

# VICSES Knox

## Update from the Emergency Services Infrastructure Authority

### Project Update | December 2020

- May Constructions Pty Ltd has been awarded the contract as the preferred builder to deliver the new VICSES Knox Unit facility.
- Construction has commenced, with works to install three rain gardens that will manage and direct site run-off nearing completion.
- The site has also been levelled and compacted in preparation for slab preparation work which will soon be underway.
- Majority of ground services have been relocated and the under-slab plumbing installed.
- It is anticipated that the concrete slabs will be poured prior to Christmas, with curing to follow. This will enable steel construction to take place early in the New Year (weather permitting).
- Project is on track for delivery mid-2021.



Construction for the new VICSES Knox Unit is now underway at 609 Burwood Highway, Knoxfield

### Next Steps

- Resolution of any construction issues as raised.
- Completion of committee of management land transfer to VICSES.
- Traffic control system still pending information from VicRoads.

### Project Timeline

#### Site identification

Complete

#### Site due diligence

Complete

#### Land tenure

In progress with DELWP

#### Schematic design

Complete

#### Town planning and zoning approvals

Complete

#### Detailed design

Complete

#### Procure and appoint construction firm

Complete

#### Construction commences

November 2020 (in progress)

#### Construction concludes

Mid-2021

#### Commissioning of facility

Mid-late 2021

#### Handover of facility

Mid-late 2021

# Construction process



Once a builder has been appointed to construct a new VICSES facility, ESIA's project team plays an important role in managing the contract so that the construction phase runs as smoothly as possible.

**ESIA's role** During the construction of a new VICSES facility, ESIA's project team is responsible for a range of contract administration and management tasks, including:

- Track and expedite the status of milestones.
- Manage delivery of goods and/or services.
- Manage processing of payments.
- Manage and administer contract variations.
- Assess suppliers and/or industries viability.
- Report contract data.
- Conduct audits and inspection.

- Assess and manage contract management capability.
- Manage suppliers' performance.
- Manage contract stakeholders.
- Manage contract risks and issues.
- Manage contract price reviews.
- Manage probity risks and issues.
- Manage disputes with suppliers.
- Manage contract extensions and end dates.
- Manage consultants and contractor

**How long will it take to build our new facility?** ESIA estimates that your new facility will take approximately eight months to construct. As with any construction project of this size, there may be some unforeseen setbacks, however ESIA and your VICSES regional manager will keep you informed throughout the process.

**Can we visit the site while it is under construction?** Construction sites are busy places. Many contractors work side-by-side and heavy vehicles come and go so there are a number of OH&S risks that must be considered. ESIA will endeavour to organise an opportunity for you to inspect the construction site at some stage.

**What happens if the weather impacts the progress of the build?** Factors such as inclement weather are considered when the estimated project timeline is determined. However, there may be issues out of ESIA's control that mean the construction will take longer than anticipated.

**Can we move into our facility as soon as construction has been completed?** Following practical completion and the certificate of occupancy commissioning of the facility must be undertaken before the unit is operational. This process ensures that new facilities and equipment are ready for occupancy and use, this process can take a few months.

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