

Port of Melbourne



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## Port of Melbourne embarks on stakeholder engagement for port capacity development

Port of Melbourne has launched its public information sessions for the next stage of its port capacity development, called the Port Capacity Enhancement Program (PCEP).

Port of Melbourne CEO Saul Cannon said the port is committed to stakeholder engagement that is inclusive, timely, genuine and transparent.

“Building new port infrastructure has long lead times, so we need to plan now for the longer-term future. For us, that means engaging with our stakeholders to understand their views in relation to the need for additional capacity,” he said.

The focus over the coming months is to engage with our stakeholders and seek feedback on the key drivers of capacity which are contained within the following independent expert reports:

- Port capacity
- Ship Fleet Forecast
- Demand Forecast

The reports will be discussed during information sessions with industry and the local community. These three key technical reports, a draft stakeholder presentation and information session booking links are available on the port’s website: [www.portofmelbourne.com/facilities-development/port-capacity-enhancement-program/](http://www.portofmelbourne.com/facilities-development/port-capacity-enhancement-program/)

There will be four online information sessions available:

- Tuesday 27 September 10:00 am – 12:00 pm and 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
- Thursday 29 September 10:00 am – 12:00 pm and 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

“These reports on Port Capacity, Ship Fleet Forecast and Demand Forecast are really important in helping us to determine if and when we need to provide additional port capacity,” said Mr Cannon.

Stakeholders are requested to submit written feedback on the three key technical reports by **Tuesday 18 October 2022**.

The findings and feedback from these reports will help us to inform a Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA). We will also engage with stakeholders between December 2022 and March 2023 to seek feedback on the emerging findings from the CBA.

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