

RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE CAPABILITY STATEMENT





INTRODUCTION

Casello has established a highly regarded track record in delivering precision cladding and carpentry solutions for over 34 critical rail infrastructure projects across Victoria. We excel at overcoming unique logistical and operational challenges. This includes expertly managing restricted site access, coordinating intricate logistics, and installing in operational and confined areas.

We pride ourselves on being a trusted and reliable partner, leveraging our expertise to successfully contribute to some of the state's most significant developments, including the Level Crossing Removal Project, the Underground Rail Loop, and the Metro Tunnel.



CAPABILITY

CLADDING SOLUTIONS

We deliver comprehensive, end-to-end cladding services tailored for rail projects of all scales. We specialise in the design, development, installation, and fixing of cladding systems, ranging from standard functional solutions to high-end architectural finishes. Leveraging a well-established supply chain, we manage the sourcing, manufacturing, and certification of a broad spectrum of cladding materials. Our deep expertise in material management and commissioning ensures seamless integration of cladding solutions, consistently meeting the rigorous technical and safety standards demanded by transport construction environments.

CARPENTRY

Casello is the largest subcontractor for commercial carpentry, delivering comprehensive design, material supply and fixings, installation services and site establishment temporary structures. Our selected materials are fabricated in-house at our dedicated factories, leveraging advanced off-site production capabilities supported by CNC machinery, table saws, brake presses, and guillotines. Trusted for delivering bespoke carpentry solutions tailored to technically demanding project requirements, our expertise extends beyond high-end feature timberwork to include precision metalwork, aluminium, and stainless steel fabrications, ensuring a full-spectrum service to meet diverse project needs.

EXPERT LABOUR HIRE

With a workforce of over 200 directly employed, qualified EBA-compliant tradespeople, supported by in-house onboarding, compliance, and training teams, we deliver skilled and scalable labour hire solutions tailored to complex infrastructure environments. Our approach ensures each worker is matched to their role based on qualifications and experience, allowing us to respond rapidly to shifting site demands, including high-intensity programs and 24-hour operations. This capability has been refined across more than 400 commercial and infrastructure projects, where we've supported both short-term deployments and sustained delivery phases. Our track record in managing workforce fatigue, maintaining a strong site presence during critical occupations, and upholding strict safety and compliance standards makes us a dependable partner in high-pressure delivery settings.



SUPPORTING SERVICES

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Casello brings a dedicated in-house project management team with the proven capability to lead complex infrastructure works in high-pressure delivery environments. Embedded within our broader operations, our project managers provide hands-on coordination across carpentry, cladding, and labour scopes, ensuring alignment between design intent, site execution, and program requirements.

Supported by integrated administrative, procurement, and labour management systems, our team oversees every stage of project delivery, from early-stage investigations and constructability reviews through to installation, commissioning, and final handover. This internal structure enables a high degree of responsiveness, with project managers able to mobilise early, manage site interfaces, and maintain detailed oversight of progress and compliance throughout the build.

ESTIMATING

Our experienced estimating team delivers accurate, fixed-price quotations for both preliminary and fully documented projects. Drawing on historical construction cost data from hundreds of completed jobs adjusted to current market conditions and supported by independent supplier pricing, our estimators work closely with clients and head contractors to evaluate scopes of work and refine submissions to meet every project requirement.



DRAFTING

Pre-planning is essential to ensuring safety and compliance on cladding projects,, which is why we provide in-house drafting services to our partners. With the oversight of experienced engineers and technicians, our teams transform designs into compliant, construction-ready technical drawings in 2D or 3D.

QUALIFIED STAFF

Project personnel are regularly trained in core competencies. Onsite staff receive upskilling in areas such as contract management, emergency response, working at heights, elevated work platforms, and rail training. Consistent training is also provided to all apprentices via Casello's partnership with AGA.

PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

We know that the foundation of a successful rail project is built long before construction begins. Our pre-construction services are designed to provide expert guidance during the critical early stages.

We offer advice on

- **Material lead-times, pricing, and design considerations**
- **Fabrication considerations**
- **Expected labour numbers and install durations**
- **High level budget advice**
- **Targeted, detailed budget advice**
- **Drawing on our experience, we share lessons learned to help mitigate**
- **Value management opportunities including large scale design alternatives**



MOOROOLBARK STATION

Prefabricated frames with engineered connections.

Casello, with the assistance of CMG and their design team, provided an alternative framing system to replace the original structural steel. This solution not only delivered significant cost savings for SEPA but also reduced the time required for engineering calculations, shop drawings, and fabrication of the framing, both on-site and off-site. Additionally, Casello offered a 100-year design life through Bluescope. This approach has been successfully implemented multiple times across our LXP and Metro Tunnel Station projects.

CARRUM STATION

Lightweight and strong, light gauge steel (LGS) framing

Casello played a crucial role in the Carrum Station project, where the elevated platform required careful consideration of dynamic and wind loads due to vibrations from trains and increased wind speeds from its proximity to Carrum Beach. In collaboration with CMG Frames, Casello helped design and prefabricate lightweight, durable LGS frame box sections that were engineered to withstand these forces while maintaining a large cavity for essential services. These complex sections were pre-clad and carefully lifted into place to conceal essential services beneath the station overpass. Despite tight timeframes and significant site restrictions, our team delivered precise and strong frames, which contributed to the project's exceptional cost efficiency. The Carrum Station development was recognised with the Victorian ASI Steel Excellence Award and has become a model for future level crossing redevelopments.



BELL STATION

Prefabricated light gauge steel framing solution.

As part of the Mernda Line upgrade, Casello was engaged by the North Western Program Alliance to deliver the prefabricated façade framing for the architectural feature walls at the new Bell Station.

The primary challenge lay in the station's large glazed façades, which were originally designed to be constructed on-site using a traditional stick-built method with structural steel. Given the complex geometry and angular articulation of the façade, this method posed significant risks to program delivery, particularly within the constrained timeframes of the occupation shutdown.

To mitigate this, Casello proposed a prefabricated light gauge steel framing solution to expedite installation without compromising the architectural intent. Leveraging our prior experience with NWP and shutdown-sensitive environments, we worked closely with CMG Frames to engineer and manufacture the prefabricated modules off-site.

A total of 36 prefabricated LGS modules were delivered, 18 per elevation varying in size from 2m x 2m to 5.3m high x 2m wide. The frames were constructed using G550 TRUECORE® steel with a 1.0mm base metal thickness, selected for its high strength-to-weight ratio and reliability in external façade applications.

3D modelling software was used to meet seismic, wind and structural load requirements while ensuring precision across all fixings, mounting plates, support brackets and glazing interfaces. This dimensional accuracy allowed for the early procurement of imported glazing units, knowing they would integrate seamlessly into the frames upon arrival.

Modules were delivered to site fully assembled and installed using a mobile crane and a small crew. The prefabricated approach avoided the need for perimeter scaffolding, enhanced site safety, and reduced time on-site, all critical advantages during the tightly scheduled rail shutdown period.

Casello's prefabricated solution not only preserved the design vision but also reduced construction risk safeguarded the program and demonstrated the efficiency of modular delivery within complex infrastructure settings.



PROJECTS



St Albans Station LXR
LXR - CPB Contractors

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,800,000	2016



Ginifer Station LXR
LXR - CPB Contractors

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,200,000	2016



Bayswater Station LXR
Hutchinson Builders

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$780,000	2016



Blackburn Station LXR
LXR - CPB Contractors

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$380,000	2017



Moreland Station LXR
North West Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,600,000	2021



Coburg Station LXR
North West Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,300,000	2021



Bell Station LXR
North West Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$2,800,000	2022



Aircraft Station LXR
Western Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,400,000	2022



Heatherdale Station LXR
LXR - CPB Contractors

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$890,000	2017



Mernda Station LXR
LXR - John Holland

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$195,000	2018



Hawkstowe LXR
LXR - John Holland

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$165,000	2018



Clayton Station LXR
LXR - Caulfield to Dandenong

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,500,000	2018



Hoppers Crossing Station LXR
Western Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$3,500,000	2022



Gap Road, Sunbury
Rail Infrastructure Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$425,000	2022



Greensborough Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$4,100,000	2023



Pakenham Station LXR
North West Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$7,500,000	2023



Noble Park Station LXR
LXR - Caulfield to Dandenong

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,500,000	2018



Rosanna Station LXR
North East Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$3,500,000	2019



Carrum Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$2,260,000	2020



Cheltenham Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,900,000	2020



Glenhuntly Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,250,000	2023



Parkdale Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$2,300,000	2024



Melbourne Underground Rail Loop
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$8,200,000	2024



Metro Tunnel - Anzac Station
Cross Yarra Partnership

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$5,400,000	2024



Oakleigh Station LXR
LXR - Caulfield to Dandenong

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,800,000	2016



Chelsea Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,800,000	2016



Edithvale Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,800,000	2016



Mooroolbark Station LXR
South East Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,800,000	2016



Croydon Station LXR
South East Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$6,500,000	2024



Metro Tunnel - Town Hall Station
Cross Yarra Partnership

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$7,200,000	2025



Metro Tunnel - State Library Station
Cross Yarra Partnership

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$6,800,000	2025



Mordialloc Station LXR
Southern Program Alliance

CONTRACT VALUE	COMPLETED
\$1,200,000	2026

PROCUREMENT:

Inclusive Procurement

Casello uses its buying power to generate social value wherever possible. The majority of Casello's suppliers are local businesses, and the company financially supports social enterprises that create employment opportunities for disenfranchised Australians.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commitment

We continue to build purposeful partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses, including those providing labour hire, workwear, and stationery, while maintaining a 5% target for Indigenous employees.

Apprentices, Trainees, Cadets

Through partnerships with A2B, AGA and Holmesglen Tafe, Casello has maintained a 15% target of employed Australian apprentices, trainees, and cadets - investing in the future of our industry.

Sustainability Policy

Casello aspires to minimise environmental impact, adopting new technologies in Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD), renewable energy usage, and recyclable or biodegradable materials - and working only with partners that share this vision.

Women in Construction

Casello is committed to supporting women in construction and aligning with Victoria's Building Equality Policy. Currently, approximately 12% of our tradespeople and 40% of our senior staff are women, with a continued focus on increasing female representation.

Anti-Bribery & Corruption Policy

Casello is committed to a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption, operating with a collective commitment to act with integrity, accountability, and transparency at all times.

Equal Opportunity Policy & Procedure

Casello recognises that Equal Employment Opportunity is a matter of employer obligation, social justice, and legal responsibility. It also recognises that prohibiting discriminatory policies and procedures is sound management practice.



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