



## **STATEMENT ON STAGE FOUR RESTRICTIONS**

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Infrastructure Partnerships Australia Chief Executive, Adrian Dwyer welcomed Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews' considered decision to maintain activity in the major civil infrastructure construction sector as the state enters stage four restrictions.

"The decision to keep construction sites open across the state, albeit with strict and appropriate controls, is welcome news for a sector that continues to provide an essential economic service during these challenging times.

"Requiring major civil construction projects to implement High Risk COVID Safe Plans is sensible given the elevated risk of COVID-19 transmission in the Victorian community, and recognises that work sites are already well-controlled and managed health environments.

"The construction and infrastructure sector has consistently demonstrated leadership in helping to suppress this outbreak, while keeping businesses afloat and workers employed.

"Across projects, the infrastructure sector has highly effective health protocols in place to manage workforce safety, while keeping work running on schedule.

"As we navigate our way out of this crisis, it's critical that the Victorian Government stay the course on delivering its \$53 billion-dollar public investment in infrastructure projects alongside its infrastructure stimulus program.

"We will continue to work closely with the Victorian Government to ensure the construction sector can keep operating in the safest way possible, while supporting the economic recovery out of COVID-19" said Mr Dwyer.

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