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## **WORKS TO BOOST PRODUCTIVITY AND EFFICIENCY AT THE DYNON RAIL PRECINCT**

VicTrack today announced the release of a Request for Tender for an experienced construction firm to carry out hardstand, drainage and rail works to renew key rail freight infrastructure and increase throughput and performance at its Dynon Rail Freight Terminal in West Melbourne.

The planned works at the terminal include a new deep strength asphalt hardstand, drainage and other associated rail works. The multi-million project budget is expected to return investment back to VicTrack in under four years.

VicTrack's Dynon Rail Freight Terminal is an intermodal open-access freight terminal located four kilometres from Melbourne's CBD, and has been in operation since 2007.

The terminal is operated 24 hours a day and seven days a week, and provides intermodal rail freight access for smaller rail freight companies. VicTrack has two tenants on site, Aurizon and QUBE Logistics.

The northern hardstand pavement is used by forklifts to load and unload containers to and from rail wagons and road transport. The current condition of the hardstand is adversely impacting the efficiency of operations, with wear and tear evident to its surface.

Works, anticipated to commence in early 2017, are expected to take up to nine weeks, and are timed to take advantage of the quieter period of operations and more favourable weather conditions.

The proposed schedule also minimises impacts on terminal operations, with works carried out in stages to ensure tenant stakeholders are unaffected.

The Request for Tender closes at 2pm on 25 January 2017. For more information, please visit [tenderlink.com.au/VicTrack](http://tenderlink.com.au/VicTrack)

### **Quotes attributable to VicTrack General Manager, Property Group, Peter Chau:**

*"VicTrack's vision for rail freight is to maximise the utilisation of the Dynon Rail Freight Terminal and to grow the volume of freight on rail in Victoria."*

*"Investments from VicTrack and the State, like this multi-million dollar northern hardstand renewal works, are all about promoting and contributing to the growth of freight on rail by improving container throughput at the Dynon Rail Freight Terminal."*

*"VicTrack's investment in rail freight terminal works aim to be aligned with government policy to provide competitive access for freight facilities and contribution to the State's wider economic growth."*

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