

**GeelongPort is excited to welcome Spirit of Tasmania to Geelong in 2022 and is building a new passenger and freight terminal to support the long-term operations of this iconic service.**

## Project overview

Spirit of Tasmania is moving its Victorian operations from Port Melbourne to Geelong in 2022. The relocation will provide an improved experience for the 450,000 passengers who travel annually and support the long-term operations of this highly valued service.

GeelongPort is investing \$135 million to construct a new passenger and freight terminal to support Spirit of Tasmania's operations. The new 12-hectare site will include:

- Purpose-built passenger terminal building
- Passenger vehicle marshalling area for 600 cars
- Trailer and parking area for 150 trucks
- Security facilities
- Office facilities and crew accommodation
- Public amenities
- Café
- Children's play area
- Pet exercise area



### ABOUT GEELONGPORT

As Victoria's second-largest port, GeelongPort has been an integral part of Geelong's economic and social fabric for more than 150 years, helping to transform the city and region into the economic, tourism and community hub it is today. GeelongPort comprises 15 berths across two primary precincts, one of which is Corio Quay.



## Benefits

The project is an important investment in regional Australia and will deliver a number of benefits to Greater Geelong, Spirit of Tasmania passengers and the Victorian tourism industry, including:



Improved experience for passengers



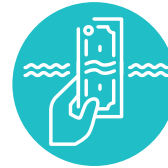
Generating jobs in construction



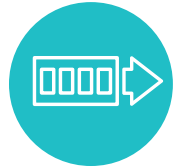
Employment opportunities for Regional Victoria's tourism sector



Providing a doorway to Victoria's most popular tourist attractions



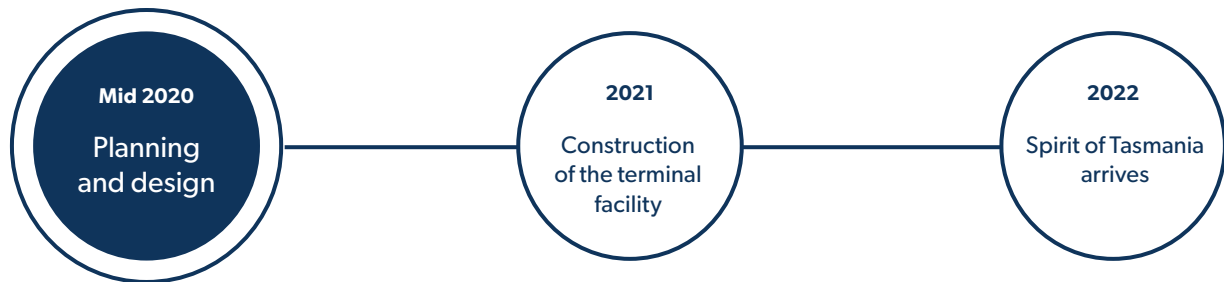
Increasing tourism expenditure in the region



Growth opportunities for freight in Victoria

## Timing

Currently in the planning phase, construction is expected to begin in 2021 with the facility operational by late 2022.



## Adapting to Covid-19

We are taking the situation with Covid-19 seriously and understand this is a challenging time for everyone. The health and safety of our community and staff is important, so we will be practicing socially distanced engagement for now. We have launched a dedicated project website which will provide a one-stop-shop for information and will be the main way to share your feedback while restrictions are in place.

We understand some community members may not be as comfortable using digital tools so please don't hesitate to contact our project team on **1800 979 717** for support or to find out about alternate ways to get involved.

## Connect with us online

We will connect with local stakeholders and the community, Spirit of Tasmania passengers and the tourism industry over the coming months to understand how we can make the move seamless and maximise opportunities for the Greater Geelong area.

We encourage you to connect with us online to receive regular updates on the project at:

**[www.engage.geelongport.com.au](http://www.engage.geelongport.com.au)**

### MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to find out more or stay up to date on this project, you can:

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