

Project update – power supply upgrade

August and September 2021

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 underground at Martin Place, Pitt Street and Barangaroo and the new metro platforms at Central Station. 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.

Systems Connect (an unincorporated joint venture between CPB Contractors and UGL Limited) is delivering line-wide work including installing metro rail track, power systems and infrastructure to turn the excavated tunnels into a working railway between Chatswood and Sydenham. Line-wide work also includes the permanent systems, services and buildings required for Sydney Metro operations between Chatswood and Bankstown.

Power supply upgrade – Surry Hills to Central Station

Systems Connect is installing a new underground power cable from the Ausgrid substation at Surry Hills to Central Station. The power supply is required for the new metro train system. **The map over the page indicates the power cable route, expected work times and location of the site compound.**

In accordance with Public Health Orders, construction of the Surry Hills power supply upgrade was put on pause except for permitted safety, environment and security activities. From **Monday 16 August** we will resume work on the project in accordance with the current Public Health Orders. The team will be working to a strict COVID-safe workplace plan including the wearing of masks, separation of workforce, QR code log ins, hand sanitising stations, temperature checking, records of all people entering and leaving site and a COVID marshal to check for compliance and to support workers.

Location	Detail	Temporary traffic changes
<p>Randle Lane Elizabeth Street between Randle Lane and Foveaux Street</p> <p>Foveaux Street between Elizabeth Street and Belmore Street</p> <p>Belmore Street between Foveaux Street and Albion Way</p> <p>Albion Way between Belmore Street and Bellevue Street</p> <p>Bellevue Street between Albion Way and Albion Street</p> <p>Albion Street between Bellevue Street and Frog Hollow Reserve</p> <p>Frog Hollow Reserve Little Albion St</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work activities will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ potholing and utility locating to confirm the location of underground services ○ establishing temporary traffic changes, setting up safe work areas with barriers and fencing around the sites ○ cutting road pavement, excavating a trench and removing spoil, installing the power cable in the trench, boring under the road, backfilling the trench, and restoring the road surface ○ tree trimming, stump grinding and removal. • Equipment used will include a road saw, excavators, rollers, vacuum suction trucks, mobile cranes, stump grinder, elevated work platform, chainsaw, borer, concrete agitator, spoil trucks, plate compactor, crane, semi-trailer, trucks and various powered hand tools. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delays or changes to property access as work progresses past each property • Traffic detours will be in place in some locations • Some changes to pedestrian access • Temporary loss of street parking while the work is carried out.

Albion Street work

We have been carrying out shutdowns to reduce the amount of night work required. The dates of the upcoming planned shutdowns are as follows:

Thursday 26 August to Tuesday 31 August – Work on Albion Street near the Bellevue Street intersection.

Thursday 2 September to Tuesday 7 September – Contingency weekend for work on Albion Street near the Bellevue Street intersection.

Thursday 9 September to Tuesday 14 September – Contingency weekend for work on Albion Street near the Bellevue Street intersection.

The dates of individual shutdowns may change depending on weather and ground conditions. Residents will be notified accordingly.

Night Work

We will be working up to **four night shifts** on Elizabeth Street and Foveaux Street in order to carry out some repairs and finishing work. We will email residents and businesses with the dates of the work when we have more information, if you would like to be added to the stakeholder list, please email linewidework@transport.nsw.gov.au

Day work

On the week starting **Monday 16 August** we will return to Little Albion Street and Frog Hollow Reserve to complete the connection to the substation. Little Albion Street will be closed to traffic for about three weeks and there will be no parking on Little Albion Street for the duration of the work, in order to facilitate safe work sites. For more information please email the project team at linewidework@transport.nsw.gov.au. During the week of **Monday 16 August**, we will also return to Belmore Street and Albion Way to carry out some repair and finishing work for up to **three shifts**.

Project work hours

Standard working hours for the power supply upgrade are **Monday to Friday, 7am - 6pm** and **Saturday 8am - 1pm**. Out-of-hours work will need to occur at night and during weekend shutdowns for the safety of workers, motorists and pedestrians, depending on traffic conditions. Night time working hours are **6pm to 6am**. Shutdowns will start from **6am Thursday and be completed 6pm Tuesday**.

Keeping you informed

Sydney Metro is continuing to undertake work across its projects in accordance with current Government advice and is implementing physical distancing and travel and hygiene measures to protect employees and the community. As an alternative to face to face communications, we encourage you to provide a contact email or phone number so we can add you to our distribution list for updates on this work. To be included on the list or if you have any questions about the power cable work, please contact **1800 171 386** or email LinewideMetro@transport.nsw.gov.au

Work locations



 **1800 171 386** Community information line open 24 hours

 linewidemetro@transport.nsw.gov.au

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 If you need an interpreter, contact TIS National on **131 450** and ask them to call **1800 171 386**