

Monthly update

Hunter Street (Sydney CBD)

August 2023



Sydney Metro acknowledges the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pay respects to Elders past and present.

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.

Below ground work

Excavation of the underground Hunter Street Station cavern continue in August, along with the excavation of the temporary decline access tunnels.

In August, the roadheader tunnelling machine will be excavating along the southern end of the Hunter Street Station cavern, heading in a westerly direction.



An image of the S300 roadheader inside the Hunter Street decline access tunnel

Above ground work

Demolition work at both Hunter Street sites is progressing well and will continue throughout August.

Installation of hoarding is underway at both sites over the footpaths. Physical changes will continue in August, with scaffolding to be installed around the full height of the buildings and the remaining awnings to be removed.

Early works, including utility and geotechnical investigations, and survey monitoring will also continue across the CBD.

What work are we doing in August

- Excavation of the Hunter Street Station cavern and decline tunnel using a roadheader or rock hammer
- Geotechnical investigations, including borehole drilling
- Utilities investigations, relocations, and disconnections
- Installation of building, instrumentation and monitoring equipment and low impact site surveys
- Delivery and removal of materials, plant and equipment to Hunter Street East and West
- Temporary storing of plant and equipment along site perimeters
- Temporary road, lane, and footpath closures to accommodate works at both sites and along tunnel alignment
- Structural demolition and site enabling works using an excavator with hammer, as well as soft stripping and removal of material from both sites.
- Removing awnings and installation of hoarding, scaffolding, and site signage.



When and where we'll be working

We'll be working at our Hunter Street East and West sites, and across the CBD.

Standard working hours are between **7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm, Saturday.**

Out of hours work

Some work is required outside standard construction hours to minimise impacts on traffic and to ensure the safety of pedestrians, motorists and workers. Out of hours work will continue in the CBD between **6pm and 7am Monday to Saturday.**

These activities are scheduled to happen earlier in the night and will be completed by 12am.

Out of hours work will include:

- Installation of building, instrumentation and monitoring equipment and low impact site surveys
- Utility identification and relocations, and geotechnical investigations, including borehole drilling to accommodate works
- Removing awnings and installation of hoarding, scaffolding, and site signage.
- Delivery and removal of materials, plant and equipment to Hunter Street East and West

Further information regarding these activities will be included in our weekly email updates.

Due to project approvals, above ground noisy activities cannot be undertaken for more than two consecutive nights, and no more than three nights, per week.

What will this mean for you

While we complete these works, you may notice some changes across the Sydney CBD

These will include:

- Construction workers and traffic controllers along Hunter Street and across the CBD
- Temporary road, lane, and footpath closures
- Storing of plant and equipment along site perimeters
- Street-level changes at Hunter Street East and West
- Above ground noisy activities

Managing our impacts

We aim to manage our work to avoid impacts to the community and the environment. Both our Hunter Street sites are designed to minimise impact.

This includes:

- Site hoarding and fencing for safety and security
- Site planning and layout to reduce impacts
- Using quieter and less noise and vibration emitting construction methods where feasible and reasonable
- Using non-tonal reversing alarms such as quackers.
- Dust suppression measures such as water mister attachments, water cannons, wheel washing and scaffold mesh.
- Adhering to regular respite breaks during high-noise activities
- Ensure employees and contractors are made aware of potentially impacted properties.

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 investigations and building demolition include but is not limited to drill rigs, concrete trucks, excavators with rock hammer, saw cutters, specialised ground penetrating equipment, vacuum trucks, elevated work platforms, hand tools including jack hammers, roadsaws and rattle guns temporary fencing, lighting towers, excavators, trucks, light vehicles, traffic control equipment and generators.

Community Agreement to install hoarding

JCG has received community agreement to temporarily extend daytime weekend working hours through the community agreement provisions in the Project's Environmental Protection Licence (EPL).

The agreement is to undertake work during extended daytime hours on Saturday and Sundays to install hoarding at both of Hunter Street sites and reduce the overall work program.

By extending daytime working hours on Saturday and Sunday in the CBD, when foot traffic is lower, we're able to reduce the number of out of hours shifts required.



Above ground work locations



Below ground work locations



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