# Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for November 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 on Raising London Circuit – an enabling project for light rail to Woden.



### Early works on raising London Circuit finishing soon

Early utility relocation works on raising London Circuit are nearing completion.

Telecommunications providers continue to undertake connections with new and existing infrastructure. Whilst these works are occurring there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place to ensure safety.

Works to reinstate the area following telecommunications trenching and conduit installation is ongoing and expected to be finalised in early December.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Service providers undertaking connections will issue a notification to customers if there are any scheduled impacts to existing services.



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# Commencement of main works on **Raising London Circuit**

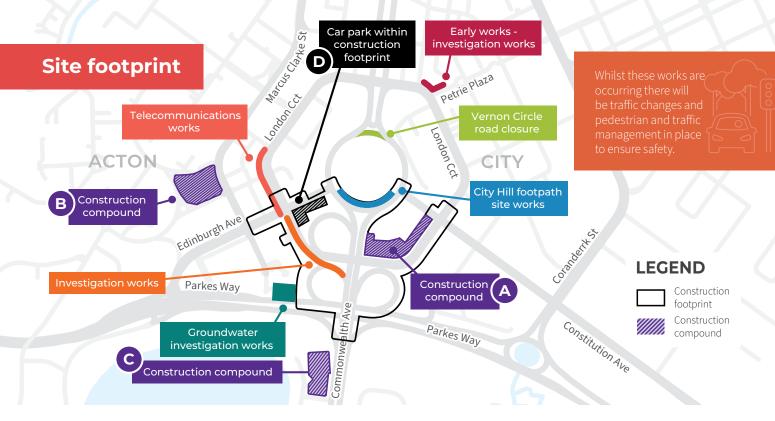
Around 60,000 cubic metres of fill will be used to raise London Circuit by six metres to form an atgrade intersection with Commonwealth Avenue. Two of the existing cloverleaf ramps will be removed, with access routes via Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue channelling traffic to the City's west and east. This important road project will close the gap between the city and lake delivering more accessible footpaths, dedicated cycle lanes and more vibrant and useable public spaces. In October we established two compounds, set up site offices and facilities for workers, commenced works for Vernon Circle signalisation and City Hill footpath, and began service investigations. In November we will continue to install the new traffic lights at Vernon Circle, extend City Hill footpath and prepare for the temporary closure of London Circuit between Edinburgh and Constitution Avenues.

# Main works - work hours

Our standard construction work hours are Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm and on Saturdays between 7am and 1pm.

At times, to ensure safety and minimise impacts on the community, works will take place outside of standard hours and at night.

While we make every effort to inform you of upcoming construction activities, works are weather dependant and subject to change. We will provide more information including exact dates and times of night and out-of-hours work in future construction updates. These will also be published online at act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden/construction.



# Overall project works in November

#### Early works -Groundwater investigations

Groundwater investigations to determine if there is suitable water yield for irrigating the project's landscaping features will continue in November, weather permitting. This work is expected to take place on Parkes Way between Commonwealth Avenue and Edinburgh during this time.

#### Early works investigation works

Potholing investigation works will be undertaken in Petrie Plaza between Thursday 3 November and Friday 11 November, weather permitting. Pedestrian access will be maintained with localised work sites in place.

#### Early works telecommunications work

Work will continue to connect new and existing infrastructure as well as reinstate the area following telecommunications trenching and conduit installation. This work is expected to be finalised in December.

#### **Investigation works**

Potholing and survey investigation works will be undertaken from Thursday 3 November to Saturday 12 November, weather permitting along London Circuit in front of the Australian Medical Council and QT Hotel to investigate ground and underground conditions. These investigations involve minor excavation works, survey pickup and surface reinstatement. This will involve a closure of the slip lane off the southwestern cloverleaf to London Circuit during standard work hours.

# Traffic light installation at Vernon Circle

To prepare for the future temporary closure of London Circuit and manage traffic flow, traffic lights will be installed on the northern section of Vernon Circle and road and line marking work will be carried out to add a bus lane in the Vernon Circle north slip lane. Works commenced in October with the closure of the Vernon Circle north slip lane. These new traffic lights are to be turned on and operating before London Circuit is closed. Throughout November we will be undertaking works including widening of the pavements, footpath, kerb and pram ramps, landscaping, the final installation of signals, cable pulling, installing permanent signage, asphalting and line marking.

Some of this work will be required to take place at night and will involve southbound and northbound road closures expected in November.

#### Status of site compounds

The Raising London Circuit project is using space within three city car parks for site compounds:



B ACT Government surface car park at 41 Marcus Clarke Street

C ACT Government Acton Waterfront surface car park A fourth car park will be needed for construction activities to raise London Circuit:

ACT Government surface carpark at the corner of London Circuit and Edinburgh Avenue

Compounds A and B have been set up and are now in use, while Compound C will be established later in the year. The Edinburgh Avenue car park (location D in the map above) will be closed, with set up taking place after the temporary closure of London Circuit. Signage will be put up around the car park prior to spaces being removed. For an overview of all parking changes and alternative parking locations, please visit **builtforcbr.act.gov.au/ travel-impacts** 

#### **City Hill footpath**

To minimise impacts on pedestrians during the works, the existing footpath on City Hill will be extended, linking the footpath between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue. In November, we will be continuing this work with the installation of road signs, new pavement line marking and landscaping and reopening the footpath.

During off peak periods and at night, intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures may be required. To safely carry out this work, safety barriers will be in place to protect work crews and motorists.

# Night work

Utility installation, including trenching and reinstatement of footpaths at Vernon Circle will take place over five

nights from Monday 14 November 2022 to Friday 18 November 2022. In the event of poor weather work may be delayed to the following week. This work will involve staged temporary closures of both northbound and southbound lanes, and detours and traffic control will be in place.

Asphalt reinstatement, traffic signal commissioning, installation of car sensors and line marking is planned to be carried out at night around the Vernon Circle north slip lane from Monday 21 November 2022 until Friday 25 November 2022 (see map). This work should take five nights to complete. In the event of poor weather work may be delayed to the following week. This work will involve staged temporary closures of both northbound and southbound lanes, and detours and traffic control will be in place.

Night work will also be required to install car sensors at the corner of Edinburgh Avenue and Vernon Circle to improve traffic flow around this intersection. This work will involve saw cutting to install the sensors and line marking and should be carried over two nights between Monday 21 November 2022 and Friday 25 November 2022. In the event of poor weather work may be delayed. This work will require a partial closure of the intersection and detours will be in place.

Constructing the footpath and pram ramps and installing traffic and street light poles at City Hill footpath will be completed over five nights, between Monday 28 November 2022 and Friday 2 December 2022. If poor weather prevents this work from going ahead, if will be completed the following week.

Other night works may need to take place in November. We will publish notifications on **act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden** to let you know when these works will take place.

# Northbourne Ave Night work at Vernon Circle North LondonCct LenonCir CITY Edinburgh Ave City Hill footpath extension work area Constitution Ave Night work for installation of car sensors Parkes Way Commonwealth Ave Parkes Way LEGEND Work area - road closed

## Weekend work

On Saturday 12 November, Sunday 13 November, Saturday 19 November and Sunday 20 November there will be weekend work at Vernon Circle, reinstating work areas. To ensure safety, while these works are taking place there will be lane closures in place. There will also be work taking place on the City Hill footpath.

## What to expect

While we make every effort to minimise construction disruption and impacts to the community, at times within the construction footprint area you can expect to experience higher levels of noise and dust, traffic, pedestrian and cyclist changes involving detours and an increase in construction vehicle movements. Some additional night or weekend works may also need to be performed at short notice. Throughout construction we will continue to notify of upcoming work and we will monitor our activities and make adjustments to our controls where needed.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we carry out this important work. Any questions or issues can be raised by emailing **lightrailtowoden@act.gov.au** or by calling **1800 956 409**.



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