

# Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for February 2023



## BUILT FOR CBR

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.



## Main works on Raising London Circuit

London Circuit will remain closed **between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue** for the duration of the project. In February, we will continue service investigations and site establishment activities started in January. This includes decommissioning streetlights and relocating stormwater and wastewater mains and additional work to identify existing locations of these services.

Around 60,000 cubic metres of fill will be used to raise London Circuit by six metres to form an at-grade 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 project will close the gap between the city and lake delivering more accessible footpaths, dedicated cycle lanes and more vibrant and useable public spaces.

## Main 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 at night.

We will provide more information including exact dates and times of night work in future construction updates that will be published online at [act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden/construction](https://act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden/construction).

While we make every effort to inform the community of upcoming construction activities, works are weather dependant and subject to change. Visit [act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden](https://act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden) to stay up to date.

## What to expect

While we make every effort to minimise construction disruption and impacts to the community, at times within the construction footprint area shown on page 2 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. 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.

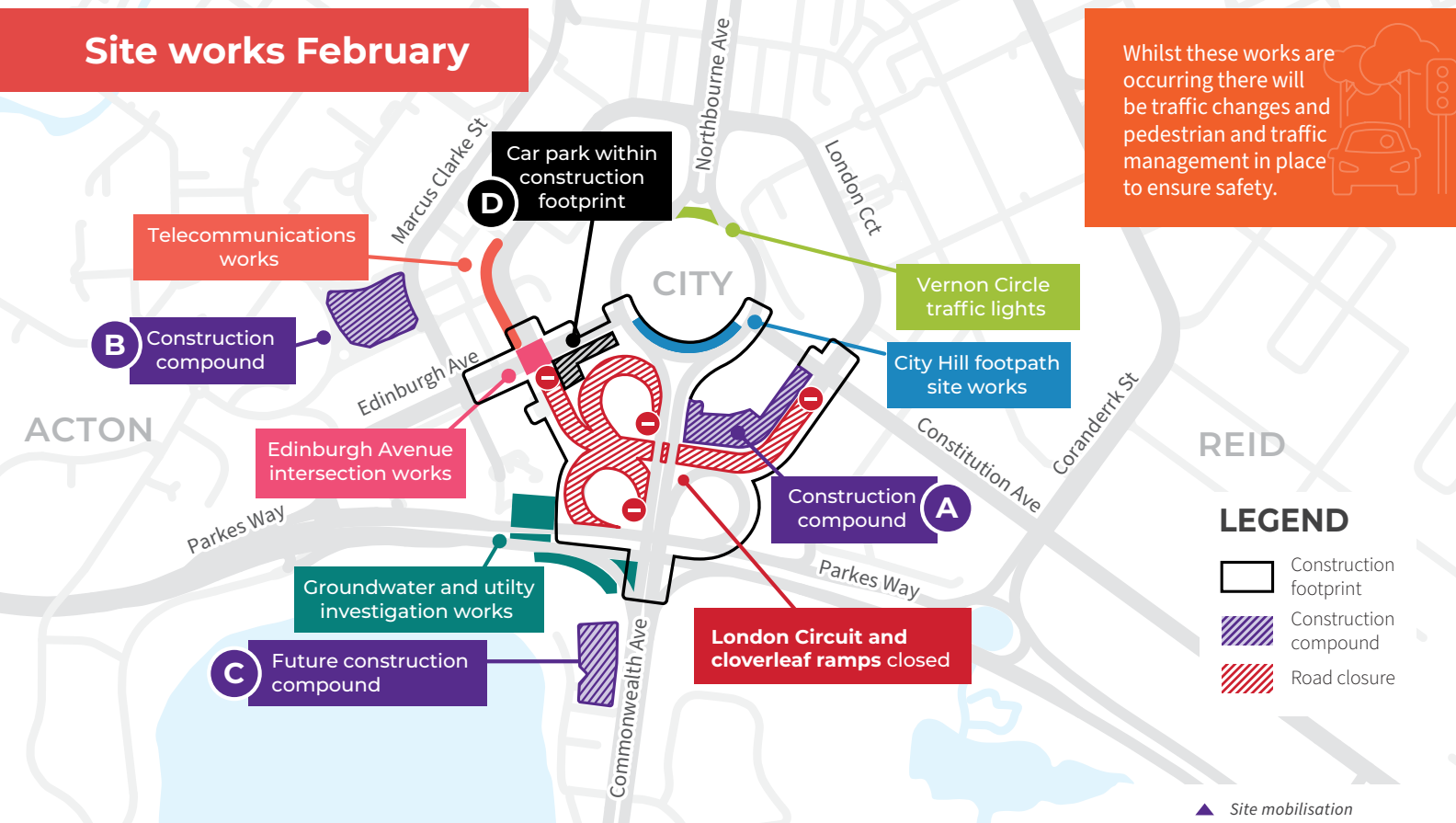
To find out more about the project, visit [act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden](https://act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden).

## Changes to public transport

Changes to the bus network and timetable will be implemented from **Monday 30 January 2023**. The changes ensure reliable services across the network, which take into account the temporary Woden bus interchange and ongoing construction activity in the city and Woden town centre. More information is available at [transport.act.gov.au](https://transport.act.gov.au).

## Site works February

Whilst these works are occurring there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place to ensure safety.



## Overall project works in February

### Early works – groundwater and utility investigations

Groundwater investigations to determine if there is suitable water yield for irrigating the project's landscaping features will continue in February. Potholing investigation works will also be undertaken along Parkes Way between Commonwealth Avenue and Edinburgh Avenue. These works will involve minor potholing excavation to confirm the locations of underground utility services, including how deep they are. At completion of the potholing all surface reinstatement within the grassed areas will be completed.

### City Hill footpath

The existing footpath on City Hill has been extended, linking the footpath between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue. In February, this work will be completed with final landscaping and demobilisation of the work site being undertaken.

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

### 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. The removal of the southern traffic median will be completed in February and replaced with asphalt. The traffic lights will also be modified to accommodate ongoing traffic changes in this area. Throughout all traffic changes, local access will be maintained. Utility investigations and relocations will also be taking place in the area in February.

### 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 along London Circuit. This work is expected to be finalised in early February (weather permitting).

#### PLEASE NOTE:

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

### Vernon Circle

Traffic lights have been installed on the northern section of Vernon Circle and are now operational. In February, final reinstatement work (including asphalt) and landscaping will be completed

before the area is demobilised. Some of this work will be required to take place at night and involve north and southbound partial road closures.

To ensure safety while these works are taking place, there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place.

### Status of site compounds

The Raising London Circuit project is using space within four city car parks for site compounds and construction activities:

- A** ACT Government surface City Hill car park (corner of Constitution Avenue and London Circuit)
- B** ACT Government surface car park at 41 Marcus Clarke Street
- C** ACT Government Acton waterfront surface car park
- D** ACT Government surface carpark at the corner of London Circuit and Edinburgh Avenue

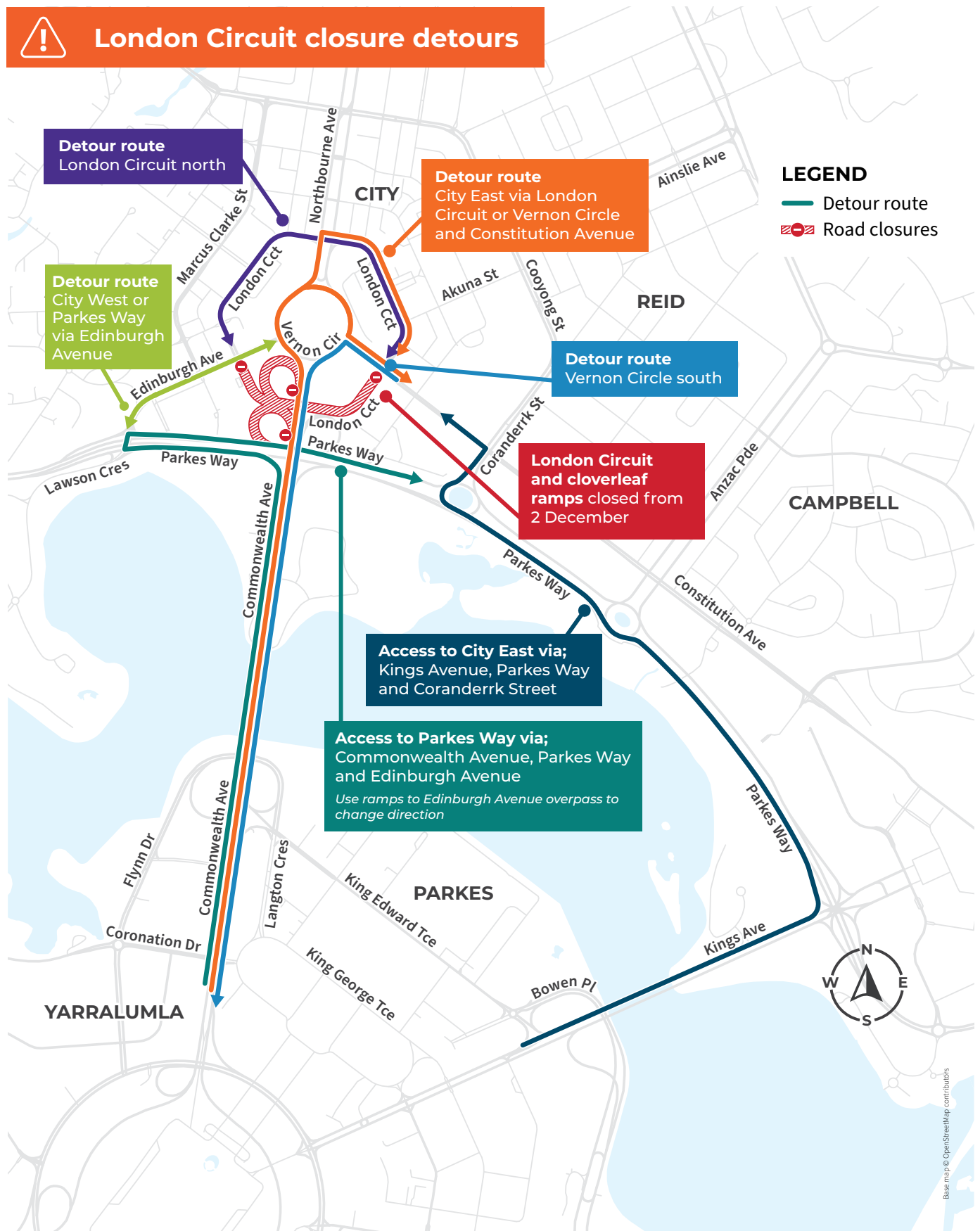
This will involve a temporary loss of some parking spaces.

Site compounds within carparks A and B have been set up and are now in use, and Carpark D is now closed following the closure of London Circuit. Car park C may be used for material storage in 2023.

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# London Circuit closure detours



**Detour route**  
London Circuit north

**Detour route**  
City East via London  
Circuit or Vernon Circle  
and Constitution Avenue

**Detour route**  
City West or  
Parkes Way  
via Edinbrough  
Avenue

**Detour route**  
Vernon Circle south

**London Circuit  
and cloverleaf  
ramps closed from  
2 December**

**Access to City East via;**  
Kings Avenue, Parkes Way  
and Coranderrk Street

**Access to Parkes Way via;**  
Commonwealth Avenue, Parkes Way  
and Edinbrough Avenue  
*Use ramps to Edinbrough Avenue overpass to  
change direction*

**LEGEND**  
— Detour route  
▨ Road closures



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## How to get around the city

Following the closure of London Circuit between Edinbrough Avenue and Constitution Avenue and the cloverleaf exits from Commonwealth Avenue to Parkes Way and London Circuit,

Canberrans are reminded to rethink their routine in 2023 when they travel around the city. Several detour routes exist to help motorists and active commuters move around the city and keep accessing

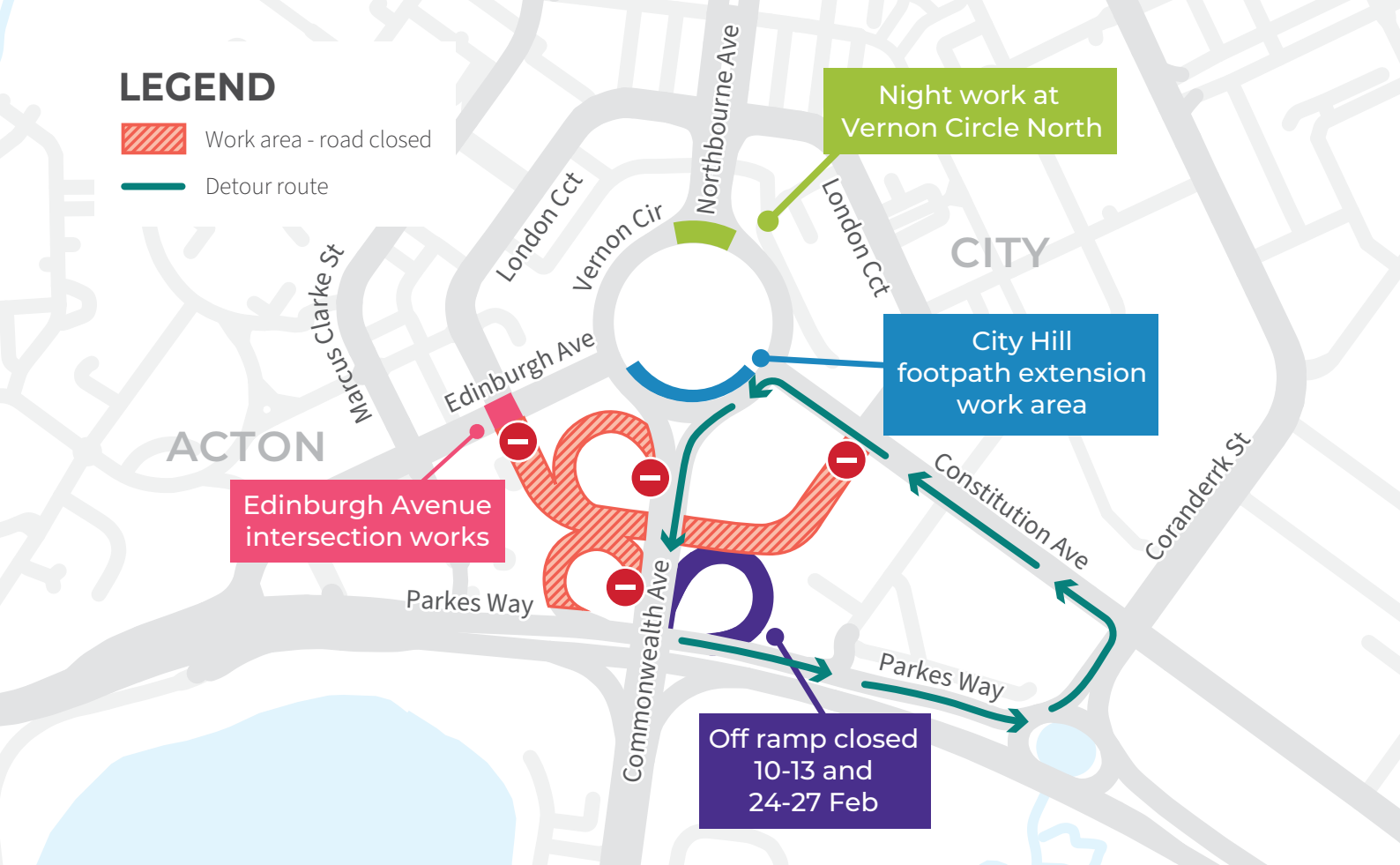
local businesses. More detour maps and information are available at [builtforcbr.act.gov.au/travel-impacts](http://builtforcbr.act.gov.au/travel-impacts).



## LEGEND

 Work area - road closed

 Detour route



## Weekend day and night work

From **Monday 30 January to Friday 17 February** there will be weekend and night work at Vernon Circle and City Hill footpath, laying asphalt, landscaping and reinstating work areas. To ensure safety, while these works are taking place there will be northbound and southbound lane closures at night (between 8pm and 6am).

Between **Monday 13 February** and **Saturday 25 February**, some work at night will be required to modify the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit. This work will take four shifts and will include the removal of existing line marking, marking new road lines and the installation of barriers. While this work is undertaken there will be lane closures and traffic control in place around the intersection, but local access will be maintained.

The south-east off-ramp located off Parkes Way (eastbound) to Commonwealth Avenue will be closed from **8pm Friday 10 February to 6am Monday 13 February** and from **8pm Friday 24 February to 6am Monday 27 February** to allow for stormwater works. If works are impacted by wet weather or other delays, additional closures may be required from **8pm on Friday 3 March to 6am on Monday 6 March**. During this time, fencing will be installed around the off-ramp and traffic will be detoured to travel via Coranderrk Street and Constitution Avenue. In the event of poor weather work may be delayed to the following week.

Other night works may need to take place in February. We will publish notifications on [act.gov.au/](https://act.gov.au/) **lightrailtowoden** to let you know when these take place.

## Sign up for updates

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



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