

## Monthly update – Hunter Street (Sydney CBD)

3 April 2023

### 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 has been granted planning approval to construct twin underground rail tunnels between Westmead and Hunter Street in the Sydney CBD for Sydney Metro West. John Holland CPB Contractors Ghella Joint Venture (JCG) has been awarded the contract to deliver 3.5 kilometres of twin metro rail tunnels between The Bays and Hunter Street and excavate the Pyrmont and Hunter Street metro stations.

There will be two work areas on Hunter Street in the CBD. Hunter Street East, located at the corner of Bligh Street and O'Connell Street and Hunter Street West, located on the corner of Hunter Street and George Street.

### Activities during April 2023

Tunnelling at the Hunter Street East site will start from **Thursday 13 April 2023** and begin with the excavation of the temporary decline access tunnel using a roadheader tunnelling machine.

Service identification, geotechnical investigation, survey work and site preparation will continue in the CBD throughout April.

A program of work for each week will be shared in our Hunter Street weekly email update.

#### Work during April 2023 includes:

- Geotechnical investigations and service identification on Hunter Street, Phillip Street and The Domain
- Start of tunnelling including drilling ventilation shafts and excavation of the temporary decline access tunnel
- Building investigations at Hunter Street East and West
- Low impact site surveys and installation of instrumentation and monitoring equipment
- Tree trimming and removal at Hunter Street East and West in preparation for hoarding and driveway construction
- Construction of new driveways to construction sites at Hunter Street East and West
- Installation of hoarding and site signage at Hunter Street East and West
- Delivery of materials, plant and equipment to the Hunter Street East acoustic shed
- Removal of excavated material in trucks from the existing acoustic shed driveways on O'Connell Street
- Some buildings at Hunter Street East and West will be used as site offices.

Work will be undertaken during standard construction hours, **Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm and 8am to 6pm Saturday**. Please see map over the page with the locations of our work.

#### Work outside of standard construction hours will include:

Out of hours work will continue in the CBD between **6pm and 7am** Monday to Friday. Noisy above ground activities cannot be undertaken for more than two consecutive nights and no more than three nights per week.

Out of hours work will include service investigation, utility relocations, driveway construction works, installation of instrumentation and monitoring equipment, trimming and removal of trees and oversize deliveries. This work must be undertaken outside standard construction hours to minimise impacts on traffic and to ensure the safety of motorists, pedestrians and workers.

## Tunnelling work hours

Underground tunnelling work will be undertaken 24 hours per day, seven days a week starting from **Thursday 13 April 2023** and will continue until mid-2025.

## Site locations and work areas



Please see map over the page for location of tunnelling in the CBD.

## Equipment used

Equipment used for tunnelling works includes but is not limited to; roadheaders, rockbolt rigs, shotcrete rigs, excavators with rock breaker, concrete trucks, trucks, cranes, light vehicles and traffic control vehicles.

Equipment used for other works include but is not limited to; drill rigs, excavators with rock hammer, saw cutters, specialised ground penetrating equipment, vacuum trucks, elevated work platforms, hand tools including jack hammers and road saws, temporary fencing, chain saws, lighting towers, excavators, trucks, light vehicles, traffic control equipment and generators.

## Contact us

Please contact Shay from the JCG community team on 1800 612 173 if you have any questions 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 [MetroTunnelsJCGJV@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:MetroTunnelsJCGJV@transport.nsw.gov.au) and we will add you to the distribution list.

Sydney Metro has launched Sydney Metro Connect – a new way to stay informed. You can download Sydney Metro Connect on the App Store or get it on Google Play.

Thank you for your understanding while we complete this essential work.

 **1800 612 173** Community information line open 24 hours

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 If you need an interpreter, contact TIS National on **131 450** and ask them to call **1800 612 173**

## Location of tunnelling

