Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for December 2023 and January 2024

The ACT Government is building light rail to Woden to help make Canberra a more connected, sustainable, and vibrant city. This construction look ahead provides a summary of expected activity in the work zones for the month ahead.



Main works on **Raising** London Circuit

Activities in December and January

- Fill placement and earthworks, including heavy vehicle movements will continue.
- Relocation of stormwater pipes/structures, and relocation and removal of services.
- Ongoing site preparation such as decommissioning streetlights, footpath, pavement, and kerb removal.



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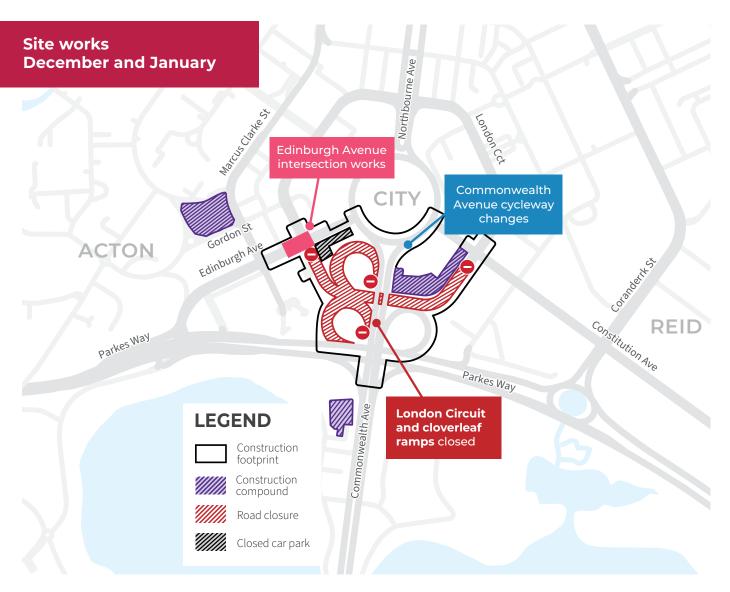
Travel impacts will be published at **Travel impacts - Built for CBR.**

Holiday shutdown

The Raising London Circuit construction site will shut down from **22 December 2023 until 8 January 2024**. You may see some movement around the site with security in place throughout the holiday period to ensure public safety. Work will restart on **8 January 2024**.



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Overall project works in December and January

Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit intersection

Work to modify the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit is required as part of the London Circuit closure.

Edinburgh Avenue is currently reduced to one lane westbound between London Circuit and Marcus Clarke Street. There will be traffic changes, long-term footpath closures, works areas and barriers in place. Parking bays on the northern side of Edinburgh Avenue (adjacent to the Metropolitan Building) have also been removed. During December, pavement and footpaths will be reinstated and landscaping will begin in this area.

There will always be one lane in and out open to ensure local access, including access to the QT Hotel. Pedestrian access around the area will also always be maintained. Where traffic changes are required, traffic and pedestrian detours may be implemented.

Cycleway changes on Commonwealth Avenue

From January, there will be some minor changes to the cycleway travelling southbound on Commonwealth Avenue. At Vernon Circle, the cycle lane will be moved closer to traffic lanes, slightly further from the work area. This is to allow nearby drainage work to safely proceed. Cyclists will be separated from motorists by a delineation kerb and signage will be in place.

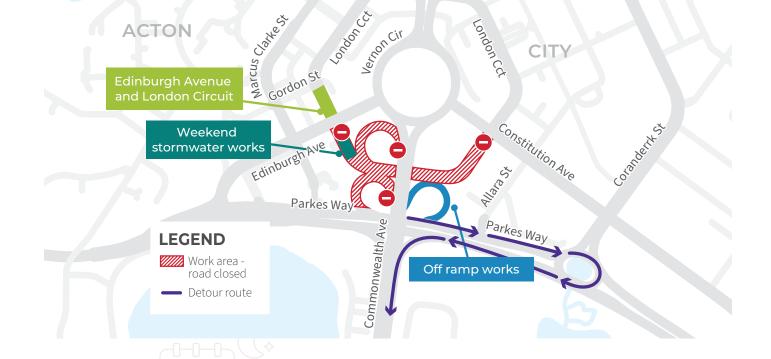
A new site entrance is in place off Commonwealth Avenue southbound that will be used by trucks. Please take additional care when cycling along Commonwealth Avenue. Always follow traffic controller instructions near the entrance.

The cycle path along Commonwealth Avenue southbound is only for cyclists heading south. Cyclists heading north towards the city and other active travellers must use the shared path along Commonwealth Avenue northbound.

Other works -Commonwealth Avenue to Woden

Utilities investigations and survey work are underway from Commonwealth Avenue to Woden including in and around the National Triangle. This work is being carried out by Veris and will continue until January 2024 pending weather conditions. You may notice workers in high-vis clothing during this time.

Tree assessment work has also commenced and will continue until the end of March. It includes activities such as taking measurements and photographs. The purpose of this work is to assess the size, status, position and health of trees along and around the light rail to Woden alignment, including heritage and ecological status.



Weekend day

Fill placement and earthworks will be carried out from **7am to 6pm on Saturdays throughout December and January**. Work will be undertaken within the closure area, but you may notice an increase in trucks entering and exiting the site.

During December and January, stormwater works will be undertaken within the London Circuit closure area on weekends, from **6am to 6pm each Saturday and Sunday**. This work will include installation of stormwater pipes, pits and culverts.

Utility works

Night work may be required around the site to undertake utility relocations and cutovers. This includes at the intersections of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit and Constitution Avenue and London Circuit. This work will be carried out by the asset owner and may include some noisy activities. Properties will be notified directly where services will be impacted. While work is undertaken there will be lane closures and traffic control in place around the intersection, but local access will be maintained.

Parkes Way east off ramp

To undertake stormwater work, streetlight installation and line marking, the Parkes Way east off ramp to Commonwealth Avenue will be closed from **6pm Friday 15 December to 8am Monday 18 December.** Works will be undertaken throughout the weekend, including overnight. While the off ramp is closed, detours will be in place via the Coranderrk Street roundabout.

Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit

To undertake stormwater pipe installation and removal of redundant services, a road closure will be required on London Circuit, between Edinburgh Avenue and Gordon Street. The southbound lanes will be closed from **6pm Friday 19 January until 8am Monday 22 January**.

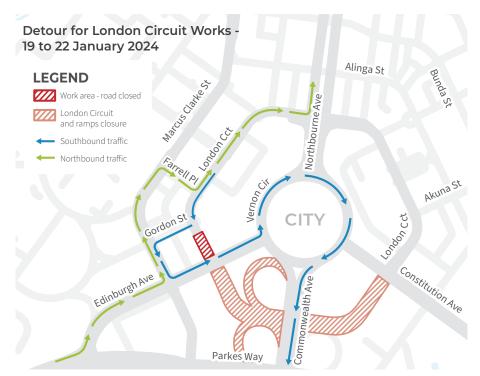
Works will be undertaken throughout the weekend, including overnight. The existing pavement will be removed, trenches to install pipes excavated, and installations carried out. Once this is complete the area will be reinstated.

While the intersection is closed, detours will be in place via Gordon Street/ Farrell Place and Marcus Clarke Street. Local access will be maintained for residents and the QT Hotel. If work is unable to be completed over this weekend, work will be carried out the following weekend.

Other works

There will be one night of maintenance work each week carried out on the Commonwealth Avenue side track. The side track will remain open, but there will be lane closures and traffic control in place during this work. Details will be added to the website when these dates are known.

If other night or weekend work is required before the end of January, construction notifications with more information will be published at **act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden**.





Side track before and after.



Bridge demolition before and after.

Milestones of 2023

- Commonwealth Avenue northbound side track completed and operating.
- Commonwealth Avenue southbound bridge closed and demolished.
- Approximately 30,000 cubic metres of fill imported to site.
- Significant service relocation and new assets installed, including commissioning a valve chamber on London Circuit and building stormwater infrastructure.

Look ahead for 2024



and placement will continue until London Circuit is level with



Completion of final Commonwealth Avenue alignment, including removal of existing northbound bridge.



Parkes Way east off ramp works.



Completion of utility work and intersection changes at Edinburgh Avenue.



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