Harbour, Yarra River.

The navigation and movement of vessels is prohibited on the waters of Victoria Harbour, Yarra River, as detailed below in Table 1, excluding vessels involved in the works and Parks Victoria vessels.

Table 1: Victoria Harbour prohibited waters - 5 September 2023 to 29 May 2026

Work site	Prohibited Waters	River traffic
Central Pier	Extend approximately 400 metres from the eastern bank along both sides of the Central Pier footprint	Five-knot speed restriction.

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Demolition of Pier	into Victoria Harbour, approximately 170 metres wide at the eastern end, and tapering to approximately 100 metres wide at the western end, as marked by yellow buoys.	Ferry terminal and marina access available
505 Docklands Drive Storage of demolition materials	Extend approximately 70 metres from the northern bank adjacent to 505 Docklands Drive into Victoria Harbour and approximately 100 metres wide, as marked by yellow buoys.	Five knot speed restriction. Access available to New Quay West Marina berth holders

The exclusion zones will be marked by lit water communication buoys fitted with 1-2nm marine lanterns and lit warning signage on approach.

Times and dates are subject to change. Changes to times, durations or days will be advertised on Parks Victoria's website and Notice to River Users.

This notice has effect from 7:00am on 5 September 2023 to 6:00pm on 29 May 2026.

BY ORDER OF PARKS VICTORIA

Date: 4 September 2023