

Notification – Hunter Street road closure and out of hours work

17 February 2026

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro West – a new underground metro railway which will double rail capacity between Parramatta and the Sydney CBD, transforming Sydney for generations to come.

Stations have been confirmed at Westmead, Parramatta, Sydney Olympic Park, North Strathfield, Burwood North, Five Dock, The Bays, Pyrmont and Hunter Street in the Sydney CBD.

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 CBD and excavate the Pyrmont and Hunter Street metro stations.

Out of hours work

Tunnel boring machine (TBM) Ruby arrived at Hunter Street in December 2025. Our next step is to dismantle the machine into transportable components underground at Hunter Street Station and remove them via the Hunter Street East shaft. This work will occur **24 hours per day, seven days per week**, and will be ongoing over the coming months.

Out-of-hours work is required due to the size of the components being removed from site, to minimise impacts on traffic and ensure the safety of pedestrians, motorists and workers.

Temporary road closure of Hunter Street

A full road closure of **Hunter Street between Bligh Street and O'Connell Street** will be required **between 7pm on Tuesday 24 February and 5am on Wednesday 25 February 2026**, while we remove oversized tunnelling equipment components from the Hunter Street East site. During this time, westbound traffic will be detoured via Castlereagh Street and eastbound traffic via Pitt Street. Please see map overpage for further information.

The footpath adjacent to the Hunter Street East site boundary on Hunter Street will be closed, however the southern footpath on Hunter Street will remain open during this work.

Parking will be removed from Bligh Street between Bent Street and Hunter Street to accommodate a temporary bus layover zone.

Please follow the direction of signage and traffic control.

If wet weather or site conditions impact the work a **contingency date has been planned for 7pm on Thursday 26 February to 5am on Friday 27 February 2026**.

Updates will be provided in our weekly Hunter Street email updates. You can subscribe to these updates by emailing: MetroTunnelsJCGJV@transport.nsw.gov.au.

What work are we doing?

- Removing oversized tunnelling equipment, plant and materials
- Using a tower crane, support cranes and other equipment
- Installing traffic and pedestrian controls ahead of temporary traffic detours and footpath changes.

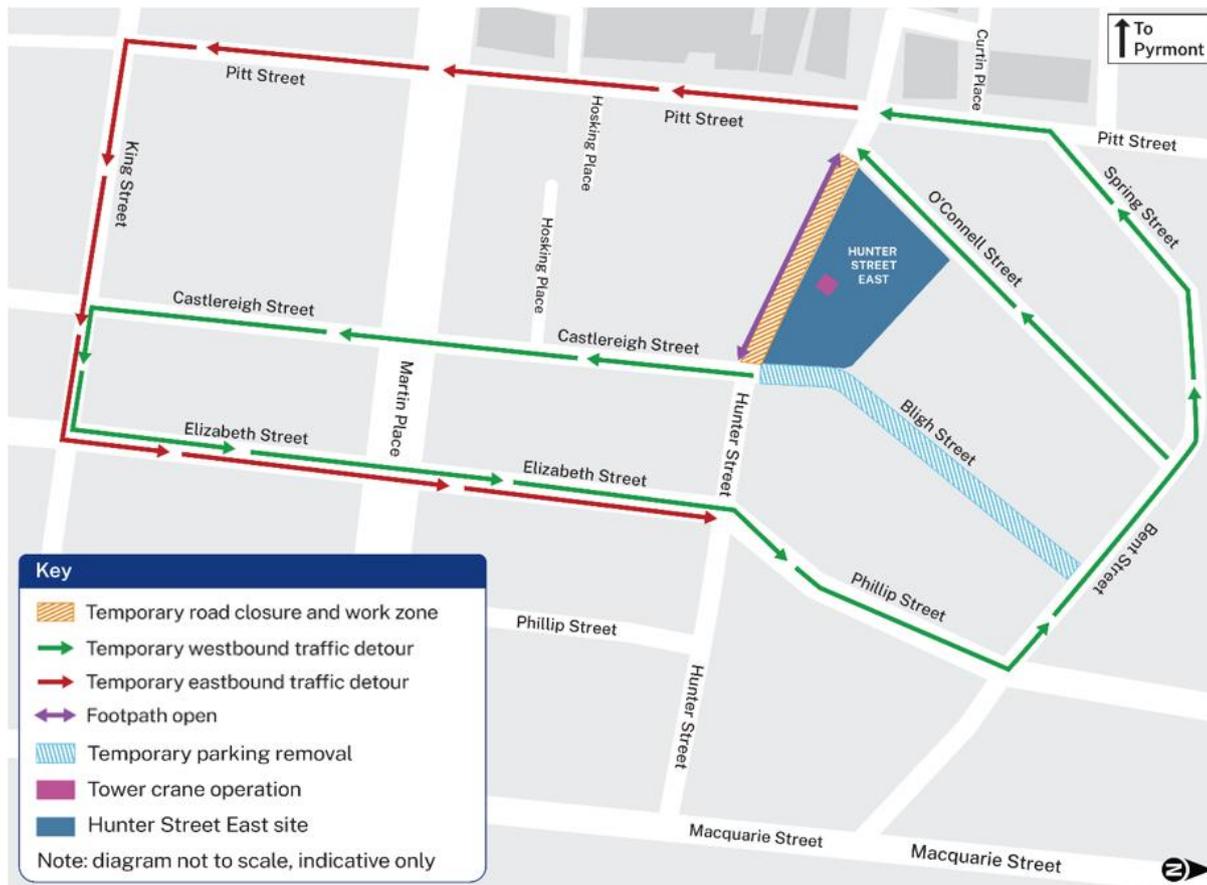
What will this mean for you?

- Small crews occupying areas of the road or footpath, traffic management and heavy vehicle movements
- Presence of police and escort vehicles to help facilitate oversized vehicle movements
- Periods of increased noise during tunnelling equipment removal, deliveries and operation of equipment
- Traffic and pedestrian detours and temporary parking removal.

Equipment used

Equipment used for oversized tunnelling equipment removal work will include, but is not limited to, a tower crane, support cranes, telehandlers, elevated work platforms, hand tools, light vehicles, heavy vehicles including, trucks with trailers, self-propelled modular transporters, traffic control equipment and lighting.

Temporary changes



Contact us

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