



Parks Victoria and Zoos Victoria continue to prepare Haining Farm for translocations of Leadbeater's possum. Here's what to expect.

Fence upgrades are starting

You may have already seen contractors on-site as we have begun upgrading the predator-proof fence. These works are essential to ensure the reserve is safe for translocations of Leadbeater's possums.

Peter from Advanced Ag Services has been awarded the tender to design and construct the new predator proof fence.

What you might notice

Minor Fence Realignment: Adjustments are being made along the Don River boundary and near the old dairy to better suit the landscape and conservation goals.

New Airlock Installation: The first of the new airlocks has been delivered onsite. These new gate systems will help secure the conservation area.

Culvert across the Don: We plan to add a second culvert across the Don River accompanied by a track. This will enable visitors to walk a full lap of the reserve, improving visitor experience and management capabilities.

New visitor facilities: Construction of a new visitor node has begun. This will include picnic tables, a shelter, new carpark and entry point, additional paths connecting to the new visitor area.



First gate air lock delivered to Haining Farm. This will help keep public entrances secure from cats and accessible for the community.



Earthworks have begun for the new carpark and entry point.

Cats at Haining Farm

Predator monitoring cameras continue to detect cats at Haining Farm. Help us protect our native wildlife and keep your cat safe by keeping your cat indoors.



Love your cat? Join Zoos Victoria's Safe Cat, Safe Wildlife campaign. This includes free expert advice, cat hacks, exclusive discounts and the latest information to give your cat the best life.

Learn more and join the Safe Cat community at safecat.org.au

Canine companions out and about

Dogs are welcome on lead at Haining Farm outside the conservation area (outside the fence). Keeping this area dog-free is important to protect the wildlife in this area. For those who walk their dogs at Haining Farm, we ask you to please refrain from taking your dog through the gates into the conservation area.

Wildlife spotting at Haining Farm

Have you spotted some interesting wildlife in Haining Farm? Share your wildlife observations or explore the observations of others via iNaturalist.

Recent iNaturalist observations from Haining Farm:



Woolly Teatree (*Leptospermum lanigerum*) in flower at Haining Farm. These trees will become a dense midstorey that Leadbeater's possum love to run through.



Meadow Argus Butterfly (*Junonia villida*) and Rounded Earthstar fungi (*Geastrum saccatum*)

More information and app download at:

<https://www.inaturalist.org/>

Questions?

If you have questions or would like to be added to our newsletter mailing list, you can contact Ranger Team Leader Matt Tresidder (matt.tresidder@parks.vic.gov.au).



