

Sydney Metro is Australia's biggest public transport project.

Services start in 2019 in the city's North West with a train every four minutes in the peak. Metro rail will be extended into the CBD and beyond to Bankstown in 2024. There will be new CBD metro railway stations underground at Martin Place, Pitt Street and Barangaroo and new metro platforms under Central.

In 2024, Sydney will have 31 metro railway stations and a 66 km standalone metro railway system – the biggest urban rail project in Australian history. There will be ultimate capacity for a metro train every two minutes in each direction under the Sydney city centre.

Work in the rail corridor between Artarmon and Chatswood

When Sydney Metro Northwest opens between Rouse Hill and Chatswood in 2019, capacity on the T1 North Shore Line will increase to 20 trains per hour. To enable this increased capacity work is underway between Waitara and Waverton stations, and around Epping Station. Work started in March 2016 and includes signalling and electrical upgrades. Work is also underway between Artarmon and Chatswood stations to prepare for the future connection of Sydney Metro Northwest and Sydney Metro City & Southwest at Chatswood. This work includes signal and electrical upgrades, the removal of existing rail infrastructure and construction of new track and systems.

Standard work hours

Standard working hours are Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm and Saturday between 8am and 1pm.

Out-of-hours work

Due to the nature of some activities and for the safety of workers, some work will occur outside standard construction hours when trains are not running. Some equipment will also be delivered outside standard construction hours in line with RMS requirements for transporting oversized vehicles.

New work will involve:

- Removal of **Hopetoun Avenue Access Ramp**.
 - Removal of Hopetoun Avenue access ramp began in **November 2018** and will continue to **February 2019**.
 - Works will involve excavation and spoil removal via Hopetoun Avenue. This is expected to be noisy.
 - Construction of a retaining wall, excavation of the eastern embankment within the rail corridor and shotcreteing will occur between **January and April 2019**.
 - Works may take place from **6pm Monday to 6pm Saturday** during this period.
- Removal of **Nelson Street Bridge**.
 - There will be intermittent closures of Nelson Street between **Monday 7 January to Friday 8 February** due to machinery movements and concrete pours taking place at the bridge. Traffic control will be in place to maintain access for residents.
 - Between **Monday 11 February and Friday 22 February** daily deliveries will occur on Nelson Street. Traffic control will be in place.
 - Preparation works to remove the bridge will begin in **February 2019**.
 - Work on Nelson Street Bridge will include the use of concrete saws, concrete core drills and Impact wrenches. These works will take place during week nights and are expected to be noisy.
 - Removal of the bridge structure will occur on **Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 February 2019**.

- Nelson Street will be closed during the removal of the bridge. Large cranes will be located on both the east and west side of Nelson Street to facilitate the removal works. Traffic control will be in place to maintain access for residents.
- Additional excavation to remove redundant footings and concrete structures associated with the bridge will take place between **late February and September 2019**.

Ongoing corridor work involves:

- Installation of security fencing between Artarmon and Chatswood stations (until April 2019).
- Drainage improvements between Brand and Drake streets, including construction of a new stormwater detention tank and discharge control pit (until April 2019). Brand lane will be temporarily closed to the end of April 2019 as part of these works.
- Signalling and electrical upgrades including cable pulling and the installation of new overhead wiring, footings, steel structures (masts), and connecting booms on masts between Waitara and Waverton stations (until mid-2019).
- Vegetation trimming or removal as required making way for construction work and new infrastructure.
- Staged parking removal on Nelson Street (eastern side) will be required to complete the works. This will begin from 7 January 2019 to late February 2019.

What to expect:

- Access to the rail corridor, deliveries and spoil removal will be via the existing gates in Brand and Drake Streets and Cleland, Burra, Lambs and Hampden Roads, Artarmon, and Hopetoun Avenue, Wilson Street, and Mowbray Road, in Chatswood and Chandos Street and Canberra Avenue in St Leonards.
- Temporary fencing and hoarding barricades, entrances or exits, gates, lighting, and the like will be installed to provide a safe and secure site. Erection of safety, warning, and signage as required.
- Support sites and compounds may be in use up to 24 hours a day when trains are not running.
- Temporary parking, traffic, and pedestrian changes may be required.
- Some activities are expected to be noisy. The project team will minimise noise impacts wherever possible by reducing the number of machines operating at the same time and turning off equipment when not in use.

Keeping you informed

Properties close to the rail corridor will receive notifications when work is scheduled to occur. Sydney Trains will deliver notifications for work done during scheduled rail maintenance periods and Sydney Metro will keep you informed of all other work. **If you'd prefer to receive updates by email, please contact Alex who can add you to the distribution list.**

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Sydney Metro please call **Alex** on **1800 171 386** (24 hour community information line) or sydneymetro@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Thank you for your cooperation while we complete these essential works.

