

Minor Variation to the Naarm Way Stage 2 Major Development Plan (MDP) Preliminary Draft

What is Naarm Way Stage 2?

Melbourne Airport is investing in its landside road network to improve the way passenger vehicles circulate and access the airport as travel demands increase during the next 20 years.

Naarm Way Stage 2 (previously Elevated Road and Forecourt Project Stage 2) is an important step in this process. With the project approved by the Federal Government in October 2021, early works are underway.

What is the Naarm Way Stage 2 Preliminary Draft Minor Variation?

It is a change being proposed to relocate the 'Over Height Vehicle exit ramp' (OHV ramp) for vehicles greater than 2.2 metres high. The proposed change is expected to improve safety and operational efficiency and is consistent with the Project's scope as represented in Melbourne Airport's 2022 Master Plan.

Why is a minor variation necessary?

The terminal parking facilities associated with Naarm Way are limited to vehicles up to 2.2 metres high. An over height vehicle ramp is required for taller vehicles that mistakenly enter Naarm Way to return to the road network before they get stuck under buildings with height restrictions.

The change being proposed is to move the exit ramp so over height vehicles have more opportunity to divert off Naarm Way onto Centre Road before they get stuck.



Figure 1: Elevated Road and Forecourt Project Stage 2 design, with the initial over height vehicle (OHV) ramp that moves vehicles onto Airport Drive



Figure 2: Proposed variation to the Elevated Road and Forecourt Project Stage 2 design, with the OHV ramp location moved for vehicles to exit onto Centre Road

What are the benefits of the proposed Minor Variation?

- improved safety outcome for road users
- greater operational efficiencies
- less disruption to the traffic network into the Airport
- reduced risk of traffic queueing back onto the Tullamarine Freeway
- does not preclude either above or below ground Melbourne Airport Rail Link.

What work does the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation include?

The Preliminary Draft Minor Variation covers the location of the over height vehicle ramp only. The remainder of the approved Elevated Road and Forecourt Project Stage 2 MDP is not being changed.

Will there be a public exhibition on the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation?

Under the Airports Act 1996, a period of 15 business days is required for public exhibition of the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation. Public exhibition of the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation is open from Friday 28 June 2024 until 19 July 2024.

How can interested parties provide feedback on the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation?

Anyone with feedback on the Preliminary Draft Minor Variation can make a submission during the public exhibition period.

The Preliminary Draft Minor Variation can be found at www.melbourneairport.com.au/community/elevated-road-and-forecourt-project-stage-2-minor-variation. Hard copies of the document are also available for inspection at the office of Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd, Level 2, Terminal 4, Melbourne Airport, between 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Written comments can be sent to the Planning Manager, Melbourne Airport, Locked Bag 16, Tullamarine VIC 3043, or via email at community@melair.com.au

The closing date for receipt of submissions is Friday 19 July 2024.