LIGHT RAIL TO WODEN PROJECT NEED







Canberra is growing rapidly. By 2030 our city is predicted to be home to around 500,000 people*.

By building light rail to Woden, we are delivering the next stage of Canberra's integrated public transport network. This will give people more transport options, help reduce traffic gridlock and support Canberra's transition to a zero emissions future.

*ACT Infrastructure Plan, 2019

WHY LIGHT RAIL?

The light rail network is being built to meet our city's future transport needs. As more people call Canberra home, the expansion of the light rail network will help reduce traffic congestion on our roads and contribute to planned and thoughtful urban development.

Stage 2 of light rail to Woden will connect with Stage 1 to create a public transport spine connecting Canberra's north and south. This will underpin our modern and integrated public transport network that connects major residential areas, employment zones, social centres and cultural hubs across Canberra.

Travelling via light rail is easy and convenient, with services every five

minutes during peak hour and regular services every 15 minutes throughout the day. Light rail vehicles have inclusive spaces for passengers with mobility needs and bicycles, plus free Wi-Fi to ensure passengers stay connected across their whole journey.

The light rail network is a core component in creating one of Australia's most sustainable cities and reducing congestion.

Each light rail vehicle can transport as many passengers as four buses and operates on dedicated track which eliminates congestion-related delays.





HOW DOES LIGHT RAIL INTEGRATE WITH OTHER TYPES OF TRANSPORT?

Light rail provides an opportunity to link our buses, park and ride facilities, cycling networks and pedestrian paths to the activity centres that feed the light rail network. Keen cyclists can combine light rail travel with their daily commute and pedestrians will have greater access to community areas via new footpaths. Each light rail vehicle has the capacity for up to four bikes to travel safely inside and stops are located on pedestrian lines to provide access to major attractions.

CREATING MORE VIBRANT AND CONNECTED CITY SPACES

The light rail network will play a vital role in ensuring Canberra's future as a vibrant, sustainable and liveable city.

The project will improve access to public transport for existing and new residential and commercial activity in the city centre, Acton Waterfront and the area around City Hill.

In doing so, light rail to Woden will support creating enticing spaces in our city, town centres and along the entire route.

An increase in the number of businesses and residential properties along the alignment will support economic growth. The project is catering for the needs of our growing city in line with the Planning Strategy vision for 70 per cent of new housing delivered within the existing urban footprint.



HOW DOES LIGHT RAIL TO WODEN ALIGN WITH **ACT GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PRIORITIES?**

Canberra Light Rail is an essential pillar in the achievement of key priorities for the ACT Government. These include



ACT PLANNING STRATEGY 2018

The ACT Planning Strategy 2018 provides a plan to achieve a compact and efficient city, with 70 per cent of new urban development delivered as infill. Canberra's light rail will act as a key piece of infrastructure to guide urban intensification and create a high-quality public environment.



ACT CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY 2019-2025

The ACT Climate Change Strategy 2019-2025 outlines a pathway to net zero emissions by 2045. Canberra's light rail, which runs on 100 per cent renewable energy, will make a significant impact toward reaching this goal by increasing public transport use across the city and taking more cars off the road.



ACT TRANSPORT STRATEGY 2020

The ACT Transport Strategy 2020 identifies three priority areas to guide development of transport in the Territory – manage congestion, reduce emissions and support a compact and efficient city. Light rail will integrate with other transport modes along the alignment to encourage public transport over driving.

CONTACTING US

Are you getting the right information you need, in a suitable format? Please contact us at any time with suggestions for how we can better communicate appropriate and timely project updates.

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