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 station.

Upcoming work at Central 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
- Demolishing redundant tunnel section off the Southern Baggage Tunnel
- Investigating and diverting services and ceiling panel removal in pedestrian tunnels, upper and lower Northern Concourse, Eastern Suburbs Railway (ESR) Concourse and Grand Concourse
- Reinforcing, supporting and preparing Southern Baggage Tunnel for future work
- Cleaning and removing canopy and services on upper and lower Northern Concourse and Grand Concourse
- Excavating, concreting, reinforcing beams, installing steel and demolition within hoarding on upper and lower Northern Concourse
- Building small services room beside entrance to Eddy Avenue
- Installing new services rooms within ESR Concourse hoarded work zone
- Cleaning and removal of ceiling panels within ESR Concourse fenced work zone
- Demolishing sections of platform and concreting on Platforms 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 and 22-23 within hoarded work areas in preparation for Central Walk excavation work
- Finishing services relocation in Randle Lane and starting piling work at 20-28 Chalmers Street
- Excavating and installing services in Platform 1, near Mortuary Station and in the Railway Institute Driveway
- Delivering materials, services investigations, services diversions and relocations, surveying, monitoring and using pedestrian tunnels in off-peak hours
- Installing new lighting along the Platform 12 Temporary Platform for former Platforms 13-15 work area.

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.

Friday 1 November to Sunday 3 November (continuously), the following work will occur:

- Excavation and services installation along Platform 1
- Investigations within the Railway Institute Driveway.

Friday 8 November to Sunday 10 November (continuously), the following work will occur:

- Excavation and services installation along Platform 1
- Reinforcing a 40-metre section on the edge of Platform 21 ahead of future work for Central Walk.

Saturday 16 November to Sunday 17 November (48 hours continuously), the following work will occur:

- Installing scaffold and ceiling beam and removing roof canopy adjacent to new entry to Suburban Tunnel
- Installing new lighting along the Platform 16 hoarding wall for former Platforms 13-15 work area.
Saturday 23 November to Sunday 24 November (48 hours continuously), the following work will occur:

- Removing sections of the Platform 16 perimeter wall for future installing of new canopy roof column
- Reinforcing a 40-metre section on the edge of Platform 17 ahead of future work for Central Walk. Central Walk work will also take place on Platform 18.
- Relocation of services on Track 23.

Saturday 30 November to Sunday 1 December (48 hours continuously), the following work will occur:

- Reinforcing a 40-metre section on the edge of Platform 22 ahead of future work for Central Walk.
- Preparation work for Central Walk will also take place on Platforms 16, 17 and 19.

Site access

- Spoil removal, machinery and material deliveries will be made via Sydney Yard Access Bridge located at Regent Street
- Deliveries to the loading dock off Pitt Street will occur each evening and overnight
- Vehicles and deliveries will access 20-28 Chalmers Street via Randle Lane. During the month, Randle Lane will be a no through road at times to general traffic but local access will be maintained at all times
- At times during the month there will be delivery and removal of large equipment on Randle Street. This may be outside of standard construction hours
- Some high-rail vehicles will access the rail corridor via Chalmers, Elizabeth and Gibbons street entrances.

What to expect

- At times this work will be noisy. To minimise noise, high-noise generating activities are scheduled (where possible) during daytime hours
- Noise generated by various work activities may be heard while moving around the underground concourses and tunnels within the station
- Machinery used during the month will include crawler cranes, piling rigs, excavators, vacuum trucks, concrete trucks, tipper trucks and construction vehicles, hand and power tools including jackhammers and concrete saws.

Map of construction work zones

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.