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Newcastle Light Rail

Construction update

MAY 2017 COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Newcastle Light Rail is 2.7 kilometres of light rail track from Newcastle Interchange to Pacific Park. Light rail is a major part of the Revitalising Newcastle program, which aims to help reconnect the city to the waterfront, generate new jobs, create more public space and deliver better public transport solutions for Newcastle. There are six light rail stops in total, starting at Newcastle Interchange, Honeysuckle (near Hunter Street TAFE), Civic, Crown Street, Market Street and Pacific Park.

Light rail will help cut city centre congestion and provide a frequent, reliable and comfortable travel option through a revitalised city centre. Newcastle Light Rail services are expected to be running in 2019.

Site and service investigations

Site, service and building investigations will continue along the light rail route throughout May in Newcastle, Newcastle East and Newcastle West.

Work includes survey of utilities, roads, pavement and building levels, and locating underground services to help inform the design.

Some pipe and sewer services may also be cleaned to assist with the investigations. Work may also involve the digging of test pits and narrow trenches along the road network, and drilling bore holes into the road and footpath surfaces. These will be backfilled as work is completed.

Equipment to be used includes drilling rigs, an excavator, vacuum truck, compactor, concrete saw, trucks, light vehicles, lighting towers, and hand tools.

Pedestrian and traffic controls, including advanced warning signs, will be used to alert motorists to the work and to ensure the work is completed safely. Motorists can expect some short delays.

Temporary lane closures will be in place at Stewart Avenue, Beresford Street and along Hunter and Scott Streets, between Worth Place and Telford Street. **One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction at all times.**

Work hours

Work will take place during standard construction hours from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and from 8am to 1pm Saturday.

To minimise impacts on traffic and pedestrians, some work may be carried out outside standard construction hours, from 6pm to 7am Sunday to Friday. No work will be completed on Friday and Saturday nights. Residents and businesses impacted by night work will be provided more information before work occurs.

What you may notice

It is not unusual to find contaminated material in the urban environment. Transport for NSW has strict measures in place to protect the health and wellbeing of workers and the public at all times. Personal protective equipment (PPE), including the use of protective suits and respiratory masks, may be required, as well as air monitoring, signage, fencing and other measures as directed by our independent occupational hygienist.

Work may be noisy at times. We will carry out the work in stages and at different locations to ensure noise impacts are kept to a minimum.

We recognise noisy work is inconvenient for the community. We apologise for the disruption and assure you we are committed to minimising noise from our work wherever we can.

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