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Third stage of NBN Co and Victorian Government investment announced

Media release

Today, NBN Co and the Victorian Government announced the third stage of their landmark co-investment agreement, which was first announced in August 2021.

The third stage will enhance the digital infrastructure across the **nbn** fixed line, fixed wireless and satellite footprint across more than 180 Victorian suburbs and towns, many in regional areas.

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Will Irving, NBN Co Chief Strategy Officer, said:

"Through this co-investment with the Victorian Government, we are significantly enhancing the digital infrastructure in Victoria that will support the needs of homes and businesses now and into the future.

"As the digital backbone of the nation, we are committed to evolving the **nbn** network to help meet the digital needs of Australia now and into the future.

"The demand for fast and reliable internet from homes and businesses continues to grow, as data usage has grown exponentially in the last decade. We expect this growth to accelerate even more in the future, driven by trends such as hybrid work and study arrangements and an increase in online entertainment, such as streaming services and computer gaming, across multiple devices."

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Suburbs and towns identified for upgrades are listed below.

The Victorian Government and NBN Co are making FTTN to FTTP investments in the following suburbs*

Announced on 12 October, 2022: Adams Estate, Alexandra, Allansford, Ararat, Ascot, Baromi, Beechworth, Bendigo, Bunyip, Cabarita, Cape Woolamai, Casterton, Castlemaine, Charlemont, Cobden, Colac, Corryong, Cowes, Dimboola, East Bendigo, Edenhope, Euroa, Flora Hill, Garfield, Grantville, Heywood, Ironbark, Kerang, Korumburra, Lorne, Lynbrook, Lyndhurst, Macedon, Maffra, Mallacoota, Mansfield, Merbein, Mildura, Moe, Monbulk, Moorooduc, Morwell, Mount Macedon, Newhaven, North Bendigo, Numurkah, Pioneer Bay, Portland, Red Cliffs, San Remo, St Arnaud, Stawell, Stratford, Strathdale, Torquay, Werribee, White Hills, Woodend

Announced on March 28, 2022: Alfredton, Bairnsdale, Balnarring, Balnarring Beach, Bandiana, Beaconsfield, Belmont, Churchill, Corio, Craigieburn, Doreen, Drumcondra, East Geelong, Elmore, Geelong, Geelong West, Grovedale, Highton, Horsham, Kangaroo Flat, Kennington, Kyneton, Leongatha, Marshall, Mernda, Merricks Beach, Mirboo North, Mornington, Mount Martha, Myrtleford, Nagambie, Nhill, North Geelong, Ocean Grove, Officer, Ouyen, Pakenham, Rippleside, Rochester, Roxburgh Park, Sale, Seymour, Somerville, Tatura, Traralgon, Wangaratta, Warragul, Warrnambool, Wendouree, Wodonga

* Some areas will be upgraded in full, while the Victorian Government has selected other areas for co-investment upgrades to complement proposed upgrades as part of the nbn Corporate Plan 2021-24.

The Victorian Government and NBN Co are in the following suburbs**

Announced on 12 October, 2022: Alma, Barkly, Beaufort, Berriwillock, Burnbank, Cann making Satellite to Fixed Wireless investments River, Carisbrook, Castella, Casterton, Clunes, Culgoa, Daisy Hill, Eurobin, Gobur, Kinglake, Landsborough, Lexton, Majorca, Maryborough, Merino, Mount Glasgow, Musk Vale, Navarre, Porepunkah, Raglan, Red Lion, Sandford, Skipton, Talbot, Toolangi, Waterloo, Woomelang, Yarck

In partnership with the NSW Cross Border Infrastructure Fund, the Victorian Government and NBN Co are making Satellite to Fixed Wireless investments in the following suburbs**

Announced on 12 October, 2022: Beverford, Murraydale, Nyah, Nyah West, Piangil, Vinifera, Wood Wood, Woorinen South

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Announced on 12 October, 2022: Mount Buller, Marysville

nbn Business Fibre Zones

Announced on 12 October, 2022: Beaufort, Cobram, Delacombe, Echuca, Inverleigh, Koroit, Marong, Mortlake, Pearcedale (incl. Langwarrin, Langwarrin South, Somerville), Port Fairy, Research, Tooradin (incl. Blind Bight, Warneet, Cannons Creek), Warracknabeal, Warrandyte, Wedderburn

Announced on March 28, 2022: Alfredton, Buninyong, Loch Sport, Rockbank/Mt Cottrell, Tarneit

Announced on August 26, 2021: Benalla, Colac, Cranbourne South, Dromana, Hamilton, Lara, Pakenham North, Pakenham South, Portland, Warragul, Wonthaggi-Inverloch

Disclaimers

*Of course, your experience, including the speeds actually achieved over the nbn® network, depends on the nbn® access network technology and configuration over which services are delivered to your premises, whether you are using the internet during the busy period, and some factors outside nbn's control (like your equipment quality, software, broadband plan, signal reception and how your service provider designs its network). Speeds may also be impacted by the number of concurrent users on the **nbn**® Fixed Wireless network, including during busy periods.

Conditions, eligibility criteria and costs will apply – please speak with your preferred provider. Eligibility criteria includes among other things, being designated by **nbn as a simple premises and placing an order for an **nbn**® powered plan based on an eligible wholesale speed tier. Additional costs may apply to providers, who may choose to pass this charge onto their customers. Not all providers offer plans based on the full range wholesale high speed tiers. The wholesale speed tiers available to providers for your location will depend on the actual/attainable speeds over your **nbn** connection.

***Your experience in relation to broadband service over the **nbn** FTTP network depends on some factors outside **nbn**'s control (like your equipment quality, software, chosen broadband plan or how your provider designs its network). It can deliver wholesale download speeds of close to 1Gbps**[Regardless of the retail service you purchase, the actual wholesale speeds will be less than 1Gbps due to equipment and network limitations].

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