

SEATS REPORT – MAY 2016

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, JOBS, TRANSPORT AND RESOURCES (DEDJTR)

Regional Network Development Plan

The Victorian Government is preparing the Regional Network Development Plan to set out priorities for regional public transport services, infrastructure and investment over the next 20 years.

Workshops were held across Gippsland in 2015 were well attended and it was good to see many SEATS delegates at the workshops providing valuable input.

The Plan is expected to be released in the next few weeks and a further update will be provided at the meeting.

Gippsland Logistics Precinct

The State Government has committed \$10 million from the Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund for Latrobe City Council to develop the Gippsland Logistics Precinct (GLP) and associated supply chain improvements.

The GLP is a 72 ha site generally consisting of vacant paddocks located adjacent to the Gippsland rail line at Morwell. DEDJTR has established a Project Control Group (PCG) which is meeting regularly. The PCG is providing high level technical advice to help shape the investment from a policy and operational perspective.

Dandenong Rail Corridor

The State Government has also committed to remove 50 level crossings over eight years nine of which are on the Dandenong – Pakenham Rail Corridor.

Both of these projects are necessary precursors to an eventual South East Rail Link (SERL) and further freight and passenger improvements to Gippsland Line.

Works have commenced on the removal of the nine level crossings on the Dandenong corridor and are expected to be completed by the end of 2018. The details of the project can be seen at the attached link.

<http://levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/>