

Media Release



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REAL-TIME INFORMATION ON ITS WAY TO BENDIGO LINE STATIONS

Real-time travel information will soon be available to passengers on the Bendigo line, with new technology being rolled out at 10 stations.

From next week, electronic displays, public address announcement messages and customer information points will be installed at Clarkefield, Riddells Creek, Gisborne, Macedon, Woodend, Kyneton, Malmsbury, Castlemaine, Kangaroo Flat and Bendigo.

Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan said the initiative would give passengers automated, accurate and timely information about train times, service changes and platform alterations.

The new displays, which are expected to be operational by October, will also aid customers with hearing and visual impairments, with the improved audio and visual information making it easier to access real-time train information.

Installation of real-time passenger information at Bendigo station is part of works across the regional network.

The technology will also progressively be installed at 33 V/Line stations on the Geelong, Ballarat and Gippsland lines, with all works set to be complete before the end of the year.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport and Member for Bendigo East Jacinta Allan

“Real-time technology is great news for Bendigo-line passengers, who now have access to timely metropolitan-style travel updates.”

“It means passengers know exactly when their train is going to arrive, even if something unexpected happens that affects services.”

Quotes attributable to Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards

“Real-time travel information makes it easier for locals to plan their journey by giving them up-to-date information about their train.”

Quote attributable to Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas

“This is great news for everyone in Macedon, but particularly those with hearing and visual impairments, who will soon have access to better audio and visual technology at their local station.”