

Project update – Blues Point tunnel access site

January 2022

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-kilometre standalone metro railway system. 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, which includes installing metro rail track, power systems and infrastructure to turn the excavated tunnels into a working railway between Chatswood and Sydenham.

The Blues Point site is an access point for Systems Connect to complete the tunnel fit out activities between Victoria Cross and Barangaroo Stations. Systems Connect has been working at Blues Point since December 2020.

Upcoming work at Blues Point

Following the demobilisation of the acoustic shed, Systems Connect is now working towards reinstating the reserve by March 2022.

During **January 2022**, Systems Connect will continue construction activities, as outlined below.

Project standard working hours are 7am to 6pm weekdays, Saturday from 8am to 6pm and Sunday from 9am to 5pm	
Location	Detail
Blues Point tunnel access site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of materials, and pumping material to backfill the access shaft will be completed • Survey work • Delivery and placement of general fill to restore the surface level of the worksite • Demolition of concrete pavements, retaining walls and other elements, including loading and removal from site by trucks. • Ongoing changes to traffic conditions and pedestrian movements on Henry Lawson Ave and Blues Point Rd.

Out-of-hours work (night)		
Due to the nature of some activities and for the safety of workers, some work will occur outside standard construction hours.		
Location	Date and time,	Detail
Blues Point tunnel access site	During January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of materials, plant and equipment • Oversize plant movements and deliveries.
	Ongoing from 6pm to 10pm, Monday to Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavy vehicle deliveries and unloading

What to expect:

- Equipment to be used will include, but is not limited to, cranes, regular and oversized trucks, excavators, rock hammers, concrete saws, concrete pumps, air compressors, jack hammers, forklifts, elevated work platforms, electric power tools and hand tools.
- Some of this work will be noisy. Every effort will be made to minimise noise impacts in line with the projects planning approval, such as the installation of sound mats around the site fencing and undertaking no more than 6½ hours of high impact noise activity per work day, in blocks of up to 3 hours. After each work block, a respite period from high impact noise activity of at least one hour will follow.
- Light and heavy vehicle movements from **7am to 10pm Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm on Saturday and 9am to 5pm on Sunday.**
- Relocation of the bus stop, 20 metres back towards to the ferry wharf on Henry Lawson Avenue and diversion of pedestrian footpath will continue to be in place.
- Access to properties will be maintained at all times.
- McMahons Point ferry wharf access will also be maintained.

Keeping you informed

Sydney Metro will continue to undertake work across its projects in accordance with current Government advice, and will continue to implement physical distancing and travel and hygiene measures to protect employees and members of the community. To keep up to date with what is happening in the Blues Point area, please register for email updates, which provide the latest information about our work, including out of hours activities. You can register for updates by sending your details to linewidemetro@transport.nsw.gov.au, or call us on **1800 171 386** and ask for **Bella Shamal**.

Thank you for your cooperation while we complete this work

Blues Point tunnel access site map



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