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## Monash Freeway to close between Burke and Warrigal Roads this weekend

The Monash Freeway will be closed overnight this weekend between Burke Road and Warrigal Road in both directions so construction workers can dismantle the York Road pedestrian bridge as part of the \$1.39 billion freeway upgrade.

The Monash Freeway between Burke and Warrigal Roads will close in both inbound and outbound directions from 11pm tonight until 7am tomorrow. It will close again from midnight on until 8am on Sunday.

Leading up to these times, workers will progressively close single and double lanes before the full freeway closure. The first lane closure is likely to be at around 7pm tonight with the full closure from 11pm.

Tomorrow morning the freeway will start to be re-opened at 7am in both directions with some lane closures, between Burke Road and High Street, in the inbound direction. Motorists can expect some delays inbound and should consider alternative routes.

Tomorrow night it is proposed for progressive lane closures to commence at 7pm with the freeway to be re-opened on Sunday morning at 8am with some lane closures, between Burke Road and High Street, in the inbound direction.

The York Road pedestrian bridge needs to be removed so that the freeway can be widened. It will be rebuilt when works are complete

Project Director for the M1 upgrade John Cunningham said removing the bridge would make way for an additional lane to be added to the freeway in both directions. He said it was an essential part of the upgrade project, which will result in significant improvements to traffic flow during peak times.

"Motorists are advised to avoid the Monash Freeway between Toorak and Warrigal Roads on either night this weekend and to plan an alternate route," he said.

A suggested detour route is via Princes Highway (Dandenong Road).

For detour routes and information visit the project website [www.mcwupgrade.com.au](http://www.mcwupgrade.com.au) or call 1300 881 137.

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