### **Suburban Parks Program**

# **Greening the Pipeline**

Creating a new park for Melbourne's growing communities

The Suburban Parks Program is creating a more connected, immersive and shared open space network across Melbourne, where our waterways, trails and cool, green streets meet local pocket parks, urban parks and bushland.



Since 2018, the Victorian Government has committed over \$315 million through the Suburban Parks Program to create, connect, plan for and upgrade more than 6,500 hectares of open space across metropolitan Melbourne.

# What is the Greening the Pipeline project?

The Victorian Government supported project partners to transform a section of the decommissioned, heritage-listed Main Outfall Sewer pipeline reserve in Melbourne's west.

#### Why create new parks?

- to improve community health and wellbeing
- to protect nature
- to strengthen cultural heritage
- to address climate change
- to attract jobs, investment, skilled people, and visitors to Melbourne's growing suburbs.

This project delivered new open space between Forsyth Road and Skeleton Creek near Truganina in Melbourne's west (Zone 5 on the map below). Greening the Pipeline's long-term aim is to transform the pipeline into parkland and community space for Melbourne's growing west.

The open space will be a vibrant destination for people in Melbourne's west. It will:

- Promote active transport and connect communities making walking and cycling through the region easier
- improve stormwater management providing cooler, greener environments.
- provide a beautiful space where people can relax and play.

#### When will the park open?

The new open space and walking trail are open for visitors to enjoy now. Additional works along other sections of the pipeline will be planned over coming years.

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## Who are the project partners and stakeholders?

The Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) is collaborated with:

- Wyndham City Council
- Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation
- Melbourne Water
- Greater Western Water
- Department of Transport and Planning

#### Location

Zone 5 of Greening the Pipeline is located on Bunurong Country, next to the Federation Trail bike path.

Where can I find more information?

Project updates are available on the <u>Wyndham</u> <u>City Council website</u> and the <u>Melbourne Water</u> <u>website</u>.

You can email the project team at mail@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation have completed a Cultural Values Study. Its findings are integral to parklands planning and improved understanding and respect for Bunurong cultural values around the Pipeline.

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