Monthly construction update

Sunbury Rail Line

JUNE 2020

Construction of the Sunbury Line Upgrade is continuing, with delivery of platform extensions, power upgrades and new stabling underway between the Maribyrnong River and Calder Park. While works on the Sunbury Line Upgrade are delivered, Metro Tunnel works are also progressing between the Maribyrnong River and Tottenham station. We will be undertaking 24/7 works during an upcoming scheduled shutdown of the Sunbury Line. This update provides an outline of current and upcoming works in your area.

Current and upcoming works along the Sunbury Line include:

— Platform upgrades at Footscray, Middle Footscray and Tottenham stations
— Installation of new overhead wiring structures
— Installation of new communications, power and signalling infrastructure
— Installation of new track between Middle Footscray and Tottenham stations
— Out of hours and 24/7 works in the rail corridor.

Further information on these works can be found overleaf or at railprojects.vic.gov.au and metrotunnel.vic.gov.au

When are we working?

Normal construction hours
7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday
7am to 1pm, Saturdays

Out of hours
Some works are required to take place out of normal construction hours.

24 hours
24 hour works are sometimes required during peak construction activities.

Health and safety

The health and safety of our workers and the community is our key priority as we continue to deliver the Sunbury Line Upgrade, as is supporting physical distancing measures in line with current health advice.

We have strict protocols in place to protect the safety of our construction workforce, including enhanced industrial cleaning arrangements, provision of personal protective equipment and measures to reduce staff contact, including staggered shifts.

For more information about Coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au

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Works in your area

**Platform upgrades**

**Footscray station**
9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020
- Works will take place to extend both platforms, enabling more modern trains to service Footscray station. Activities include concrete pouring and asphalt the new platform area and erection of lighting poles.
- We will also be installing conduits that will carry power to new communications and CCTV equipment. This involves trenching through the platform with excavators and laying conduits in trenches before reinstating the platform.
- A raised boarding pad will be installed on Platform 2 to improve accessibility.
- For the duration of these works, the westbound lane on Irving Street will be narrowed to allow concrete and asphalt trucks to park next to the rail corridor. During this time, the adjacent footpath will also be closed to allow concrete pump set up, with pedestrian detours in place.
- These works are expected to produce medium levels of noise and low levels of vibration.

**Middle Footscray station**
8pm to 6am, Monday 15 June to Thursday 18 June 2020, 7am to 6pm, Saturday 20 June and Sunday 21 June 2020, 9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020
- Upcoming works include construction of a maintenance access ramp. This involves delivering concrete and asphalt onto the platform via the pedestrian ramp using motorised wheelbarrows.
- Concrete will then be poured to form the new ramp before asphalt the surface.
- Works will also take place to install tactile and line markings on the previously constructed platform extension.
- To allow asphalt to be delivered into the rail corridor, the northbound lane on Victoria Street between Errol and Buckley streets, including the bicycle lane and pedestrian footpath, will be closed for up to two hours at a time during the works.
- A pedestrian detour will be in place while traffic flow will be maintained in both directions using a shuttle-flow arrangement, with traffic controllers present to direct vehicles and cyclists.
- These works are expected to produce medium levels of noise and low levels of vibration.

**Tottenham station**
9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020
- Works will take place to install an accessible platform shelter. This will involve bored piling to form the structure’s foundations before a rail mounted crane lifts the shelter in place.
- We will also be installing conduits that will carry power to new communications and CCTV equipment. This involves trenching through the platform with excavators and laying conduits in trenches before reinstating the platform.
- Three car spaces (two kiss and ride spaces and one taxi space) in the Tottenham station car park on Sunshine Road will be closed during these works to enable material deliveries into the rail corridor.
- These works are expected to produce medium levels of noise and low levels of vibration.

**Overhead wiring works**

**Rail corridor between the Maribyrnong River and Tottenham station**
8pm to 6am, Monday 15 June to Thursday 18 June 2020, 9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020
- New overhead wiring foundations and structures will be installed between Footscray and Tottenham stations.
- Foundations will be constructed through bored piling. Non-destructive digging will first investigate ground conditions and confirm the area is free of underground services before excavators drill holes in the ground and remove excess soil.
- A reinforcement cage is then installed and concrete poured in to create the pile.
- Rail mounted cranes will be used to lift new steel overhead wiring structures into the rail corridor.
- Works will also take place to transfer overhead wiring to new structures using workers on elevated platforms.
- These works are expected to produce medium levels of noise and low levels of vibration.

**Travel Changes**
To ensure the 24-hour works can take place safely, buses will replace trains on sections of the Sunbury Line from 12.45am Saturday 27 June to the last service on Sunday 5 July.

For journey planning and service information please visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call 1800 800 007

**What to be aware of**
- Ground conditions in the local area contain basalt rock which, if encountered, will need to be broken to facilitate these works. Where possible, any rock breaking activities will be contained to day shifts, however at times, undertaking rock breaking activities at night may be unavoidable.
- Lighting towers powered by generators are required during nightworks within the rail corridor. Where possible, they will be positioned to face away from residential properties.
- Water carts will be used to dampen materials to minimise the spread of dust.

**Traffic and transport impacts**
- Please note the southern Raleigh Street car park is temporarily closed from 6pm Friday 12 June to 6am Monday 6 July to facilitate these works. The northern Raleigh Street car park will remain open.
- Please note sections of the West Footscray station car park (northern and southern ends) will be closed until early September. An offset car park is available adjacent to the Tottenham station car park on Rupert Street.

**Construction site, rail corridor access and laydown areas**
Construction site compounds have been established at the following locations:
- Ashley Street, Braybrook
- Cross Street, Footscray

In addition to normal construction hours, these sites will be used to support out of hours works as required. Construction machinery will access the rail corridor via Leunig Place, Byron Street, Shelley Street, Raleigh Street, Rupert Street and Sunshine Road.
Metro Tunnel works

During the upcoming scheduled closure of the Sunbury Line works will also be undertaken between Tottenham station and the Maribyrnong River as part of the Metro Tunnel Project.

**Track construction**

**Rail corridor between Footscray and Tottenham stations**

*9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020*

- Works will take place to install new track and supporting drainage in the rail corridor between Footscray and Tottenham stations. This track will facilitate operation of the new platform and turnback at West Footscray station
- Once installed, the newly laid track will undergo tamping and regulating, a process which compacts and levels out ballast (crushed rock) under the track to align it to its final position
- These works are expected to create medium levels of noise and vibration, with periods of high noise during tamping activities.

**Lighting pole installation**

**Rail corridor between West Footscray and Tottenham stations**

*9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020*

- Works will take place to feed wire into lighting poles that have been constructed to service the new track between West Footscray and Tottenham stations
- Workers on rail mounted elevated platforms will use hand tools to complete installation
- These works are expected to create minimal levels of noise.

**Train driver’s walkway**

**West Footscray station**

*9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July 2020*

- Works are underway to construct a train driver’s walkway that will allow drivers and staff to move safely between parked trains and the platform
- Upcoming works include asphalting, erection of lighting poles and installation of cable conduits
- This will involve trenching and drilling into the ground with an excavator, pouring concrete and installing new equipment in the rail corridor
- These works are expected to produce medium levels of noise and vibration.

**Services installation**

**Rail corridor between West Footscray and the Maribyrnong River**

*9pm, Friday 26 June ongoing until September 2020*

*In addition to normal construction hours, we will be working from 9pm, Friday 26 June to 6am, Monday 6 July*

- Works are continuing to install communications and power services along the rail corridor between the Maribyrnong River and Tottenham station
- Services will be installed in excavated trenches, in routes bored underground, and on posts installed and secured with concrete
- Non-destructive digging will first investigate ground conditions and confirm the area is free of underground services
- These works are expected to create medium levels of noise and vibration.

More information

To find out more about the Sunbury Line Upgrade:

- [railprojects.vic.gov.au](http://railprojects.vic.gov.au)
- 1800 105 105 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

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