

DRAFT 2006 TIMETABLE FOR THE BENDIGO LINE

Tell us if we are on the right track

A better timetable, a modern service

Department of Infrastructure



Rebuilding Regional Rail

The Victorian Government is undertaking the biggest rebuilding of regional rail in 120 years to provide a modern, safe and progressive rail service for all Victorians.

A new V/Line timetable for 2006 will bring together the Government's substantial investment in 38 new trains, rebuilt tracks and signals as well as a major safety upgrade of level crossings.

The end result will be a new era of regional travel. More services will run more often and at the times you want to travel. The new trains will bring better reliability and comfort, with more seating and shorter travelling times. And importantly, the fares for travel on the new trains will be the same as all other V/Line services.

Here's V/Line's NEW draft 2006 timetable

This new draft 2006 timetable is for **weekday services** on the Bendigo line (an improved weekend timetable will also be developed based on customer input). It is not yet final because, as promised, we need to understand if it meets your needs, which allows us to make further improvements if necessary. However, we are pleased that the timetable exceeds the commitment the Government has made to you about increased rail services. We believe it represents a good balance between the different needs of our customers.

Connex, Melbourne's train operator, and Pacific National, the track manager of the regional rail network and Victoria's main rail freight operator, are now undertaking a comprehensive and detailed review of the draft 2006 timetable. This is essential to produce an integrated metropolitan and regional timetable that caters for passenger and freight needs.

The exact arrival and departure times shown in the draft 2006 timetable are likely to change as a result of this review and community feedback. However, the service level and frequency outlined here will be maintained.

How V/Line developed the draft 2006 timetable

Earlier this year we talked to almost 5000 regional customers, to find out what you wanted from a modern train service. We also considered significant community consultation undertaken by the Department of Infrastructure during 2003, which involved forums with regional communities and briefings with local government and community representatives. You told us you wanted:

- More frequent services
- More peak services
- Services that depart at the same time every hour (i.e. 'clock face' departure times)
- Later night services for footy games and other entertainment.

We are pleased to release a draft 2006 timetable that is designed to provide for all these things you say are important.

Benefits for Bendigo line customers

The draft 2006 weekday timetable delivers **substantial benefits** every weekday for Bendigo line travellers.

- An **extra nine services** to and from Bendigo, including:
 - Two extra services in both morning and afternoon peak periods
 - A new early morning service to Bendigo before 9am
- One extra late night service from Melbourne to Bendigo on Friday
- A regular (clock face) timetable in off-peak periods
- Journey times that are up to 35 minutes shorter depending on the actual service
- Improved comfort and reliability through V/Line's new V'Locity trains that will operate many services on this line.

Having YOUR say

We want you to tell us whether we are on track with the draft 2006 timetable by completing the tear-off form at the bottom of this brochure and posting it to us or handing it in at a staffed station. Additional forms are available at stations and online at www.vline.com.au. Comments made on these forms will be taken into account as the timetable process progresses.

What happens next?

Starting from early 2005, V/Line will meet with community representatives to brief them on what we propose and to invite their comment. We will also conduct further customer research on each of our lines to double check that this draft timetable meets your needs. We are seeking feedback between now and May 2005. All comments are welcome. We will then work with Connex and Pacific National to ensure the final timetable works as part of the integrated metropolitan and regional network.

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To Melbourne – Bendigo Line (Monday to Friday) DRAFT ONLY

| Train Type | STP | STP | EXP | STP | STP | STP | STP | STP | STP | S-EXP | STP | STP |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Train Number | 8002 | 8004 | 8006 | 8008 | 8010 | 8012 | 8014 | 8016 | 8018 | 8020 | 8022 | 8024 |
| Operating Day | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F |
| Bendigo | | 5:08 | 6:08 | | 6:18 | | | 6:48 | | 7:38 | | 8:38 |
| Kangaroo Flat | | 5:11 | | | 6:21 | | | | | | | 8:41 |
| Castlemaine | | 5:29 | | | 6:39 | | | 7:09 | | 8:07 | | 9:06 |
| Malmsbury | | 5:42 | | | 6:52 | | | | | | | 9:26 |
| Kyneton | 4:50 | 5:49 | | | 6:59 | | 7:10 | 7:28 | | 8:24 | | 9:32 |
| Woodend | 4:58 | 5:56 | | | 7:06 | | 7:18 | 7:38 | | 8:31 | | 9:40 |
| Macedon | 5:04 | 6:02 | | | 7:12 | | 7:24 | 7:43 | | | | 9:45 |
| Gisborne | 5:08 | 6:06 | | | 7:16 | | 7:28 | 7:47 | | | | 9:49 |
| Riddells Creek | 5:13 | 6:10 | | | 7:20 | | 7:33 | 7:52 | | | | 9:53 |
| Clarkefield | 5:18 | 6:14 | | | 7:24 | | 7:38 | 7:56 | | | | 9:58 |
| Sunbury | 5:26 | 6:22 | | 7:10 | | 7:40 | 7:46 | | 8:10 | | 9:10 | 10:05 |
| Diggers Rest | 5:30 | 6:27 | | 7:15 | | 7:44 | 7:53 | | 8:14 | | 9:14 | 10:10 |
| Watergardens | 5:37 | 6:36 | | 7:24 | 7:42 | 7:52 | 8:00 | 8:13 | 8:21 | | 9:21 | 10:20 |
| St Albans | 5:41 | 6:40 | | 7:32 | | 7:56 | 8:05 | | 8:27 | | 9:27 | 10:24 |
| Sunshine | 5:48 | 6:46 | | 7:38 | | 8:01 | 8:11 | | 8:32 | | 9:32 | 10:29 |
| Footscray | 5:54 | 6:54 | | 7:47 | | 8:09 | 8:19 | | 8:40 | | 9:38 | 10:37 |
| North Melbourne | 5:59 | 7:00 | | 7:52 | 8:03 | 8:14 | 8:24 | 8:34 | 8:45 | 9:18 | 9:43 | 10:42 |
| Spencer Street | 6:03 | 7:03 | 7:32 | 7:56 | 8:06 | 8:19 | 8:28 | 8:39 | 8:50 | 9:22 | 9:47 | 10:46 |

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To Melbourne – Bendigo Line (Monday to Friday) DRAFT ONLY

| Train Type | S-EXP | STP | S-EXP | STP | S-EXP | STP | S-EXP | STP | STP | STP | STP | STP |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Train Number | 8026 | 8028 | 8030 | 8032 | 8034 | 8036 | 8038 | 8048 | 8042 | 8044 | 8046 | 8046 |
| Operating Day | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F |
| Bendigo | 9:38 | | 11:38 | 12:38 | 13:38 | 14:38 | 15:38 | 16:38 | 17:38 | | 19:08 | |
| Kangaroo Flat | | | | 12:41 | | | | 16:41 | | | 19:11 | |
| Castlemaine | 10:04 | | 12:02 | 13:05 | 14:01 | 15:05 | 16:02 | 17:03 | 18:06 | | 19:42 | |
| Malmsbury | | | | 13:24 | | | | 17:16 | | | 19:55 | |
| Kyneton | 10:26 | 11:31 | 12:18 | 13:31 | 14:17 | 15:32 | 16:18 | 17:25 | 18:34 | | 20:04 | |
| Woodend | 10:35 | 11:40 | 12:26 | 13:38 | 14:25 | 15:40 | 16:26 | 17:33 | 18:43 | | 20:12 | |
| Macedon | | 11:45 | | 13:44 | | 15:46 | | 17:39 | 18:49 | | 20:18 | |
| Gisborne | | 11:49 | | 13:48 | | 15:50 | | 17:43 | 18:53 | | 20:22 | |
| Riddells Creek | | 11:53 | | 13:52 | | 15:55 | | 17:48 | 18:58 | | 20:27 | |
| Clarkefield | | 11:58 | | 13:56 | | 16:00 | | 17:53 | 19:03 | | 20:32 | |
| Sunbury | 11:00 | 12:05 | 12:45 | 14:04 | 14:44 | 16:08 | 16:49 | 18:00 | 19:10 | 20:39 | | 21:57 |
| Diggers Rest | | 12:10 | | 14:08 | | 16:12 | | 18:05 | 19:14 | 20:44 | | 22:02 |
| Watergardens | | 12:19 | | 14:18 | | 16:21 | | 18:14 | 19:24 | 20:53 | | 22:11 |
| St Albans | | 12:23 | | 14:22 | | 16:26 | | 18:19 | 19:28 | 20:58 | | 22:16 |
| Sunshine | | 12:29 | | 14:28 | | 16:32 | | 18:25 | 19:34 | 21:03 | | 22:21 |
| Footscray | | 12:36 | | 14:35 | | 16:39 | | 18:32 | 19:41 | 21:09 | | 22:27 |
| North Melbourne | 11:33 | 12:41 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spencer Street | 11:37 | 12:46 | 13:18 | 14:43 | 15:16 | 16:47 | 17:22 | 18:40 | 19:49 | 21:17 | | 22:34 |

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|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Train Number | 8001 | 8003 | 8005 | 8007 | 8009 | 8011 | 8013 | 8015 | 8017 | 8019 | 8021 | 8023 | 8025 |
| Operating Day | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F |
| Spencer Street | 6:15 | 7:15 | 8:15 | 9:15 | 10:15 | 11:15 | 12:15 | 13:15 | 14:15 | 15:15 | 16:15 | 17:15 | 18:15 |
| North Melbourne | | | | | | | 12:19 | 13:19 | 14:19 | 15:19 | 16:19 | 17:19 | 18:19 |
| Footscray | 6:22 | 7:22 | | 9:23 | | 11:23 | | 13:23 | | 15:23 | 16:40 | | 18:33 |
| Sunshine | 6:29 | 7:29 | | 9:30 | | 11:29 | | 13:30 | | 15:30 | 16:46 | | 18:39 |
| St Albans | 6:34 | 7:34 | | 9:35 | | 11:34 | | 13:35 | | 15:35 | 16:52 | | 18:44 |
| Watergardens | 6:42 | 7:42 | | 9:42 | | 11:41 | | 13:42 | | 15:42 | 16:58 | 18:39 | 18:49 |
| Diggers Rest | 6:49 | 7:49 | | 9:49 | | 11:48 | | 13:49 | | 15:49 | 17:05 | | 18:56 |
| Sunbury | 6:54 | 7:54 | | 9:54 | 10:44 | 11:53 | 12:45 | 13:54 | 14:45 | 15:54 | 16:12 | 16:50 | 17:02 |
| Clarkefield | 7:02 | 8:02 | | 10:02 | | 12:01 | | 14:02 | | 16:02 | | 16:58 | |
| Riddells Creek | 7:07 | 8:07 | | 10:07 | | 12:06 | | 14:07 | | 16:07 | | 17:03 | |
| Gisborne | 7:13 | 8:13 | | 10:12 | | 12:12 | | 14:13 | | 16:12 | | 17:08 | |
| Macedon | 7:18 | 8:18 | | 10:17 | | 12:17 | | 14:18 | | 16:17 | | 17:12 | |
| Woodend | 7:25 | 8:25 | 9:04 | 10:23 | 11:05 | 12:24 | 13:05 | 14:25 | 15:05 | 16:23 | | 17:18 | |
| Kyneton | 7:35 | 8:33 | 9:11 | 10:30 | 11:12 | 12:32 | 13:13 | 14:33 | 15:13 | 16:30 | | 17:26 | |
| Malmsbury | | | | | | | | 14:39 | | | | 17:31 | |
| Castlemaine | 7:51 | 8:49 | 9:27 | 11:29 | 12:48 | 13:28 | 14:50 | 15:28 | 16:46 | | | 17:43 | |
| Kangaroo Flat | | | | | | | 15:06 | | | | | 17:59 | |
| Bendigo | 8:16 | 9:13 | 9:56 | 11:50 | 13:12 | 13:50 | 15:13 | 15:50 | 17:11 | | | 18:06 | |

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|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Train Number | 8027 | 8029 | 8031 | 8033 | 8035 | 8037 | 8039 | 8041 | 8043 | 8045 | 8047 | 8051 | 8051 |
| Operating Day | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | M - F | F |
| Spencer Street | 16:45 | 16:55 | 17:10 | 17:25 | 17:48 | 17:54 | 18:15 | 18:45 | 19:15 | 20:15 | 21:15 | 23:45 | 23:45 |
| North Melbourne | | 16:59 | 17:14 | 17:29 | 17:52 | 17:58 | 18:19 | 18:49 | 19:19 | 20:19 | 21:19 | 23:49 | 23:49 |
| Footscray | | 17:03 | | 17:35 | | 18:02 | | 18:54 | 19:23 | 20:23 | 21:23 | 23:53 | 23:53 |
| Sunshine | | 17:09 | | 17:42 | | 18:08 | | 19:00 | 19:30 | 20:30 | 21:30 | 23:59 | 23:59 |
| St Albans | | 17:14 | | 17:48 | | 18:13 | | 19:05 | 19:35 | 20:35 | 21:35 | 0:04 | 0:04 |
| Watergardens | | 17:22 | 17:35 | 17:58 | | 18:21 | 18:38 | 19:12 | 19:42 | 20:42 | 21:42 | 0:10 | 0:10 |
| Diggers Rest | | 17:29 | | 18:05 | | 18:28 | | 19:19 | 19:49 | 20:49 | 21:49 | 0:17 | 0:17 |
| Sunbury | | 17:35 | | 18:12 | | 18:32 | | 19:25 | 19:54 | 20:54 | 21:54 | 0:22 | 0:22 |
| Clarkefield | | | 17:52 | | 18:41 | 18:54 | | 20:02 | 21:02 | 22:02 | 23:02 | 0:30 | 0:30 |
| Riddells Creek | | | 17:57 | | 18:46 | 18:59 | | 20:07 | 21:07 | 22:07 | 23:07 | 0:35 | 0:35 |
| Gisborne | | | 18:02 | | 18:52 | 19:05 | | 20:12 | 21:12 | 22:12 | 23:12 | 0:40 | 0:40 |
| Macedon | | | 18:06 | | 18:57 | 19:09 | | 20:17 | 21:17 | 22:17 | 23:17 | 0:45 | 0:45 |
| Woodend | | | 18:12 | | 18:45 | 19:03 | | 19:15 | 20:23 | 21:23 | 22:23 | 0:51 | 0:51 |
| Kyneton | | | 18:20 | | 18:53 | 19:13 | | 19:22 | 20:30 | 21:30 | 22:30 | 0:58 | 0:58 |
| Malmsbury | | | | | | | 19:28 | | 21:36 | | 23:04 | 1:04 | 1:04 |
| Castlemaine | | | 18:36 | | 19:14 | 19:39 | | 20:46 | 21:47 | 22:46 | 23:46 | 1:15 | 1:15 |
| Kangaroo Flat | | | | | | | 19:58 | | 22:03 | | 23:31 | 1:31 | 1:31 |
| Bendigo | 18:09 | | 19:00 | | 19:40 | 20:05 | | 21:08 | 22:11 | 23:08 | 24:08 | 1:39 | 1:39 |

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Feedback

We welcome your feedback on whether you think this draft timetable meets your needs. Comments made on the official feedback form will be considered in the review process. Forms are available from stations and online at www.vline.com.au.

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YES
NO

Do you travel on V/Line? YES NO

Would you consider travelling on V/Line? YES NO

Which line do you use the most? (please circle)

Bendigo
 Ballarat
 Latrobe Valley
 Geelong

What station do you most often travel from?

Why do you travel with V/Line? (Tick box)

Work/Study
 Appointments
 Leisure
 Holidays
 Events

Does the draft 2006 timetable meet your travelling needs? (please circle)

Totally Disagree
 Disagree
 Mostly Agree
 Agree
 Strongly Agree

If you do not agree, why?

What other timetable improvements do you think should be made?

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YES
NO

Would you like to receive updates on:

- Draft 2006 timetable development?
- Other V/Line service information and news

How would you like us to communicate with you? (please circle)

Email
 Flyers
 Website
 Newspaper
 V/Line Newsletter

Please provide contact details (optional)

Name

Contact details