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NBN Co updates construction plan in Victoria

Work to begin for 147,000 additional Victorian homes and businesses by September 2016

NBN Co today issues its quarterly update to the national rollout plan. An additional 147,000 homes and businesses in Victoria are being added to the rollout of the National Broadband Network.

New areas that have been added to the rollout include parts of Metro Melbourne Barwon South West, Gippsland and the Loddon Mallee region.

The quarterly construction plan provides an indicative schedule that includes work already underway or in plan to commence before quarter end September 2016 and covers around 570,000 Victorian homes and businesses in total.

The expansion of the rollout reflects the company's new, flexible multi-technology approach and is an important step toward reaching its goal of connecting 8 million premises to the NBN by 2020.

NBN Co spokesperson Trent Williams said:

“Our job is to ensure that all Australians can have access to very fast broadband as soon and as cost-effectively as possible. Every home and business will benefit from the nationwide upgrade to Australia’s broadband infrastructure.

“The addition of a further 147,000 homes and businesses to the Victorian construction schedule demonstrates the continued momentum of the rollout.

“This is exciting news for the suburbs and towns which have been added to our construction schedule as it means work to build the network is expected to be underway by September 2016.”

The rollout of the NBN continues to build momentum; more than 195,000 families and businesses across Victoria are already able to connect to the National Broadband Network.

More information on the new construction schedule is available at nbnco.com.au/rolloutplan

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New construction work scheduled to commence from April 2015 to September 2016:

Victoria		
Region	Parts of suburbs and towns covered	Estimated total number of premises covered
Metropolitan Melbourne	Melbourne CBD (Exhibition), Healesville, Docklands (Lonsdale), Newport, Woori Yallock, Yarra Glen, Narre Warren	56,200
Barwon South West	Portland	5,300
Gippsland	Moe-Yallourn, Morwell, Sale	23,400
Loddon Mallee	Bendigo, Echuca-Moama, Red Cliffs, Swan Hill	46,900
North East	Wodonga, Mount Beauty (surrounds)	15,370
Total		147,170

Notes to editors:

- NBN Co is committed to fulfilling the Australian Government's policy goal of ensuring all Australians have access to fast broadband as soon and as cost-effectively as possible.
- There is not yet granular detail available on suburbs and localities available for the above regions, as part of the rollout this will be determined closer to completion of design for these areas.
- NBN Co's strategic goals include connecting eight million premises to fast broadband and achieving annual revenue of \$4 billion by 2020.
- NBN Co's current rollout schedule includes all technology in the Multi-Technology-Mix with the exception of HFC and the Long Term Satellite Service. These technologies will be added in a future forecast.
- Your experience including the speeds actually achieved over the NBN depends on the technology over which services are delivered to your premises and other factors such as your equipment quality, software, broadband plans and how your service provider designs its network.
- The technology deployed in these communities may also change depending on a number of factors once the construction planning stage has been finalised.
- The exact number of premises as well as the regions covered in the rollout plan may vary once NBN Co has finalised its construction planning.
- The interactive rollout map includes a detailed colour-coding system to display the four phases of the rollout within a community:

Measure	Definition	Colour code on the NBN map
Build preparation	Contractors are undertaking pre-construction activities to deliver the NBN in this area, which may include readying Telstra's pits and pipes for NBN Co use	Green
Build commenced	NBN Co has issued contract instructions to its construction partners so they can commence work to deliver the NBN in this area. (Build Commenced boundaries are subject to change)	Brown

	during the construction process)	
Service available	Premises in this area are covered by the NBN and services may be ordered and purchased from a telephone or internet service provider	Purple
Other fixed-line providers	(Adequately served) means the premises can already access fast broadband services through an existing fibre network. NBN Co will not over build this network. You can find out more by reading the Government's ' Adequately Served Policy '. Note that these network boundaries may be subject to change.	Blue