

NOTIFICATION – EXTENSION TO TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF BRAND LANE | 16 APRIL

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.

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.

Upcoming new work

- **Extension to the temporary closure of Brand Lane between Brand and Drake Streets.**
 - Brand Lane will remain closed until June 2019, to ensure public safety while construction of drainage and stormwater infrastructure takes place.
 - Temporary detours will remain in place to redirect pedestrians and cyclists via Elizabeth Street.
- **Temporary closure of a section of Brand Street footpath adjacent to Brand Lane.**
 - This small section of footpath will be closed from 23 April to the end of May 2019, to ensure public safety during removal of material from site, including some asbestos-containing materials. Safe Work NSW Code of Practice requirements for asbestos removal will be followed for the safety of workers and the community.
 - Temporary detours and traffic management will be in place to redirect pedestrians and cyclists to the other side of Brand Street.

Ongoing corridor work in standard hours:

Standard working hours are Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm and Saturday between 8am and 1pm. This work is covered by previous construction notifications, for further information please see the Sydney Metro website.

- Installation of security fencing and noise walls between Artarmon and Chatswood stations (until May 2019).
- Drainage improvements between Valetta Lane and Chatswood Oval, including construction of a new stormwater detention tank and discharge control pit (until May 2019).
- Temporary closure of Brand Lane between Brand Street and Drake Street (from 5 December 2018 to June 2019).

- 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).
- Work to remove Nelson Street Bridge and associated structures (until September 2019).
- Vegetation trimming or removal as required to make way for construction work and new infrastructure.

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, 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 and warning 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

