



# **Out-of-hours notification – Pacific Highway intersection upgrades**

September 2023

### 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 in 2024, with new metro railway stations at Crows Nest, Victoria Cross, Barangaroo, Martin Place, Pitt Street and Waterloo, and new metro platforms at Central, and then onto Bankstown in 2025.

A W Edwards is building the new Crows Nest Station. Rail track installation and the stations main structural works are now complete and fit out and exterior works are progressing.

### Upcoming out-of-hours work

Work to upgrade the two existing Pacific Highway intersections at Oxley and Hume streets is expected to commence on **Sunday 24 September 2023.** 

These upgrades will include adjustments to underground traffic signal connections, improvements to the Oxley Street pedestrian crossing, installation of new safety fencing along Pacific Highway median strip, line marking and signage installation.

Due to the work locations being on a highway, construction activities will be carried out at night when there is approval to occupy the roadway, to minimise traffic disruption, and reduce safety risks to workers and road users.

Work will be limited to two consecutive nights at each intersection, and a maximum of four nights per week, weather permitting.

Work areas are 150 metres apart, so nearby properties are not expected to be impacted by high noise activities for more than two consecutive nights.

Work is anticipated to take up to three months to complete, with the noisiest activities, involving cutting and digging of the road occurring in the first eight weeks. Additional work nights may be required if the activities cannot be completed. A further notification will be provided should this occur.

#### Noise

Some of these works will be noisy and will involve the use of excavator/s with hammer attachment, concrete saw, and handheld rattle guns. The noisiest part of this work is expected to be carried out within the first eight weeks and will include:

• hammering to remove road surface.

Other less-noisy activities will follow and include:

- installation of electrical conduits, cables and poles
- backfilling and compaction of trenches, including concreting, installing paver blocks and road surfacing.

A vacuum truck, street sweepers and tipper trucks may be required throughout the work to deliver materials and remove dirt and debris.

### Work hours

This work will be carried out between **6pm and 5am** the following morning, which is in line with the approval to occupy these sections of the highway. **All high noise works are expected to be completed by 12am**.

#### Have your say

A W Edwards will make every effort to minimise the impact for residents by carrying out noisier work before midnight, turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use and directing lights away from properties where possible.

Prior to construction starting, A W Edwards is interested in any feedback you may have based on your experience of night work to date, such as general construction related issues, communication, notification of works, and experience with our workforce. This feedback will be provided to the construction team to minimise impacts to the community, where feasible.

Please email your feedback to crowsnestmetrostation@transport.nsw.gov.au or scan and respond to the adjacent QR code by 5pm Friday 15 September.

#### Additional mitigations measures

A W Edwards has worked to minimise impacts to the community by:

- requesting earlier Road Occupancy Licences (ROLs) so we can get on the road earlier, reducing the overall duration of the work from six to three months
- limiting work to two nights a week at each intersection to minimise noise impacts to nearby residents
- undertaking construction work not subject to ROLs during the day
- instructing workers to keep noise, vibration, and light spill to a minimum
- briefing nearby properties prior to works taking place so that residents and businesses know what to expect.

All other possible noise minimisation measures will be used to further reduce impacts including surrounding the work areas with noise blankets, using noise reducers on construction equipment where possible, and monitoring the work to ensure work is being carried out within approved noise levels.

Further information on how we manage noise and vibration impacts during our work can be found in the recent Noise and Vibration fact sheet available on our website online at https://www.sydneymetro.info/documents

### Traffic and access changes

Vehicle access will be maintained on all streets via traffic control and signage; however, lane capacity will be reduced.

Parking spaces will be removed along Pacific Highway and Oxley Street to facilitate traffic movements around the work areas and speed will be reduced to 40km/hr on Oxley and Hume streets and Pacific Highway. Local access to driveways and entrances will be maintained for businesses and residents.

There will be no impact to bus stops and traffic control will be in place to assist pedestrians, commuters, and motorists through these changes.

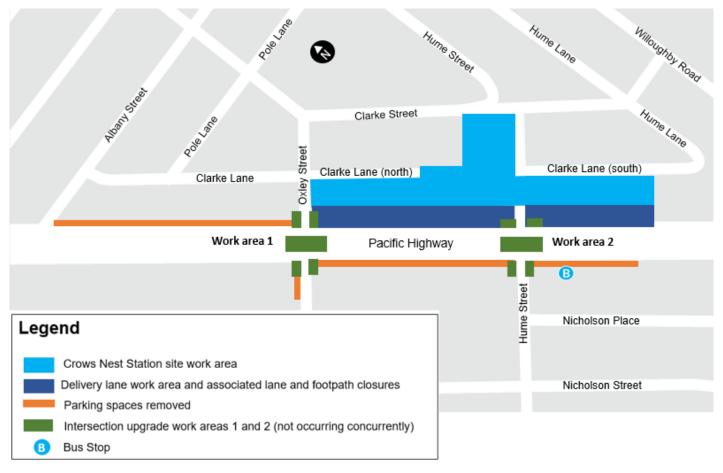
Please follow the direction of signage and traffic control and allow extra time for your journey.

#### Upcoming work on Pacific Highway

After Pacific Highway intersection upgrade works are completed, A W Edwards will return to Pacific Highway to install streetlights between Oxley Street and Hume Street. A separate notification will be sent to inform residents and businesses prior to work starting.



### Map illustrating work area and access changes



## Calendar illustrating planned work nights in September

**Please note:** the community will be advised as to which intersections we will be working at each week via the weekly email updates. In the event work cannot be carried out on planned work nights, they will occur on the next possible planned/contingency work night. We will send you an email update should this occur. If you haven't already done so, please provide A W Edwards with your email address so you can stay updated.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Work at intersection 1 OR 2 (not both)
25 Work at intersection 1 OR 2 (not both)	26	27 Work at intersection 1 OR 2 (not both)	28 Work at intersection 1 OR 2 (not both)	29	30	

Planned work nights

Contingency work nights

No intersection work on these nights

# **Crows Nest Station Community Grant Program**

The Sydney Metro Crows Nest Station project team has established a community grant program which offers funding to eligible organisations of up to \$5000 to support the delivery of community-initiated projects, events or activities close to the station works.

**Scan the QR code** for further information about this initiative, including who is eligible and how to apply.

Applications open: 9am Monday 2 October 2023

Applications close: 5pm Tuesday 31 October 2023



Thank you for your cooperation and understanding while A W Edwards completes this essential work.

If you have any questions about Crows Nest Station, please call 1800 171 386 (24-hour community information line) and ask for the **Crows Nest Station team** or email <u>crowsnestmetrostation@transport.nsw.gov.au</u>



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