Sydney Metro is Australia’s biggest public transport project.

Services started in May 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 at Martin Place, Pitt Street and Barangaroo and new metro platforms at 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.

Laing O’Rourke is delivering the new Sydney Metro platforms under Central Station as well as the landmark Central Walk - a new underground pedestrian concourse to help customers get around Sydney’s busiest railway.

**Upcoming work at Central Station**

During July, work will continue at Central Station in the metro platforms excavation area, suburban platforms, ESR (Eastern Suburbs Railway) concourse, upper and lower Northern Concourse and Platforms 9, 10-11 and 12.

On Chalmers Street and Randle Lane, Surry Hills, demolition work takes place at 20-28 Chalmers Street for the new entrance to Central Walk and the station.

Work will continue in the following areas (subject to approval):

- Piling, station box excavation, shotcreting, archaeological excavation, demolishing existing structures, spoil removal and installing new concrete foundation slabs within former Platforms 13-15 and Sydney Yard
- Preparatory works for installing scaffold walkway modules at the north end of the former Platforms 13-15
- Shotcreting (concreting) and installing supports around outside of Suburban Tunnel perimeter walls
- Investigating and diverting services and ceiling panel removal in pedestrian tunnels, Northern Concourse, ESR and Grand Concourse
- Cleaning and removing canopy and services on upper and lower Northern Concourse and Grand Concourse
- Piling, excavating, concreting and demolishing within hoarding on upper and lower Northern Concourse
- Ongoing installing and adjusting hoarding work areas on upper and lower Northern Concourse and ESR Concourse
- Demolishing floor slab within ESR hoarded work zone and installing new services rooms
- Installing hoarding and working in Southern Baggage Tunnel
- Installing hoarded work areas, demolishing sections of platform and concreting on Platforms 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 and 22-23
- Installing new concrete slab at station end of Platforms 9 and 10-11
- Installing new concrete slab at station end of Platforms 9 and 10-11
- Demolition work at 20-28 Chalmers Street
- Excavating and installing services in Platform 1
- Delivering materials, services investigations, services diversions and relocations surveying, monitoring and using pedestrian tunnels in off-peak hours.

Due to the nature of some activities, to minimise impacts to customers and for the safety of workers, **some of this work will occur outside standard construction hours and when trains are not running.**

**Standard working hours**

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

**Out-of-hours work**

Out-of-hours are Monday to Friday 6pm to 7am, Friday 6pm to Saturday 8am and weekends Saturday 1pm through to Monday 7am.

From **6pm Wednesday 3 July to 6pm Tuesday 9 July**, excavation and service installation will occur around the clock along Platform 1. During this time, access to 18 Lee Street will be available from Lee Street only, not via Platform 1.
From **Saturday 13 to Sunday 14 July** (48 hours continuously), work at the station end of Platforms 9, 10-11 and 12 and upper / lower Northern Concourse areas of the station includes:

- Piling activities, installing wall posts, services investigation and saw cutting within the hoarded work zone on upper Northern Concourse and on the tracks at the station end
- Commissioning concreting and other finishing work completing the extensions of Platforms 9, 10-11.

**Site access**

- Spoil removal, machinery and material deliveries will be made via Sydney Yard Access Bridge located at Regent Street
- Deliveries to loading dock off Pitt Street will occur each evening and overnight
- Vehicles and deliveries will access 20-28 Chalmers Street via Randle Lane. Local access will be maintained
- Some high-rail vehicles will access the rail corridor via Chalmers, Elizabeth and Gibbons street entrances.

**Map of construction work zones**

**What to expect**

- During July there will be **temporary closures of the Suburban Tunnel** from the Upper Northern Concourse to the ESR Concourse to facilitate works in the area. Temporary signage to station exits and platforms will be updated to help customers move safely and quickly around the station.
- Excavating and installing services along Platform 1 will be undertaken at times in July between Thursday to Tuesday, to ensure no disruption to the Indian Pacific service every Wednesday.
- At times this work will be noisy. To minimise noise, high-noise generating activities are scheduled (where possible) during daytime hours.

Machinery used during the month include: crawler cranes, piling rigs, excavators, vacuum trucks, concrete trucks, tipper trucks and construction vehicles, hand and power tools including jack hammers and concrete saws.

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

If you have any questions please contact the Stakeholder and Community Team on 1800 171 386 (24 hour community information line) or centralstationmetro@transport.nsw.gov.au.