

Monthly Update – Central Station

August 2020

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Central Station and 20-28 Chalmers Street site — Upcoming work

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

Station box (former Platforms 13-15) and Sydney Yard

- Excavating the station box, shotcreting, loading out of excavated materials and installing new concrete foundation slabs (24/7*, see overleaf).

Central Walk

- Excavating for Central Walk, shotcreting, loading out of excavated materials and installing new concrete beams underneath suburban Platforms 16-23 (24/7*, see overleaf)
- Excavating within hoarded work zones on suburban Platforms 16-23 and platform surface excavation during rail possession weekends.

New Chalmers Street entrance (20-28 Chalmers Street site)

- Excavating, loading out of excavated materials, concreting, lifting and installing ground support.**
- Installing canopy tubes (horizontal piles) below Chalmers Street.
- Service relocation below Randle Lane level.

Upper and lower Northern Concourse

- Excavating, concreting, reinforcing beams, removing roof canopy, installing steel posts, props and demolition within hoardings on upper and lower Northern Concourse
- Installing new parts to and modifying the existing covered pedestrian walkway
- Installing new steel roof sections mid-week nights using the tower crane on the Northern Concourse adjacent to track 16. There will be closures of the paid Grand Northern Concourse, lift, escalators, stairs, Suburban Tunnel during this time. Please follow directions of station staff.
- **The Suburban Tunnel will remain closed for two weeks from 24 July.** The lift, stairs and escalators between the Grand and Northern Concourse will remain open, however there will be a temporary alternate route to the lift at the Grand North Concourse level.
- Installing steel frame for new lifts and testing and commissioning new escalators.

Around the station

- Building new services rooms within ESR Concourse and within the Ghost Platforms
- Investigating and diverting services, and removing ceiling panels in pedestrian tunnels, upper and lower Northern Concourse, ESR Concourse, Grand Concourse and Southern Concourse
- Grouting and drilling within the ESR Concourse hoarded work area. The temporary ramp will remain open at all times
- Excavating and installing services within the rail corridor, near Lee Street substation and Mortuary Station, and in the Railway Institute Driveway
- Installing services in the ceiling along the western side of Eddy Avenue forecourt from the unpaid concourse down to Eddy Avenue and trenching to install services at the northern end of Eddy Avenue forecourt into a services room on the western side.

- Delivering materials, services investigations, services diversions and relocations, surveying, monitoring around the station and using pedestrian tunnels.

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.**

Central Station — Upcoming weekend work in August

Saturday 1 August to early Monday 3 August (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Excavating on Platforms 16-17 and 18-19, and changing hoarding layout. This work will include saw cutting and rock breaking as well as reinstatement of a temporary brushed concrete platform surface
- Services installation and cleaning canopies on Platforms 16-17, 18-19 and 20-21
- Installing new steel roof sections using the tower crane on the Northern Concourse adjacent to track 16. There will be closures of the paid Grand Northern Concourse, lift, escalators, stairs, Suburban Tunnel during this time. Please follow directions of station staff
- Oversize vehicles delivering structural steel overnight and materials during this time.

Saturday 8 August to early Monday 10 August (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Installing new steel roof sections using the tower crane on the Northern Concourse adjacent to track 16 and preparation for the new roof adjacent to Platform 8 and the Grand North Concourse ticket gates.
- There will be closures of the paid Grand Northern Concourse, lift, escalators, stairs, Suburban Tunnel during this time. Please follow directions of station staff.

Saturday 15 August to early Monday 17 August (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Installing new steel roof sections using the tower crane on the Northern Concourse adjacent to track 16 and preparation for the new roof adjacent to Platform 8 and the Grand North Concourse ticket gates.
- There will be closures of the paid Grand Northern Concourse, lift, escalators, stairs, Suburban Tunnel during this time. Please follow directions of station staff.

Saturday 22 August to Sunday 23 August (48 hours continuously) the following work will occur:

- Excavating on Platforms 22-23, and changing hoarding layout. This work will include saw cutting and rock breaking as well as reinstatement of a temporary brushed concrete platform surface.
- Services installation work and cleaning canopies on Platforms 21 and 22-23.

Saturday 29 August to Sunday 30 August (48 hours continuously) the following work will occur:

- Services works on Platforms 24-25.
- Works on the on upper and lower Northern Concourse to install new parts to and modifying the existing covered pedestrian walkway to enable the commissioning new escalators.
- Demolition works within hoardings on upper and lower Northern Concourse.

What to expect

- * Excavation and load out of excavation materials at Central Station Metro site occur 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- ** **Change of standard construction hours** — The NSW Government has introduced extended operating hours for construction sites to support the industry during the evolving COVID-19 situation, with sites now able to operate on weekends and public holidays. The standard construction hours at the Sydney Metro site **at 20–28 Chalmers Street** will change to 7am-6pm Mon-Sun including public holidays. **Note: Sydney Metro is not currently working on Sundays at the Chalmers Street site, to minimise impact to the surrounding community. Please register for CSM weekly email updates for the latest information.** There will be no change to high-impact noise and vibration activities which are still only permitted Monday to Friday (8am-6pm) and Saturday (8am-1pm). These works will occur in continuous blocks of no more than three hours each, with a minimum respite of not less than one hour between each block.
- With reduced customer numbers **at Central Station**, some construction activities on the Grand Northern Concourse may be undertaken out of hours over coming weekends. These works may require intermittent short term closures to areas of the Northern Concourse, the lift, escalators, stairs or entrance to the Suburban Tunnel from the Northern Concourse. Please follow directions of station staff during these times.

- To follow a specific sequence during rail possessions weekends, there will be high noise impact activities undertaken at nights on Platforms 16-17 and 18-19 **during the weekend of 1-2 August**, as well as on Platforms 22-23 **during the weekend of 22-23 August**.
- At times construction works 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 will include tower crane, crawler cranes, rig, excavators, vacuum trucks, elevated works platform, hirail equipment, concrete trucks, water cart, tipper trucks and construction vehicles, hand and power tools including jackhammers and concrete saws.

Site access

- Spoil removal, machinery, oversize deliveries and material deliveries are made via Sydney Yard Access Bridge (SYAB), Regent Street.
- Oversize deliveries arrive out of standard hours and require temporary lane closures, pilot vehicles and traffic control to enter SYAB. One traffic lane on Regent Street, residential parking and side streets will remain open during deliveries.
- Deliveries to the loading dock off Pitt Street, Ambulance Avenue and the Lee Street substation may occur each evening and overnight.
- Vehicles and deliveries will access site at 20-28 Chalmers Street via Randle Lane and at Railway Institute Driveway. At times during the month there will be delivery and removal of large equipment on Randle Street and Railway Institute Driveway. This may be outside of standard construction hours.
- Some vehicles, including high-rail vehicles, access the rail corridor via Chalmers, Elizabeth and Gibbons Street entrances.

Thank you for your patience while we undertake these necessary works.

Please register for email updates at sydnymetro.info for further information, or contact us on 1800 171 386 or via centralstationmetro@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Map of construction work zones



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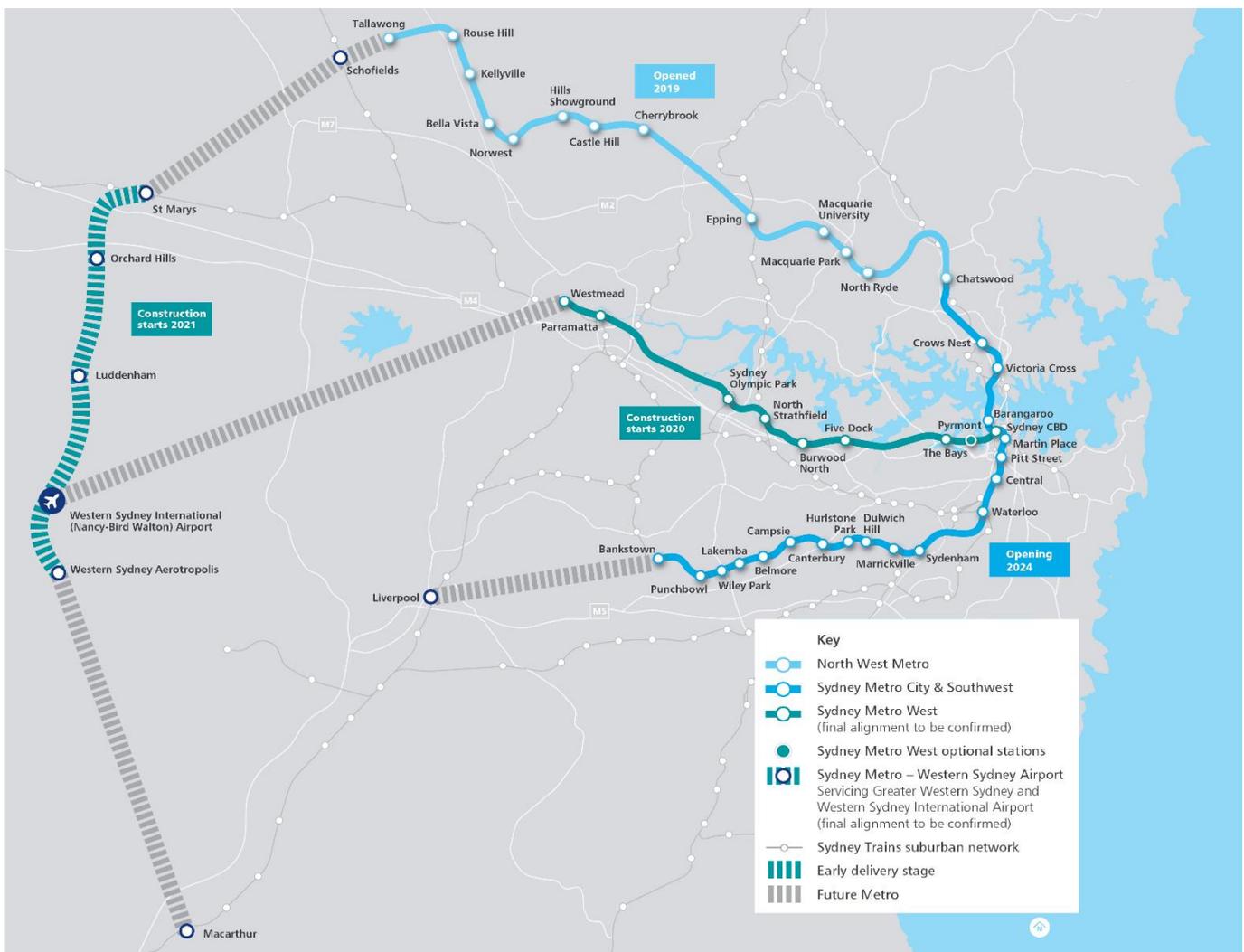
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In 2024, Sydney will have 31 metro railway stations and a 66 km standalone metro railway system – the biggest urban rail project in Australian history. There will be ultimate capacity for a metro train every two minutes in each direction under the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

For more information on Central Station Metro work and Sydney Metro in general, visit [Sydney metro.info](https://www.sydneymetro.info).

For the latest videos and photos, follow Sydney Metro on Facebook and/or Instagram, and witness the status of the construction activities.



Indicative travel time (from 2024 at Central Station): 4 minutes to Sydney Metro Martin Place Station, 9 minutes to Victoria Cross Station and 15 minutes to Chatswood Station.

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