

Light Rail Stage 1

Weekly construction update

2 February 2017

Construction works are in full swing for 2017 for stage 1 of the light rail project. With a big year ahead, here's the latest on what's happening along the Gungahlin to the City corridor.

Gungahlin to Mitchell (Zones 1, 2 & 3)

At the top of the corridor, Gungahlin residents will see crews relocating a gas main throughout the week. Crews will work to prepare and construct gutters and kerbs on the southern side of Kate Crace Street and the relocation of utilities will continue down to Sapling Street with crews conducting underboring and trenching works for the relocation of communication facilities.

Mitchell to Dickson (Zones 3 & 4)

On Monday night, Flemington Road was closed between Federal Highway and Sandford Street in Mitchell to enable utility relocation works across Flemington Road to proceed. This will continue intermittently until Thursday 16 February. Other works in the area include removing median islands and building new pavements. It is important for all residents to note that temporary road closures and detours will be in place during night works between 8pm and 6am for these activities and will be reopened in time for the daily commute.



Underboring machine.

Work will also continue on the Mitchell Depot with crews working to build a home for our light rail vehicles. This week, crews are continuing works to install underground stormwater drainage. Other works residents will see occurring throughout the area include underboring works at Lysaght Street, across Flemington Road as well as general potholing work from Sandford to Randwick.

Dickson to the City (Zones 5 & 6)

The relocation of utilities continues along the length of Northbourne Avenue this week. Canberrans will see crews busy installing shared services trench pits for Icon and communication services throughout the week. Concrete barriers were also set up earlier in the week at Macarthur and Wakefield Avenue intersection for work on protection of utility services that will continue until mid-February.

Tree removal will continue throughout the median of Northbourne Avenue between Antill and Alinga Streets. This is to allow crews to get in and start work around future light rail stations, future mid-block crossings and to provide clear sight lines for safety within and around the construction zone. Once the trees have been felled, they will be stored off-site, assessed and potentially reused in a variety of ways, including in wetlands, re-snagging in local rivers and in community landscaping projects, such as playgrounds.

General information

Public transport users should be mindful of diversions in place outside EPIC during the Flemington Road

night works. The EPIC Park and Ride entry and exit onto Flemington Road will also be unavailable after 8 pm on these nights. A temporary bus stop is located on Old Well Station Road during this time (subject to normal bus timetable).

There may be some minor traffic delays along Northbourne Avenue at times, with crews stopping traffic just before the felling of a tree to ensure pedestrians, road users and workers stay safe, with traffic allowed to pass once the all-clear is given.

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