

Intersection upgrade works – Whitelaws Track/Bass Highway

Works will soon commence to improve the intersection of Whitelaws Track and the Bass Highway, Leongatha South. These works will include the temporary road closure of Whitelaws Track.

The project is funded by Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd as part of its quarry extension as the current intersection doesn't have the long term load capacity to handle the size and number of trucks expected to use the road once the quarry reaches full capacity. The works are being undertaken by A1 Group on behalf of Holcim.

The works to upgrade the intersection are to be undertaken from approximately mid-November to December 2017. There are a number of issues for local drivers to be aware of:

- Whitelaws Track between Bass Highway and Quarry Road will be closed to through traffic during the period of works. The road closure is necessary to complete the works safely and effectively. Alternate routes should be sought during this time. In particular, property owners to the south of the works should use alternate access via Koonwarra if travelling to Leongatha.
- Traffic using Bass Highway will be limited to one lane and controlled by temporary traffic signals during the works.
- Temporary detour for through traffic will be established along Nortons Road for the duration of the works.
- Local property access will be provided to residents between Nortons Road and Quarry Road during the construction works.
- The upgrade works will improve load capacity, turning manoeuvrability, road user safety and will meet the long term infrastructure needs of Council and VicRoads.

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