

The four main reasons why the MP freeway extension should not and (we reckon) will never be built

- 1. It would destroy the environmentally sensitive and very biodiverse Tootgarook Wetland, which is of international ecological significance.**
- 2. It would cost a vast amount of public money: to acquire all the private and public land that the easement crosses; to address all the environmental damage it would create; and then to build the road itself.**
- 3. It would simply move the relatively brief high-summer traffic holdups at the Jetty Road, Rosebud roundabout about 10kms West to the Canterbury Jetty / Melbourne Rds roundabout, where worse traffic jams would occur because there are no alternative routes.**
- 4. The only people who would benefit are the 5,700 residents (projected to be 5,900 in 2041) of Blairgowrie, Sorrento and Portsea and/or their well-heeled summer tenants (64% of dwellings are holiday houses).**