

Frankston to Mornington Parklands

Creating a connected network of open space between existing parks and reserves

Suburban parks are important to all of us. They are where families create memories, connect with nature and each other. Suburban parks provide habitat for our native plants and animals, support healthy rivers and creeks, and help us tackle climate change.

The Victorian Government is investing \$315 million in the Suburban Parks Program. It will create more than 6,500 hectares of new and upgraded parks and trails across Melbourne's growing outer suburbs. The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning leads this program.

Why plan new parks?

- to improve 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 outer suburbs.

What is Frankston to Mornington Parklands project?

In 2018, the government committed to plan for the Frankston Greenbelt that will link 1,881 hectares of parks and reserves between Seaford Wetlands and Mornington.

The Frankston to Mornington Parklands project will explore how best to make these connections.

The areas to be linked include:

- Seaford Wetlands
- Pines Flora and Fauna Reserve
- Studio Park
- Dame Elizabeth Arboretum
- Cruden Farm
- Langwarrin Flora and Fauna Reserve
- Baxter Park
- Sages Cottage Farm
- Moorooduc Quarry
- Devilbend Natural Features Reserve

The project will benefit communities in the growing suburbs of northern Mornington Peninsula and visitors to Melbourne's south-east.

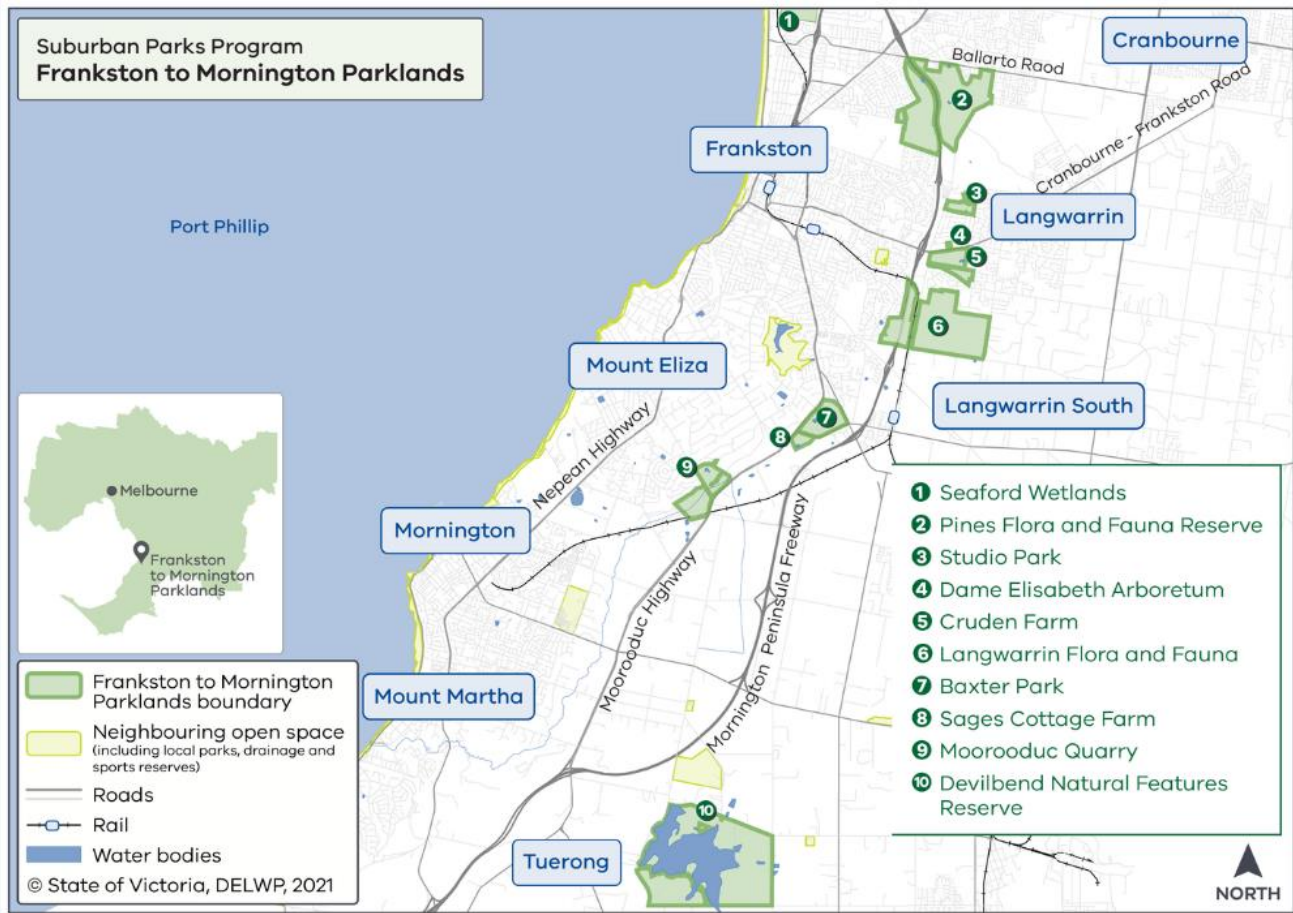
The Frankston to Mornington Parklands Future Directions Plan will be jointly developed by land managers by mid-2022.

It will be guided by environmental and cultural policies to give direction for future links and access. We will seek feedback on the draft plan from May 2022.

Location

The new connected parklands are on the traditional lands of the Bunurong People. By linking existing parks and reserves, more than 1,800 hectares of recreational space will be available for communities 30–40 kilometres south-east of Melbourne's CBD.





When will the Future Directions Plan be completed?

We are working collaboratively with key partners, stakeholders, Traditional Owners and the community to create the Frankston to Mornington Parklands Future Directions Plan. Consultation on the draft parklands plan will take place in May-June 2022.

New park a joint effort

We are working in partnership with:

- Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation
- Parks Victoria
- Mornington Peninsula Shire Council
- Frankston City Council
- Department of Transport/VicRoads
- Melbourne Water
- Former - Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority
- Other land managers.

A Parkland Partnership Group involving public land managers is developing the Frankston to Mornington Parklands Future Directions Plan that will recommend how to connect existing parklands.

The Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation has developed a Draft Cultural Values Study that is informing the development of the Future Directions Plan.

More information

[Updates on the Suburban Parks Program](#) are available online. Or you can [email the Suburban Parks Program](#).

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