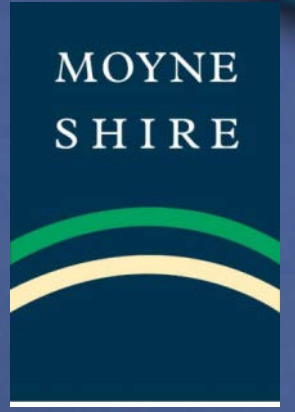




Southern Grampians Shire



5,000 plus km annually



Road Infra-structure

Can our roads support the additional heavy vehicle movements of the Unconventional Gas Mining industry?

How will it effect the roads and the residents safety?



A total of 3,500 km of roads

GLENELG SHIRE COUNCIL'S FEARS ABOUT NEXT 10 YEARS

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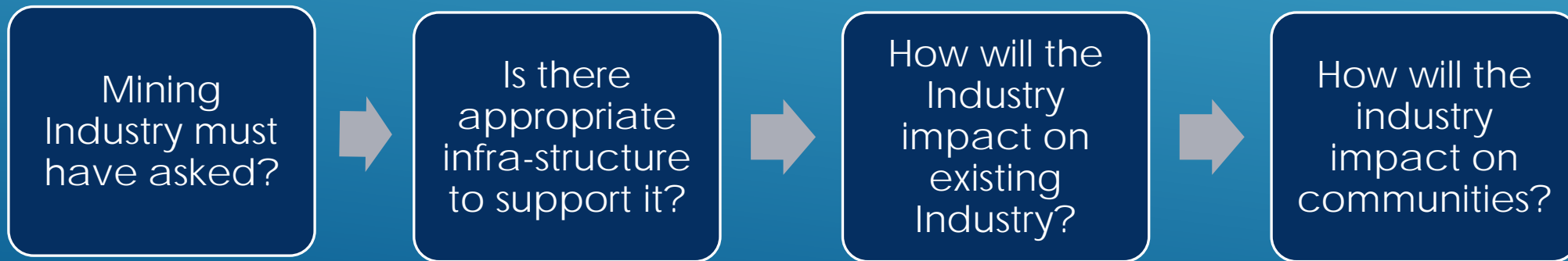


How many trucks and vehicles travelled to and from this Gasfield during its exploration and construction?

Is Unconventional Gas Mining viable on our roads?



Residential and Business development must follow specific Planning Procedures and Protocols



The Unconventional Gas Industry requires hundreds if not thousands of heavy and light vehicle movements?

Our roads have been under stress for years and they face further stress with existing Industry. There is no quick fix.



"It is a question of when, not if our roads fail." says Neil Burgess
Glenelg Shire Economic Development and Tourism Manager.

How can the Victorian Government add a Gas Industry to our failing roads?



There is not adequate road infra-structure!

What consideration is being given to my safety, all residents safety, the safety of our children on school buses, our visitors and tourists safety?

Opposition checks out local roads

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LIAM O'CALLAGHAN

STATE
Opposition spokesman on roads Ryan Smith joined Member for the West Coast Denis Mahon on Tuesday for a tour of some of the district roads to identify areas requiring improvement.

The tour included a visit to the Condah-Hotspur on the Port of Portland to assess the impact and needs of the fishing industry as well as various hotspots in need of improvement.

Mr Smith said it was essential to continue upgrades to the roads in the state, such as the Myamun- Roach which he described as one of the worst roads in Victoria.

He said it was important to make sure that the roads on country roads that those freight vehicles are maintained as much as possible.

Some roads not only carry heavy vehicles but also commuters.



WET weather has contributed to the road surface breaking up.

Picture: PETER CORBET

Major roads reduced to 60km/h

Roads to ruin

Fear highways will collapse under increasing traffic

BILL MELDRUM

representations from trucking companies regulatory reforms for the trucking fails," he said about the road.



Roads an election issue for Reekie





Gleneelg Shire Economic Development and Tourism Manager Neil Burgess says that the Victorian Government and Vic Roads are responsible for the 4 Transport Corridors in the Shire.

- ▶ 1 Portland to Nelson Road
- ▶ 2 Henty Highway from Condah to Heywood
- ▶ 3 Princes Highway Heywood to Dartmoor
- ▶ 4 Portland to Heywood
- ▶ 5 Portland to Casterton

Nelson to Portland Road



12 Rough Surface signs on 68km of road

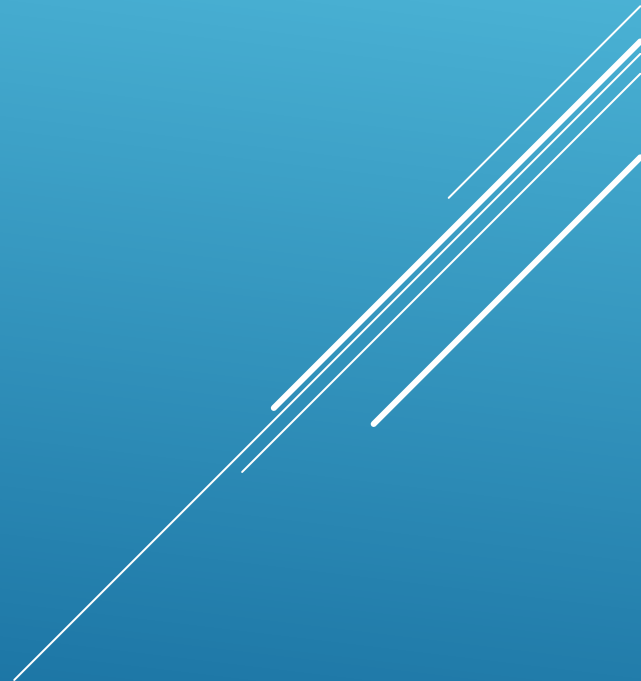














Princes Highway Heywood to Mount Gambier











How can the Victorian Government consider adding a Gas Industry that undeniably requires a sound Road Infra-structure to our failing road system?









Road repairs at Bolwarra hang on election promise

BEN FRASER

MORE road funding promises have been made by the State Government.

south-west if re-elected on November 29. More than half of the funds will go towards the treacherous Macarthur-Myamyn Road while not hole-ridden parts of the Princes Highway in

transport operators, milk tankers, timber truck drivers, school bus drivers and others who use these roads each day.

"This extra funding builds on the \$18 million

Temporary fix for highway potholes

THE latest outbreak of potholes along the Princes and Henty highways is set to be temporarily fixed this week, according to VicRoads.

The holes, near the turnoff to Warrambool and the approaches to Bolwarra, have left motorists dodging and weaving to avoid front end damage.

VicRoads has blamed the recent extended period of wet and cold weather for the sudden spate of holes in the bitumen.

"Potholes form because roads crack under the weight and volumes of traffic, causing rain to seep through the cracks and into the underlying gravel. Continued traffic then causes the seal to lift, more water seeps through the cracks and the pothole gets larger," VicRoads Regional Director William Tieppo said.

VicRoads and the Glenelg Shire inspected the Princes highway near Portland earlier this week and have scheduled temporary repairs to be undertaken this week. One of the worst holes had been filled by yesterday morning.

Over the winter months, maintenance crews temporarily potholes on roads such as the Princes Highway by using salt, however some repairs require the use of different materials. A more permanent fix will be scheduled during summer when weather conditions are warmer and the road dry," VicRoads said.

Roads said it encourages people to notify the agency

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Unconventional Gas Mines + Existing Industries = Unsustainable

In addition the use of limited-supply road-base material [limestone, gravel] required by this industry for all-season track access on farms/forests in this region would divert it from usage on our major public road infrastructure, with consequent supply and added cost issues.

\$2million for key timber road

THE Federal Government has now approved a grant of \$2.5 million to upgrade one of Glenelg Shire's most important timber industry roads.

Assistant Infrastructure and Regional Development Minister Jamie Briggs signed off on the investment for the Condah-Hotspur Upper Road in August.

Mayor Cr Robert Halliday said Council had been battling for many years to have the dangerous road repaired.

Cr Halliday said the key transport corridor, north of Heywood, had been struggling under the weight of around 24,000 annual truck movements and increasing numbers of school buses.

"This road is a key route for timber trucks transporting timber from the plantations in south west Victoria and into South Australia to the Myamyn Mill and it's just not been able to cope with the traffic pressure," he said.

"It's incredibly dangerous, not only for the truck drivers, but also for the people who live in the region and need to access Condah-Hotspur Upper Road regularly."

The \$2.5 million Federal condition funding injection



14km

NO

YES

Unconventional
Mining

Adequate Road
Infra-structure

Residents

Safety &
Wellbeing

Existing Industries

Long Term
Security

