

# Media Release

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## UPGRADES TO PUBLIC TRANSPORT ACROSS REGIONAL VICTORIA

More than \$22 million in train station, bus and other public transport infrastructure upgrades across regional Victoria have been released to market.

Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan today released the tender for the Andrews Labor Government's *Road and Rail Minor Works Program*.

The Program will deliver new car parks, more comfortable waiting areas, and better passenger information at train stations across rural and regional Victoria.

It will improve cycling infrastructure at stations with new, secure bike cages and hoops to make it easier to get to ride to the station and catch the train.

The \$22.5 million Program will also upgrade bus stops, signage and access, as well as bus and coach interchanges.

The *Road and Rail Minor Works Program* was funded in last year's Victoria Budget, and is the product of extensive consultation with local communities during the development of the Regional Network Development Plan (RNDP).

The RNDP is Victoria's first ever short, medium and long-term strategy for better regional public transport. It was released last year along with \$1.3 billion in the Budget to kick-start initiatives in the Plan.

Contracts are expected to be awarded by the end April, with construction due to start in late-2017 and to be finished by the end of next year.

For more tender information, please visit [tenderlink.com/victrack](http://tenderlink.com/victrack). For more information about the program, *Road and Rail Minor Works Program* visit [victrack.com.au/projects/key-projects/road-and-rail-minor-works-program](http://victrack.com.au/projects/key-projects/road-and-rail-minor-works-program).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan

*"This program will deliver the day-to-day upgrades that make a real difference – more parking at the local station, a secure place to lock your bike and better bus shelters so you're not waiting in the rain."*

*"They're local projects that have come out of the extensive consultation with local communities through the Regional Network Development Plan – Victoria's first ever long term strategy for better regional public transport."*

*"These works will take place in five regions across 25 cities and towns in Victoria. I encourage local builders and contractors to apply through the tender process, and help us build a better public transport system."*