

Regional trails

Regional trails are important tourist attractions, provide alternatives for commuters and play a vital role in the region's health and wellbeing.

Trails provide opportunities for walkers, runners, cyclists, water sport users and horse riders. Some of the trails provide opportunities for transport, exercise, recreation and sight-seeing to residents and visitors in Melbourne's east.

Regional trails accommodate multiple user groups, are mostly off-road, have a relatively long and continuous length and have a regional scale, purpose and/or impact.

Twenty-two existing or potential trails have been identified and assessed in the eastern region of Melbourne.

The Eastern Regional Trails Strategy has documented a realistic planning framework and implementable action plan to establish a high-quality network of integrated and connected shared trails sensitively linking communities, destinations and a diverse range of urban and natural environments.

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Congestion-beating alternative

Regional trails provide a range of benefits to the community, including social, health, commuting, environmental, and economic and tourism.

Active transport modes and the infrastructure associated with them are increasingly being seen as an important part of the solution to traffic congestion associated with population growth.

But increases in active transport also create

challenges for the existing trail network, such as the inability of some trails to cater for higher numbers due to constrained corridors and other obstacles.

Get the region moving

ERG seeks funds for high priority trails including:

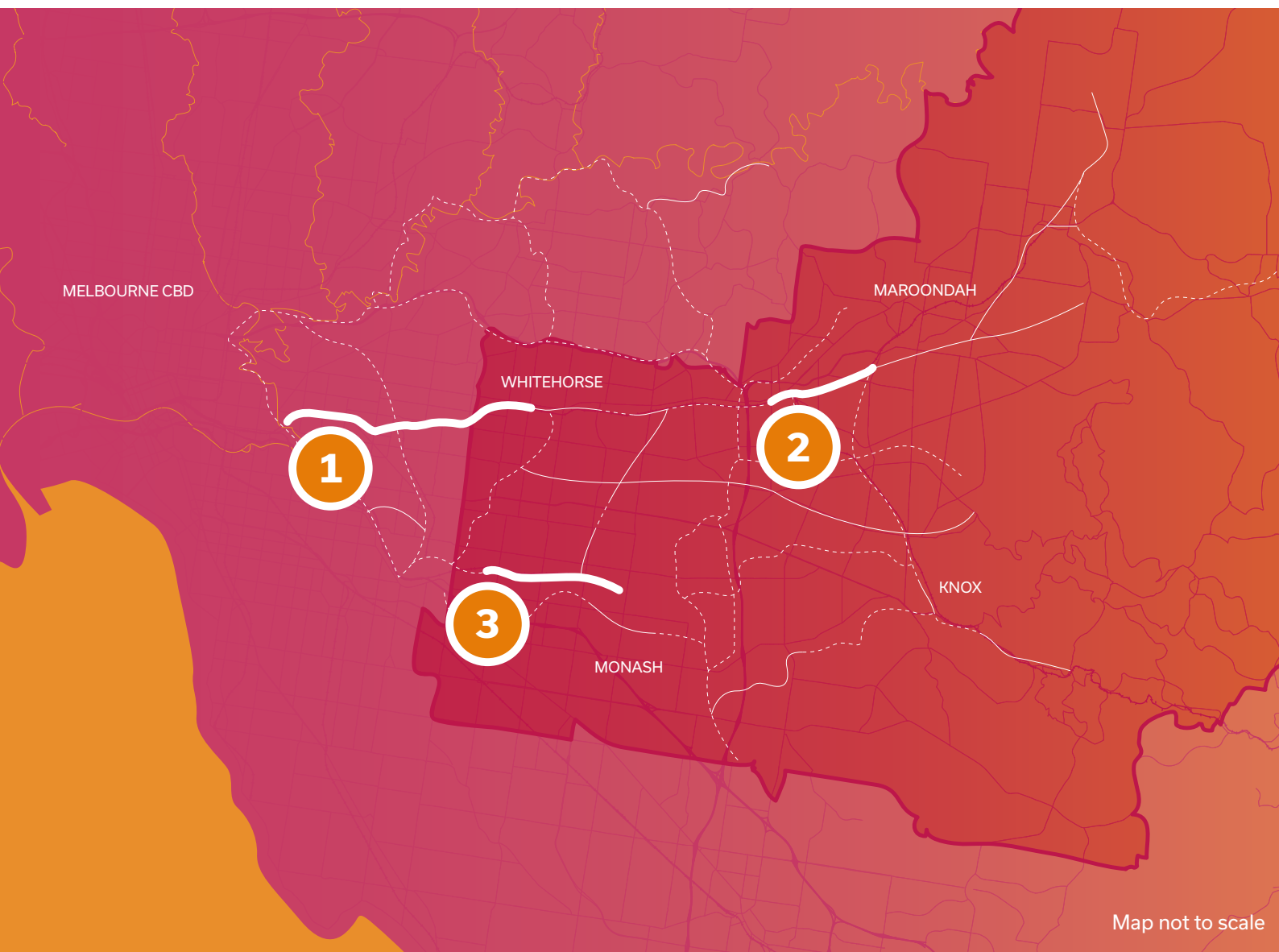
Extend Box Hill-Ringwood Trail from Ringwood Station to Croydon Station: **\$1 million +**

Extend Box Hill-Ringwood Trail from Box Hill Station to Hawthorn Station: **\$1 million+**

Close the gaps in the Waverley Rail Trail (east of Jordanville Station to west of Mount Waverley Station, and around Glen Waverley Station): **\$1 million+**

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Map not to scale

1

Hawthorn to Box Hill Rail Trail

Extend the Box Hill to Ringwood Rail Trail west from Box Hill Station to Hawthorn Station.

2

Ringwood to Croydon Rail Trail

Extend the Box Hill to Ringwood Rail Trail east from Ringwood Station to Croydon Station and to connect to the Carrum to Warburton Trail.

3

Glen Waverley Rail Trail

Close the gaps around Jordanville, Mount Waverley and Glen Waverley stations to complete the Glen Waverley Rail Trail