

Monthly update – Central Station

April - May 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 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.

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

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

- Constructing the station box, installing precast concrete panels, lifts, escalators, steel frames, and services, and loading in and out of equipment and materials (24/7*, see overleaf)
- Sydney Metro delivery partners continue their work in the metro tunnels with cable hauling, installation of communications systems and platform screen doors.

Above the station box (former Platforms 13-15 area)

- Constructing ventilation and services buildings
- Installing canopies and rebuilding Platforms 12, 13 & 14
- Early works for track reinstatement.

Central Walk

- Excavating within hoarded work zones on Platforms 16-23, excavating platform surfaces, retiling, painting, and installing services during rail shutdown weekends
- Delivering materials, assembling lifts, and installing finishes and new escalators under and within hoarded work zones on Platforms 16-23. (24/7*, see overleaf)

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

- Constructing the new building structure
- Installing services
- Delivering materials and equipment, and lifting items using the tower crane
- Installing conduits and shaft for future services installation in Randle Lane.

Upper and lower Northern Concourse

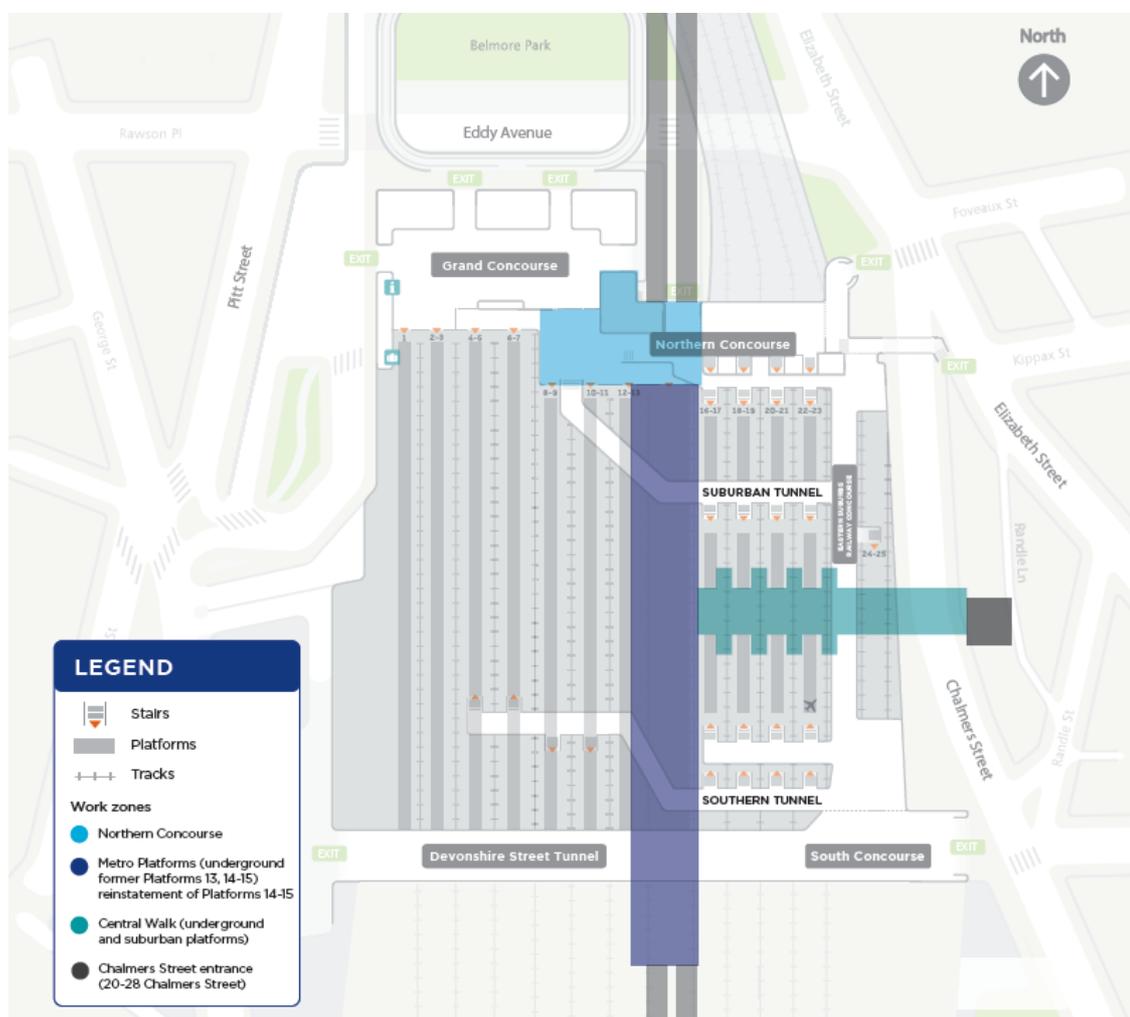
- Re-levelling floor slabs, concreting, installing fencing and balustrades
- Installing services, glazing, and finishing works on the new roof canopy
- Cleaning sandstone and brick buildings, and ongoing restoration works
- Wall and floor tiling and replacing ceiling panels throughout the upper and lower Northern Concourse.

Around the station

- Installing new services within the Eastern Suburbs Railway (ESR) Concourse and within the 'ghost platforms', which will include moving and delivering materials to and around station
- Installing new services cables in pedestrian tunnels, the upper and lower Northern Concourse, ESR Concourse and Southern Concourse
- Installing bulkheads and reinstating tiles in the Eddy Avenue forecourt
- Installing services within the rail corridor, near Lee Street substation, Darling Harbour Goods Line and Mortuary Station, and in the Railway Institute Driveway
- Demolishing, scaffolding and concreting works within, and at the entry to an existing services room on the western side of the Eddy Avenue forecourt
- Restoration works to the Central Electric Building station entrance on the Eddy Avenue forecourt
- Delivering materials, services investigations, services diversions and relocations, surveying, monitoring around the station and using pedestrian tunnels
- Modification to the Suburban Tunnel and Southern Tunnel diversion routes.

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.**

Map of construction work zones



Central Station - Upcoming weekend work in February and March

Late Friday 1 April to early Monday 4 April (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- On Platforms 18-19, tiling, painting, services installation, and cleaning balustrades. Some sections of these platforms will reopen with either permanent tiles or a temporary brushed top surface. Platform works will include noisy works such saw cutting and rock breaking.
- On Platforms 19-20, painting to the platform fascia
- On Track 16, drainage and civil works.

Late Friday 15 April to early Monday 18 April (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Services installation above Platforms 24-25
- Installing new tiles in the Eastern Suburbs Railway Concourse. A section of the concourse will be closed this weekend to facilitate the works. Please follow the directions of station staff and wayfinding signage for alternative routes.

Late Friday 22 April to early Monday 25 April (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Finishes to Platforms 12-14 and the canopies over these platforms
- Tiling sections of Platforms 9-12. There will be closures of the paid areas of the Northern Concourse during this weekend. Please follow the directions of station staff and wayfinding signage.
- Working behind the hoarding on Platforms 20-21

Late Friday 29 April to early Monday 2 May (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- On Platforms 22-23, platform releveling and tiling
- On Platforms 16-17, tiling, painting, services installation, and cleaning balustrades. Some sections of these platforms will reopen with either permanent tiles or a temporary brushed top surface. Platform works will include noisy works such as saw cutting and rock breaking.

Late Friday 6 May to early Monday 9 May (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- On Platforms 18-21, tiling, painting, services installation, and cleaning. Some sections of these platforms will reopen with either permanent tiles or a temporary brushed top surface. Platform works will include noisy works such as saw cutting and rock breaking.

Late Friday 13 May to early Monday 16 May (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Services work in the Lee Street substation.

Late Friday 27 May to early Monday 30 May (24 hours a day) the following work will occur:

- Finishes to Platforms 12-14 and the canopies over these platforms
- Tiling sections of Platforms 9-12. There will be closures of these platforms during this weekend. Please follow the directions of station staff and wayfinding signage.

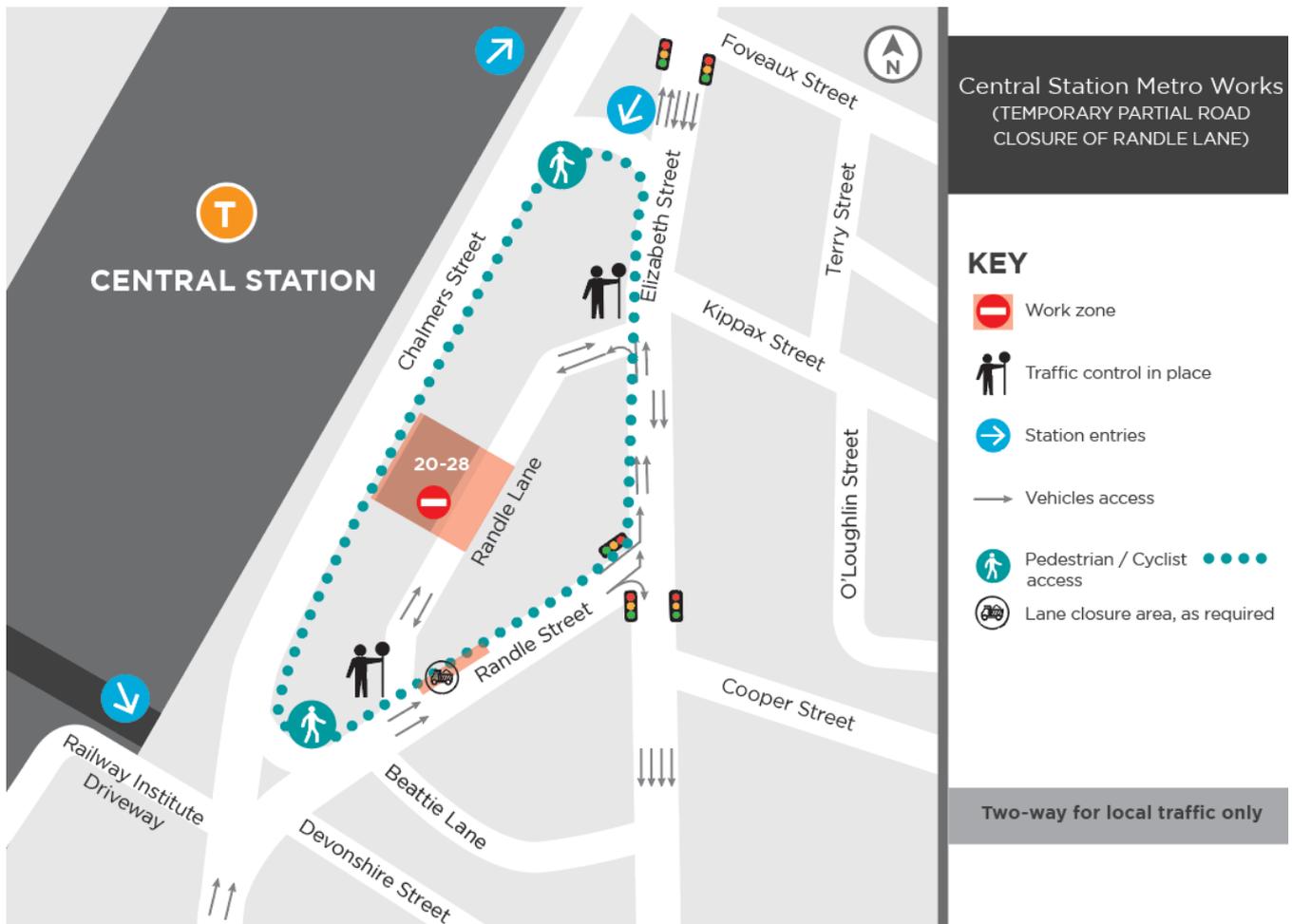
What to expect

- * Excavation and load-out of excavation materials at the Central Station Metro site occurs 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- Changes to the configuration of timber hoarding on the upper and lower Northern Concourse, as well as on Platforms 16-23. Please follow directions of station staff
- To follow a specific sequence during rail possession weekends, there will be **high-impact noise activities undertaken at nights on Platforms 16-23 during the weekends 2-3 April, 30 April to 1 May, 7-8 May, and 28-29 May 2022**
- 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
- Overnight deliveries on the Eddy Avenue station forecourt with short term overnight closures of the station entrance. Alternative access will be provided under the station colonnade (west side of Eddy Avenue station forecourt). Machinery will include crawler cranes, rig, excavators, vacuum trucks, elevated work 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, oversized deliveries, and material deliveries are made via Sydney Yard Access Bridge (SYAB), Regent Street
- Some vehicles, including high-rail vehicles, access the rail corridor via Chalmers, Elizabeth and Gibbons streets entrances. Oversize deliveries arrive out of standard hours at night-time 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.
- 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 ([see map below](#)). Deliveries to the loading dock off Pitt Street, Ambulance Avenue and the Lee Street substation may occur each evening and overnight.

Map of delivery and removal of oversized machinery in Surry Hills



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.

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