

Light Rail Stage 2A City to Commonwealth Park

Business Fact Sheet

Stage 2 Light Rail to Woden is being constructed in two stages for a faster project delivery. The first stage (2A) will extend the line from the City to Commonwealth Park, while the second stage (2B) will take light rail all the way to Woden.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared for Stage 2A as part of the project's planning and works approval process. This fact sheet outlines the benefits, impacts and assistance to businesses in the area.



Artist impression of the new Commonwealth Park light rail stop.

Benefits of Light Rail Stage 2A for businesses



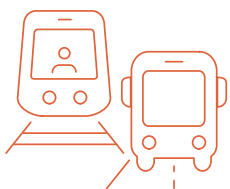
Extending the light rail network to Commonwealth Park will benefit city businesses around London Circuit and New Acton by bringing commuters, customers, and clients direct to their doorstep



Additional indirect jobs may also be created through the supply chain and employee's expenditure on goods and services occurring within the local communities



An expected increase in construction related job opportunities within the Canberra Region



The project will improve access to the city and surrounds and provide an opportunity to combine light rail travel with other travel modes when accessing activity centres, business services and social facilities



The enhanced landscape design, ongoing place activation, and placement of the light rail alignment will cement this area as Canberra's cultural and business hub



Potential impacts to businesses during construction

The construction work required to enable and deliver Light Rail Stage 2A will be centred around a business cluster home to Government departments, legal services, education facilities, hospitality venues, retail, and wellbeing services.

There is potential for some impacts on businesses during construction including temporary loss of parking and changes to bus routes, detours and road closures. Elderly, disabled or less mobile people may avoid travel to the CBD and there is

potential for a decline in accessibility for customers and clients due to temporary loss of parking, visibility impacts and changes to pedestrian and motorist access.

Managing and minimising impacts to businesses

The ACT Government will assist businesses during construction with regular communications and initiatives to help manage the impacts. Some mitigation measures include:



Advanced notification of road closures and detours will be distributed to businesses



Temporary visibility signage will be provided if construction works obstruct views to the business



Businesses will be kept engaged and informed throughout the project through a relationship manager, letterbox drops, meetings, doorknocks, and emails



During construction, wayfinding signage and collateral will be provided to assist with getting around and finding parking



Construction will be carried out in blocks and sometimes outside of standard construction hours to minimise disruption to businesses



A **business partnership plan** will continue the existing foundational plan to create a strong and long-lasting partnership between the project and local businesses



Early works and construction notifications will be distributed to businesses

Have your say

As part of the planning approval process for the Light Rail Stage 2A project, a Works Approval has been submitted to the National Capital Authority (NCA) and a Development Application has been submitted to the ACT Planning and Land Authority (ACTPLA).

To have your say on the project, you can make a submission to the NCA or ACTPLA.

Visit act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden to learn more about the project and how to have your say.

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