Presentation Overview

- **PART 1:** The Statutory Framework under the MTPF Act
- **PART 2:** The Reference Project
- **PART 3:** The CIS
- **PART 4:** Concluding Comments
Part 1 – The Applicable Statutory Framework
MTPF Act – Overview

1: The Purpose and Objectives of the MTPF Act:

- Sections 1 and 5.

2: The Scope of the Approvals Framework Established Under the Act:

- Applicable Laws;

- Applicable Approvals; and

- Applicable Law Criteria.
3: Applicable Approvals Relevant to the Project:

- Works Approval – *Environment Protection Act 1970*

- Planning Scheme Amendment - *Planning and Environment Act 1987*

- Permits and consents for places listed on VHR/VHI - *Heritage Act 1995*

- Licence for works on waterways – *Water Act 1989*

- Consents for freeway connections – *Road Management Act 2004*

- Comments for plan on waterways – *Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987*
MTPF Act – Overview

4: The Statutory Entities:

- The Premier of Victoria;
- The Minister for Planning;
- The Project Minister;
- The Project Proponent;
- The Secretary of the Department;
- The Assessment Committee; and
- Applicable Law Decision Makers.
5: The Assessment Process:

- The Comprehensive Impact Statement Process;

- The role and content of the Scoping Directions:
  - Project Scope and Role of Project Proponent;
  - General Requirements: Content of CIS, Project Rationale, and Project Description;

- The Assessment Committee and the Terms of Reference.

East West Link - Eastern Section was declared by the Premier to be a declared project under the *Major Transport Projects Facilitation Act 2009* in December 2012. The Minister for Roads was nominated as the Project Minister and appointed Linking Melbourne Authority as the project proponent on 22 March 2013.

Project proposal: Division 2 of Part 3 of the Act.

Linking Melbourne Authority prepared and submitted a project proposal to the Minister for Planning on 10 May 2013.

Assessment and scoping: Division 3 of Part 3 of the Act.

In May 2013, the Minister for Planning determined that a Comprehensive Impact Statement (CIS) assessment was required and published Scoping Directions setting out the matters that must be investigated in the CIS.

Preparing the CIS: Subdivision 3 of Division 5 of Part 3 of the Act

From May to October 2013, Linking Melbourne Authority prepared the CIS and consulted with the community and regulatory agencies.

Public exhibition: Subdivision 4 of Division 5 of Part 3 of the Act

The CIS was placed on public exhibition on 31 October 2013. It will remain on exhibition for six weeks, during which time members of the public can make submissions to the Assessment Committee. The Minister has appointed the Assessment Committee to assess the project and to make recommendations concerning whether any or all of the applicable approvals should be granted.
### Key Elements of MTPF Act Approval Process (To be Performed)

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<td><strong>Assessment committee recommendation: Subdivision 9 of Division 5 of Part 3 of the Act</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Assessment Committee is to consider those matters set out in section 73 of the Act and prepare a recommendation report to the Minister for planning concerning whether all or any of the applicable approvals should be granted.</td>
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<td><strong>Approval decision: Subdivision 2 of Division 7 of Part 3 of the Act</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Minister for Planning is to consider those matters set out in section 77 of the Act and make a decision to grant any or all of the applicable approvals for the project.</td>
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<td><strong>Applicable approvals issued: Subdivision 4 of Division 7 of Part 3 of the Act</strong>&lt;br&gt;If the Minister for Planning approves the project (by way of an approvals decision), applicable approvals are taken to be issued as though under each applicable law.</td>
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The Reference Project and Land Acquisition

- Land acquisition associated with the delivery of the project is addressed in Part 6 of the MTPF Act.
- Potentially affected landowners across the project area include:
  - 105 private residential properties;
  - 34 commercial properties.
- Pursuant to section 113 of the MPTF Act, the *Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986* applies to the MPTF Act.
Part 2 – The Reference Project
East West Link

- 18km road and tunnel connection - Eastern Freeway to Western Ring Road
- Eastern Section (Stage One) - Eastern Freeway to CityLink
Eastern Section Reference Project

East West Link project design
Eastern Section Reference Project

Hoddle St interchange designed to accommodate tunnel connections
- New overpass for northbound Hoddle Street traffic onto Eastern Freeway (including bus lane)
- New ramp Hoddle St southbound into tunnel
- Old ‘loop’ removed to make space for tunnel lanes
- Pedestrian bridge over Eastern Freeway relocated further east
Eastern Section Reference Project

East West Link project design

Land required to enable tunnel portal construction
Temporary side track for east bound traffic during construction
Eastern Section Reference Project

Elliott Ave interchange - access to Zoo, Netball/Hockey Centre, hospital precinct and residential/commercial areas
Eastern Section Reference Project

- East West Link project design
- North bound exit ramp at Ormond Rd
- North and south ramp connections to CityLink
- New four lane viaduct west of CityLink to Footscray Road
Community & Stakeholder Engagement

- **Late May** Newsletter no. 1 – 80,000 copies distributed
- **Early June** 4 community consultation displays (approx. 330 people attended)
- **8 July** 300+ letters delivered in corridor
- **15 July** Letters to affected properties
- **16 July** Reference Project released by Premier
- **Mid/late July** Numerous media articles/interviews
Community & Stakeholder Engagement

- **Mid July**
  - Meetings with owner/occupiers continue

- **Late July**
  - Newsletter #2: 80,000 copies distributed

- **Early August**
  - 4 community consultation displays (approx. 640 people attended)

- **Since Mid July**
  - 1000+ telephone calls
  - 700+ emails
  - 100+ meetings with landowners

- **31 October**
  - CIS placed on public exhibition

- **Early November**
  - Newsletter #3: over 100,000 copies distributed

- **November**
  - 4 public information displays (approx. 500 people attended)

- **November**
  - 4 community BBQs
CIS Approach – Performance Based

- Assessment of a reference project not the final design
- Defining the performance outcome desired
- Performance requirements informed by the impact assessments
- Allowing innovation in how the outcomes will be achieved
CIS Framework

- Project objectives
- Reference Project, Variations, Performance requirements
- Environmental Management Framework
- Legislation and policy
- CIS scoping directions, evaluation objectives and criteria
- Environmental impact and risk assessment
- Public review and Minister for Planning assessment and approval
- Approval Conditions
- Project Delivery
Project Description

Performance requirements

Reference Project

Variations

Environmental impact and risk assessment
14 technical studies:

- Flora & fauna
- Surface water
- Groundwater
- Contamination
- Land use planning
- Air quality
- Greenhouse gas
- Vibration
- Noise
- Cultural heritage
- Traffic & transport
- Landscape and urban form
- Social impact assessments
- Business impacts
CIS Approach - assessment of assets and values

- Landuse, dwellings and infrastructure, Houses/public spaces/community facilities
- Transport connectivity
- Air, noise and vibration
- Visual amenity
- Land and groundwater
- Waterways
- Biodiversity
- Heritage

CIS & specialist investigations
Precinct Based Assessment

- Regional and local
- Precincts aligned with project components
- Responding to local communities and feedback

Project was divided into six precincts:
- Precinct 1 – Hoddle Street (Eastern Portal)
- Precinct 2 – Alexandra Parade
- Precinct 3 – Royal Park (Western Portal)
- Precinct 4 – CityLink
- Precinct 5 – Port Connection
- Precinct 6 – Footscray Road
CIS Approach - risk and impact assessment
CIS Investigations

Project Description

- Strategic Transport Model
- MicroSimulation Model
- Traffic Impact Assessment
- Urban Design Framework
- Groundwater
- Surface Water
- Air Noise Vibration GHG
- Land Use Heritage Visual Business Social Ecology

CIS Investigations
Environmental risk and impact assessment

The risk assessment focused on the following areas:
Air  Historical Heritage
Noise  Vibration
Groundwater  Traffic and Transport
Contamination  Flora and fauna
Surface water

Additionally, impact assessments (with no risk assessment) were undertaken for the following key issues:
Social  Land use planning
Landscape and visual  Business
Greenhouse gas
Performance Requirements & the EMF

Reference Project & Variations ➔ Draft Performance Requirements ➔ Risk and Impact Assessments ➔ Identification of mitigation measures ➔ Refine Reference Project & Variations ➔ Revised Performance Requirements ➔ EMF and Performance Requirements for Contract
Environmental Management Documentation–
Environmental management framework

Environmental Management Framework (EMF)
- Performance requirements
- Any approval conditions issued by the Minister for Planning

Contractor environmental management system (EMS)
- Contractor systems and procedures for environmental management

Contractor construction environmental management plan (CEMP)
- Management requirements and controls for construction

Contractor operational environmental management plan (OEMP)
- Management requirements and controls for operation

Legislative compliance

Community engagement