

Monthly update – North Strathfield

27 June 2022

Sydney Metro is Australia's biggest public transport project.

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro West – a new underground metro railway which will double rail capacity between Parramatta and the Sydney CBD, with a target travel time of about 20 minutes between the two centres.

Sydney Metro was granted planning approval to construct twin underground rail tunnels between Westmead and The Bays for Sydney Metro West in March 2021. Acciona Ferrovia Joint Venture (AFJV) has been awarded the contract to deliver 11 kilometres of twin metro rail tunnels between The Bays and Sydney Olympic Park and excavate five new metro stations, including a station at North Strathfield.

Transport for Tomorrow (T4T) has been awarded the contract to relocate the current overhead high voltage cables to a new underground route within the rail corridor and along Queen Street.

Site preparation and establishment work

The tunnelling contractor, AFJV will continue site preparation and establishment work within and around the North Strathfield metro station site during July to prepare for the start of major construction. Activities include installation of monitoring equipment, installation of site offices, ground levelling and utility investigation work. Unless otherwise stated below, these activities will be carried out during standard construction hours:

- **Monday to Friday 7am – 6pm and Saturday 8am – 6pm**

Some work must be undertaken outside standard construction hours to minimise impacts on traffic and to ensure the safety of motorists, pedestrians and workers.

AFJV work includes:

- Installation of instrumentation and monitoring equipment
- Installation of new site offices and equipment including utility connections within the construction site (majority of this work will occur between **7am and 6pm on Saturday 23 July and Sunday 24 July 2022**)
- Ground levelling and piling platform excavation including the use of vibratory rollers
- Road signage installation
- Removal of two additional trees within the construction site
- Specialist containment and removal of any asbestos or other hazardous materials found onsite, which is being completed following strict SafeWork NSW procedures
- Utilities work on Queen Street, which will be carried out at night between 8pm and 5am on **Monday, Wednesday and Thursday** nights from **Monday 4 July to Monday 1 August 2022** (weather and site conditions permitting).

T4T work includes:

- Utility investigation work and construction of stair footing and walkway within the rail corridor
- Installation of cable containment within the rail corridor between Cooper Street and the corner of Gracemere and Queen streets, involving trenching and installation of posts and steel troughing and buried cable routes
- Upgrade to electrical infrastructure, including cabling and testing.

Out-of-hours work will occur in July to allow for safe installation of a new electrical pole on Queen Street. Vehicle access will be restricted on Queen Street, between Gracemere Street and Pomeroy Street, between **10pm Friday 22 July and 6am Saturday 23 July 2022**. Local access will be maintained.

Equipment used:

Equipment will include: trucks, light vehicles, excavators, graders, watercarts, concrete saws, bobcats, jack hammers, vacuum trucks, vibratory rollers, elevated work platforms, concrete pumps and hand tools.

Changes to traffic, pedestrian and cyclist routes:

This work will involve partial road and footpath closures on Queen Street as well as short-term, staged parking removal while work occurs. Two-way traffic will be maintained around the work site on Queen Street but there may be minor traffic delays. Property and driveway access will be maintained at all times.

North Strathfield metro station site work areas



Contact us:

Please contact Michael from T4T or Liz from the AFJV community team on 1800 612 173 or by email if you have any questions, complaints or would like to provide feedback about the work, including appropriate respite periods. We will continue to keep you updated on the progress of work in your area. If you would prefer to receive updates by email, please send a request to metrotunnelsAFJV@transport.nsw.gov.au and we will add you to the distribution list.

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