

Construction update - CBD to Tramway Avenue, Parramatta



Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 project

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Transport for NSW acknowledges the Dharug people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pay respects to Elders past and present.

The Parramatta Light Rail is one of the NSW Government's latest major transport infrastructure projects being delivered to serve a growing Sydney.

Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 will connect Westmead to Carlingford via the Parramatta CBD and Camellia. It is expected to open in 2024.

Following completion of the tracks and stops, work continues on the testing of the power substations, signalling, overhead wiring and energisation and the commencement of light rail vehicle testing and commissioning. **Great River City Light Rail** has been engaged by Transport for NSW to complete this work.

Upcoming Work

Testing and commissioning begins

In exciting news, testing and commissioning of the light rail vehicles commenced at the end of last year and will be continuing during the day and night over the coming months.

Light rail vehicle movements will start occurring between Carlingford and Camellia. Testing will then move along the alignment to the Parramatta CBD, North Parramatta, Cumberland Precinct and Westmead in the first half of 2024, with light rail services commencing from mid-2024.

The first light rail vehicle movements will be at low speed and low frequency, with the speed and number of light rail movements increasing as the testing progresses in 2024.

Light rail stops

The major fit out of all the light rail stops is complete. Testing and commissioning of the equipment, integration and signalling at the stops has commenced and will continue for the next few months. All work will take place inside security fencing.

Barrack Lane power substation

The landscaping and building of the power substation in Barrack Lane, Parramatta has been completed. Testing and commissioning of internal equipment will continue for the next few months.

Overhead wiring

Installation of overhead wiring from Tramway Avenue towards Rosehill Gardens will continue in February.

Robin Thomas Reserve

Following the site establishment and earthworks in November and December, construction work has commenced at Robin Thomas Reserve for a new cultural and civic precinct, including a new amenity building for local sporting groups.

Detailed work schedules can be found at parramattalightrail.nsw.gov.au/weekly-works.

When will the work take place?

Standard construction hours are from **7am to 7pm Monday to Friday**, and from **8am to 6pm on Saturday**. Working times and conditions are detailed in the project's [Environment Protection Licence](#).

The construction works at Robin Thomas Reserve are from **7am to 6pm Monday to Friday**, and from **8am to 1pm on Saturday**.

Upcoming out-of-hours work

Testing and commissioning of the light rail vehicles from Tramway Avenue through the CBD will commence from March, initially occurring at night under police escort.

Work outside standard construction hours is permitted for safety reasons, low noise work, delivery of plant to reduce impact to traffic flow and for emergency purposes.

Separate notifications will be provided to directly affected stakeholders prior to any out-of-hours work. To discuss your preference for work hours, please contact the project team.

Track crossing safety tips

- Pedestrians are reminded to step over the tracks to avoid shoes getting stuck and as they can be slippery.
- Cyclists, prams and wheelchair wheels can catch on tracks and should cross straight over the tracks to avoid wheels getting caught.
- Always cross at designated crossings and avoid distractions such as using mobile phones.

Deliveries, traffic and pedestrian access

Traffic controllers will be in place to manage vehicle movements. Driveways and pedestrian access in surrounding streets will be maintained at all times, with some minor delays expected.

You will be separately notified if your property access is affected.

What plant and equipment will be used?

Equipment will include, but is not limited to, a wiring truck, spider crane, elevated work platform, generator, lighting towers, vacuum truck, oxy/welder, mobile plant, tile cutter, powered and non-powered hand-held tools, trucks and light vehicles.

How will the work affect you?

There will be some noise and dust associated with the work. Some of the ways we manage this is by:

- using noise blankets for high-noise works, and non-tonal reversing beepers
- monitoring and reviewing noise levels
- turning off equipment and vehicles when not in use
- undertaking noisy night work for a maximum of four nights in a seven-day period.
- consulting with directly affected residents and businesses.

Active Transport Link

Please visit the parramattalightrail.nsw.gov.au website for the latest information about the shared walking and bike-riding path between Carlingford and Parramatta including a detailed map highlighting the many features and entry and exit points. There may be changes to access along the path at times as work is carried out on the adjacent light rail track.

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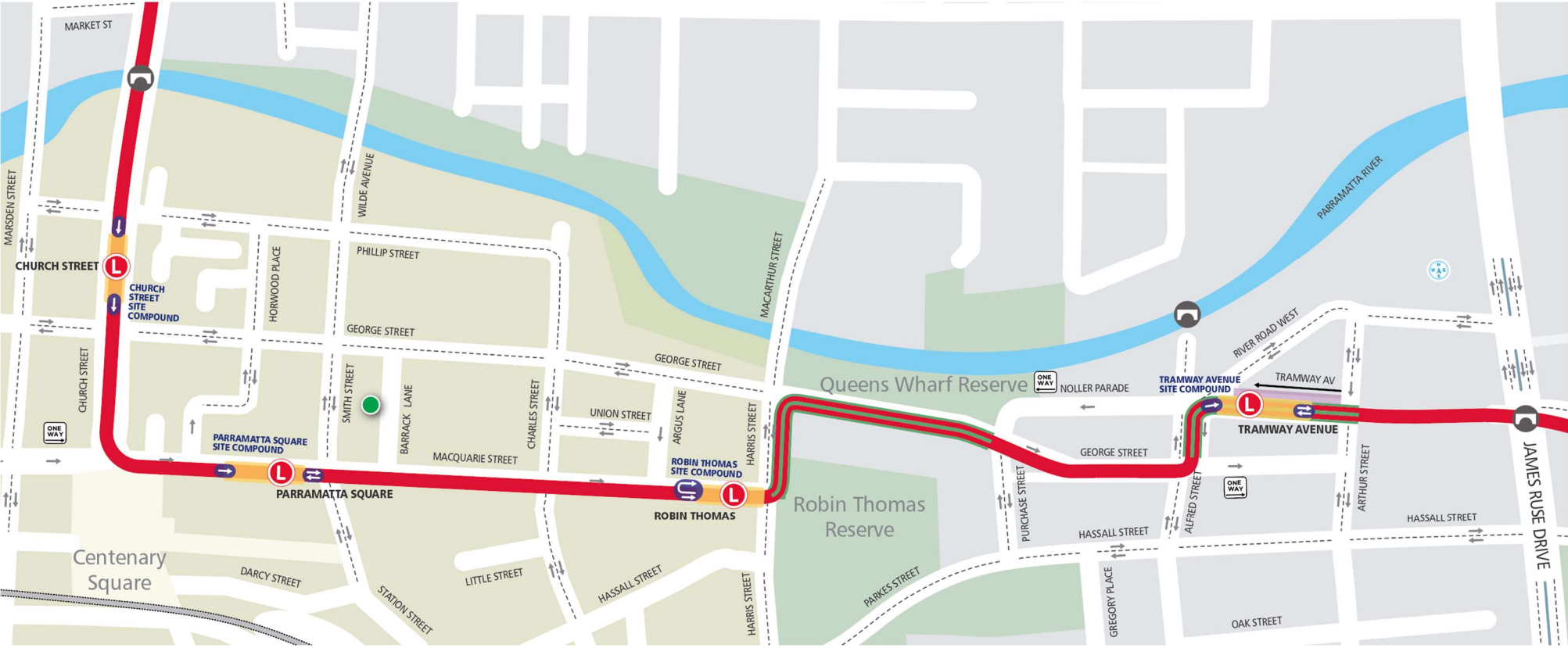
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Location of work



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- Delivery entrance/exit
- Stop compounds
- Traction Power Substation
- Light Rail alignment
- Light rail green track
- Overhead wiring