

Community Information Newsletter The Great Ocean Road Landslides 2016

ROAD SAFETY

Victoria Police are asking all travellers (locals and visitors) to be patient, take your time, slow down and drive sensibly. Drive with your vehicle headlights on low beam and slow down when approaching roadwork crews for their safety and your own.

Victoria Police have increased their planned patrols over the long weekend to ensure the safety of all road users. Pay attention to all roadside message boards for current restrictions and detours.

The crews manning the Traffic Management Points go above and beyond to assist visitors and locals alike. Matt (pictured below), has created a "mud map" to assist overseas visitors gain an understanding of the dangers and road closures.



Agencies have crews working daily on local roads to keep them open and safe for locals and visitor alike.

With a chance of thunderstorms over the next three days, some roads that are currently open may become hazardous or impassable due to potential landslides, water over the road, tree falls and other debris, road surface deteriorating, damage to bridges etc.

If you choose to use back roads, consider advising friends or family members when you leave, where you are going, and when you arrive. Watch for other road users and work crews, and turn your headlights on.

Trees and tree limbs can become unstable, even with no wind, so be aware of falling trees and branches when driving and walking through the area. Do not park or shelter under trees.

The Great Ocean Road Update

Note: Roads impacted by landslides and floodwater have enforceable road restrictions in place - See map overleaf.

- **Torquay to Lorne** - OPEN to all traffic – no restrictions
- **Lorne to Cumberland River** - OPEN with restrictions
- **Cumberland River to Separation Creek** - OPEN with restrictions
- **Separation Creek to Wye River** - CLOSED to all traffic, potentially for a further 2 weeks.
- **No foot traffic** is permitted along **Paddy's Path, The Great Ocean Road or the beach** between Wye River & Separation Creek.
- **Wye River to Skenes Creek** - OPEN with restrictions
- **Skenes Creek to Warrnambool** - OPEN to all traffic - no restrictions.

Temporary Bus Service

Public Transport Victoria have established a bus service running between Apollo Bay and Wye River. For timetable information visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call **1800 800 007** (6:00 am to midnight)

STAY INFORMED

Landslides can occur at any time. With current weather warnings please regularly review the Vic Emergency official Facebook and website for updates.

www.emergency.vic.gov.au

For road updates visit the VicRoads website www.vicroads.vic.gov.au or call 13 11 70

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for business and
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Authorised by: Incident Controller – Ray Jasper

Great Ocean Road Traffic Management Points, Road Status & Rainfall 30/09/2016 1600hrs

