

Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly look-ahead for March 2022



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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.



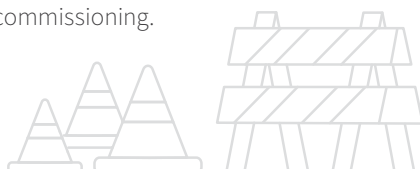
Construction update – Early works on Raising London Circuit Project

Utility relocations are being delivered in four stages and involve moving watermains and communications utilities from their current position along the southern portion of London Circuit, to a new alignment via Constitution Avenue, Vernon Circle and Edinburgh Avenue.

Cord Civil has completed the relocation of communications conduits and watermains to their new location, which means most civil works are nearing completion as part of stage three.

In March the work will focus on the reinstatement of pavements, verge landscaping and the commencement of communications and water asset testing to ensure the connections are working.

With civil works near completion, during March it is expected that watermain connections will be undertaken by ICON Water, connecting the new assets to existing infrastructure. Communications providers will also commence cable hauling activities in preparation for asset cutovers and commissioning.



What is commissioning in construction?

For early works the commissioning involves testing and inspecting the utility assets (watermains and communications conduits) that have been relocated and ensuring that these are in working order and operational for the next phase.

Why are utilities being relocated?

Various utilities are being relocated before the raising of London Circuit so that when construction starts, these assets are in the correct position, minimising delays and disruptions to the community.

PLEASE NOTE: While service providers are undertaking connections, they will issue a notification to customers if there are any scheduled impacts to existing services.



Commonwealth Avenue – temporary lane reductions reduced contraflow

Commonwealth Avenue northbound and southbound will be reduced to a single lane in both directions around Vernon Circle for a period of time in March to allow for the completion of permanent reinstatement works. This work will be undertaken weekends or throughout **off-peak times on weekdays**, where traffic flows are reduced on the road to minimise impacts. There will be traffic control, signage, cyclist and pedestrian management in place.

Visit act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden to stay up to date on when this work will be occurring.

Works between Edinburgh Avenue and Farrell Place

Trenching and telecommunications works continue this month in the verge along London Circuit from Farrell Place to Edinburgh Avenue. Minor telecommunications remediation works to existing assets will also be undertaken. Work will include a road crossing on Edinburgh Avenue near the intersection with London Circuit involving excavation, conduit installation and reinstatement of road pavement.

Works are planned to take place throughout March during normal working hours, with a staged program to avoid a full closure where practical.

Works on Edinburgh Avenue along Marcus Clarke Street

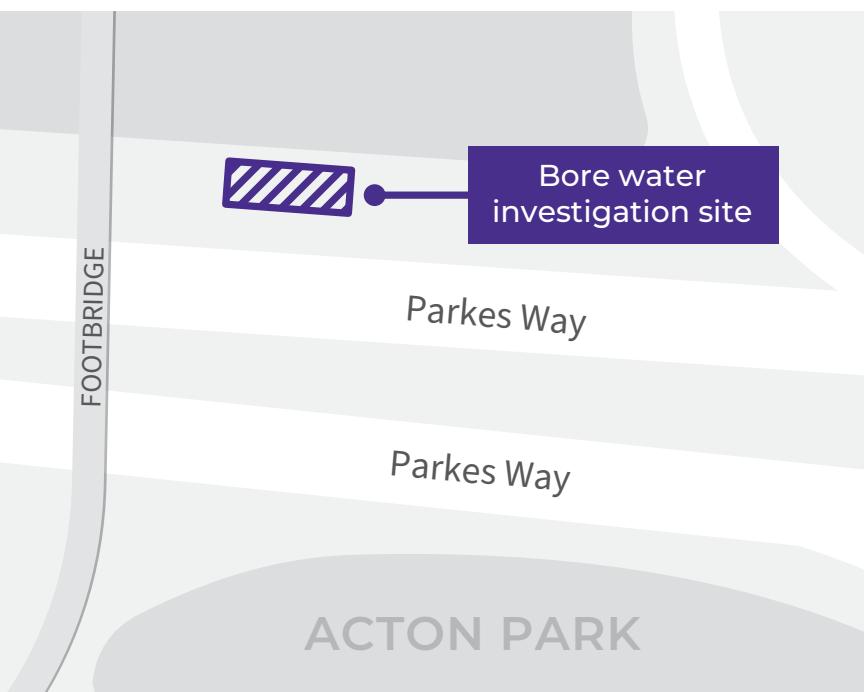
Conduit installation is underway in the verge on Edinburgh Avenue, along Marcus Clarke Street to Parkes Way. Directional drilling will be used where possible to minimise disruption and disturbance of the area. This work will continue in regular working hours throughout March.



Early works at the Parkes Way/Coranderrk Street intersection

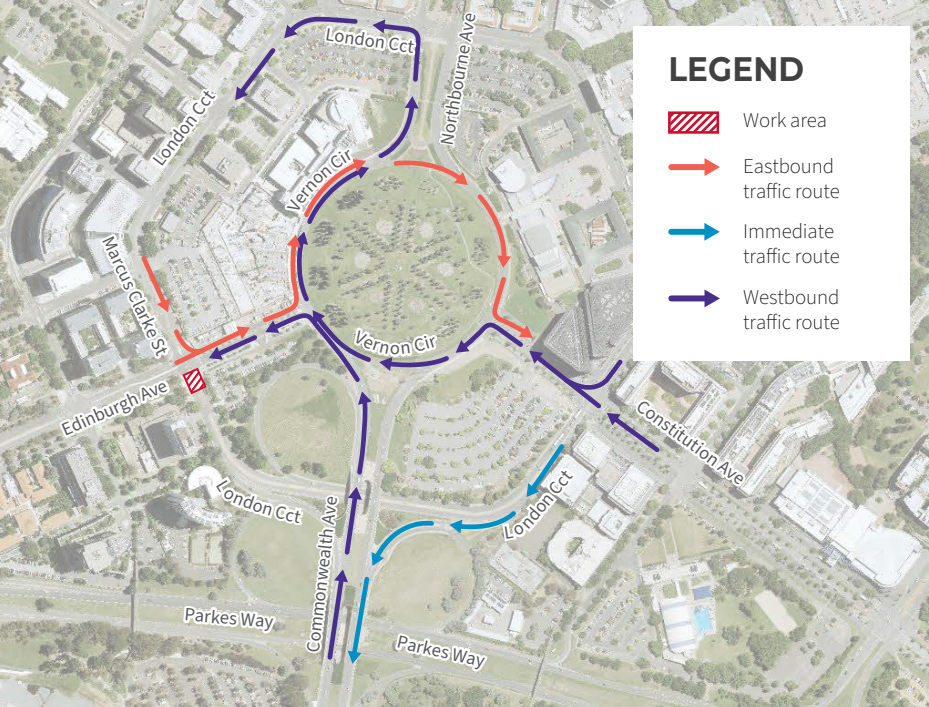
Geotechnical investigations to support the upgrades at Parkes Way/Coranderrk Street will take place on **Saturday 12 March 2022** (weather permitting). The inside right-turn lane from Parkes Way into Coranderrk Street will be closed from **6:00am to 6:00pm**. Access to make a righthand turn will still be available from the through/right-turn lane.

In the event of inclement weather or unexpected delays, these works may continue as needed in off-peak hours until the end of March.






Bore water investigations

Investigations for establishing bore water for use in irrigation are required to be undertaken in March. Investigations will occur at the northern verge of the eastbound carriageway of Parkes Way, just to the east of Parkes Way pedestrian footbridge into Acton. The investigations will confirm the underground conditions and if this location will produce suitable water yield to be utilised for irrigating the landscaping on the project, specifically Commonwealth Avenue. Whilst this work is undertaken there will be temporary traffic management and pedestrian management in place. Further information on timing will be available at act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden



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-  Work area
-  Eastbound traffic route
-  Immediate traffic route
-  Westbound traffic route

London Circuit Northbound – full lane closure

In early March, Cord Civil will be undertaking connections to existing communication conduits. This will result in London Circuit Northbound near the Edinburgh Avenue intersection being closed to traffic. Detours will be in place and London Circuit Southbound will remain unaffected.

This work is subject to weather conditions. Visit act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden to stay up to date on changed traffic conditions and exact work dates. The detour map on the left shows the extent of the closure.

Investigation works for light rail

Utilities potholing investigations and surveying for light rail will be undertaken in March. These investigations will involve minor excavation works, survey pickup and surface reinstatement and will take place at the intersection of Alinga Street and Northbourne Avenue and along London Circuit from Northbourne Avenue to Commonwealth Avenue and Parkes Way along Commonwealth Avenue. You will be able to see traffic control and pedestrian management in place.



Working Hours

Monday to Friday – 6:30am to 6:00pm

Saturday – 7:00am to 3:00pm

While every effort is made to inform you of upcoming construction activities, the project is experiencing impacts due to challenges such as weather and COVID-19. Dates and scheduling may change. Visit act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden to stay up to date. Thank you for your patience during this time.

Golden Sun Moth Translocation



Soon we will be undertaking Golden Sun Moth translocation activities in the city area. This involves moving sun moth larvae to a new location, to support moth population numbers and growth in the city area.

To undertake the translocation works safely, there will be some speed reductions on Commonwealth Avenue and Vernon Circle. Exact dates for this upcoming work will be published at act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden/construction



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