Project update – Northern Connection and **Chatswood Dive Site**

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

Systems Connect (an unincorporated joint venture between CPB Contractors and UGL Limited) is delivering line-wide work including installing metro rail track, power systems and infrastructure to turn the excavated tunnels into a working railway between Chatswood and Sydenham. Line-wide work also includes the permanent systems, services and buildings required for Sydney Metro operations between Chatswood and Bankstown.

What work are we doing?

Standard project work hours are Monday to Friday, 7am to 6pm and Saturday, 8am to 6pm.

Location	Work during standard hours	
Chatswood Dive Site	 Material and concrete deliveries Movement of materials and equipment in and out of the tunnels, including the use of mobile cranes Services installation inside the dive buildings and the tunnels Maintenance, clean up and demobilisation activities including demolition of temporary structures and concrete slabs, saw cutting and concrete breaking Earthworks, geotechnical survey, environmental investigation and remediation work, civil and concreting work Perimeter fencing installation, drainage and landscaping work 	
Frank Channon Walk extension	 Minor finishing works on Nelson Street and along the Frank Channon Walk shared path extension 	

work

between Nelson Street and Mowbray Road

Out-of-hours work (night) work hours - due to the nature of some activities and for the safety of community and workers, some work will occur outside standard construction hours

Location Out-of-hours work

Chatswood Dive Site - 24/7 activities

- Delivery of machinery and movement of materials on the surface and in the tunnels
- Light vehicle and workers accessing the site and the tunnels
- Mechanical, survey and civil works, concreting and formworks
- Maintenance, testing and commissioning activities of mechanical and electrical services, including power, communications and signalling equipment and systems, ventilation systems and dynamic train testing at the dive site and in the tunnels
- Cable and services installation, interior building work inside dive site buildings
- Monitoring activities inside and outside of the rail corridor
- Site demobilisation activities
- Services building work including, environmental investigation work, remediation, fit out, excavation and drilling, structural steel installation and concrete slab work
- Structural steel and communication cables installation, underground mechanical, trackwork and civil works and tunnel ventilation system work







Northern Connection rail corridor – 24/7 activities	•	Maintenance, testing and commissioning of mechanical and electrical services, including power, communications and signalling equipment and services, ventilation systems and dynamic train testing at the dive site and through the tunnels Train movements in the rail corridor
Northern Connection (pending confirmation)	•	Rectification and maintenance work, drainage and cable work, fencing and signal installation Further details of work will be provided via our email updates; highly impacted properties will be notified separately
Mowbray Road (pending confirmation)	•	Telstra network installation work, including conduit installation, cable pulling and cable connection, involving excavation of the section of the footpath Details of the work including work dates will be provided via our email updates



What to expect

- Some of this work may be noisy. Every effort will be made to reduce the noise and disruption. Respite hours will be implemented in line with the project's approvals. Highly impacted residents will be notified separately.
- Equipment used will include, but not be limited to, excavators (including rock hammering equipment), concrete trucks and pumps, concrete vibrators, mobile cranes, elevated work platforms, loaders, rail tampers, hammer drills, rail grinders, hi-rail vehicles, generators, lighting towers, milling machines, pavers, water carts, light and heavy vehicles, tippers, dump and delivery trucks, hand-held and electric tools, demolition and road saws, jack hammers, power drills, vacuum trucks, asphalt pavers, welding equipment, rail and circular saws and compaction equipment, including a roller.
- The project team will take every step possible to minimise noise impacts. A range of measures are in place to meet
 the project's approval conditions and reduce noise, including noise barriers, using only the necessary equipment for
 each task, turning off equipment when not in use and equipping machinery with non-tonal movement alarms.
- Some equipment may be transported outside of standard construction hours in line with Transport for NSW requirements for transporting oversized vehicles.
- Delivery trucks will exit the Chatswood Dive site via Mowbray Road on to Pacific Highway.
- Access to the rail corridor, deliveries and spoil removal will be via our Mowbray Road compound, Drake Street or Chatswood Station.
- Access to buildings and driveways will be maintained. Where temporary footpath or lane closures are required, signage and traffic control will be in place to assist pedestrians and motorists. We will liaise directly with impacted residents.
- Temporary fencing, barricades and access gates will be installed to provide a safe and secure site.

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

To keep up to date with what is happening in the Chatswood and Artarmon area we encourage you to register for email updates, which provide the latest information about our work, including out-of-hours activities. If you have not already done so, please register for these updates by sending your name, address, email and phone number to linewidemetro@transport.nsw.gov.au, or call us on 1800 171 386.

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