



Market Site Demolition Project

Port of Melbourne is developing the 29-hectare Market Site to support future port operations, improve heavy vehicle access and provide purpose-built facilities such as warehousing, empty container storage and an Urban Freight Consolidation Centre.

Progress to date

Demolition works began in February 2026 and are expected to be completed by Q4 2026. Civil works will follow.

Significant progress has been made with more than 245,000 kg of waste removed from site and over 2.5 million kg of steel, concrete and bricks were recycled.

Current activities include service proofing at the Western Court Bowl, as the main entry to the site.

Upcoming works – what to expect

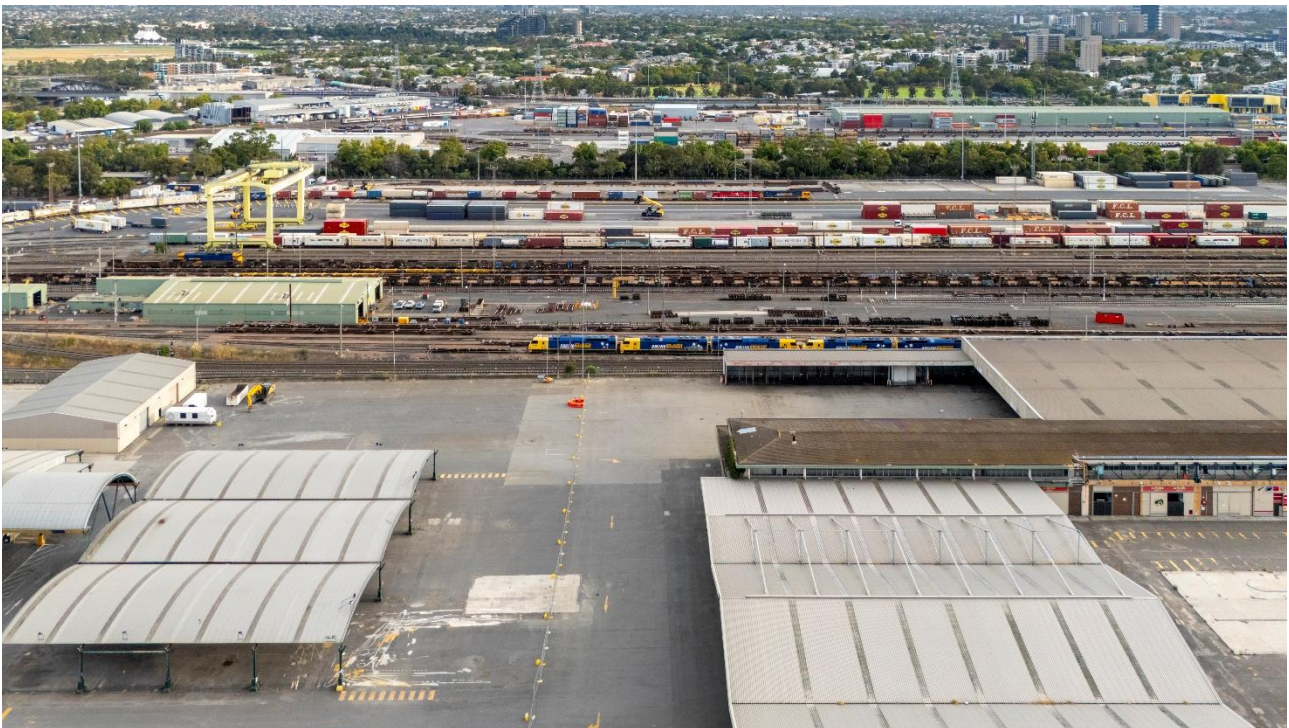
The next stage of demolition will focus on the northern and north-eastern boundaries of the Market Site. Port of Melbourne is coordinating with rail and infrastructure stakeholders to minimise disruption to nearby operations.

Out-of-hours works are expected throughout September, subject to approvals. This may include:

- Weekdays from **7:00am to 10:00pm**
- Weekends from **Friday evening to Sunday evening.**

We understand this is important information for neighbouring businesses and will continue to provide updates if work times change. Specific details will be updated on the [Port of Melbourne website](#).

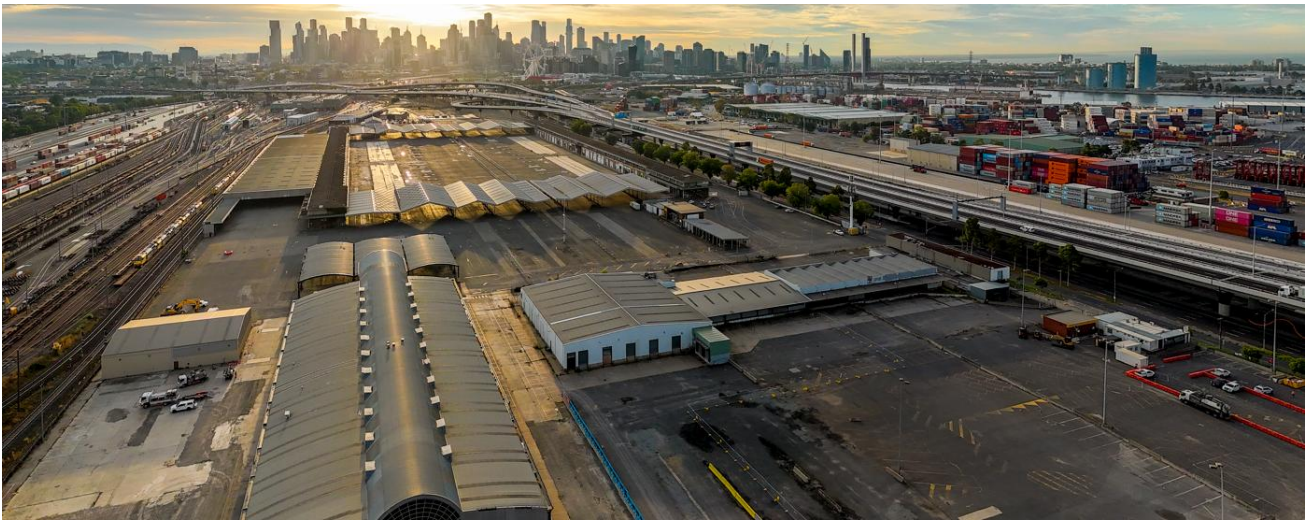
Materials will be processed on site before being transported for recycling or disposal. Dust will be managed through water suppression, and noise is expected to be consistent with typical construction activity.



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Frequently asked questions

What to expect	Staged demolition and site clearance works are underway within the Market Site precinct. Activities include controlled demolition, material removal, waste separation and making the site safe for future redevelopment.
When will the works take place?	Standard hours: Monday to Friday, 7:00am to 6:00pm, and Saturday, 7:00am to 3:00pm. Planned out-of-hours works: Subject to approvals, works are expected between Friday 4 September and Wednesday 30 September 2026. Weekday works may continue until 10:00pm, and weekend works may occur continuously from Friday evening to Sunday evening. Updates will be provided in advance where timing or impacts change, and information will also be available on the Port of Melbourne website. Demolition is expected to be completed by Q4 2026. Civil works will then continue through 2027–28.
Environment	Works are being managed under the project Environmental Management Plan, including controls for noise, air quality, water quality and waste. Environmental condition assessments will continue throughout the works program to support compliance with environmental requirements.
Noise and air quality	The contractor, Symal, is managing activities in line with relevant guidelines and approval requirements, including controls for noise, dust and vibration where required.
Materials and waste	Waste and materials are being managed under Symal’s Waste Management Plan, developed in line with WorkSafe and EPA Victoria requirements.
Traffic	Authorised vehicles access the site via the main entry on Footscray Road, east of Dock Link Road. Heavy vehicles must comply with no-truck zones and road changes introduced as part of the West Gate Tunnel project to help keep trucks off residential streets.
Further questions	For questions about Market Site works, contact Port of Melbourne on 1300 857 662 or email Community.Relations@PortofMelbourne.com .