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# Decommissioning of Dalley Street Zone Substation – Bridge Street work Construction update

Dear resident / business owner,

As you may be aware, Ausgrid is currently installing new underground 11,000-volt electricity cables in Macquarie, Hunter, Bent and Bridge Streets in Sydney's CBD. This work will allow Ausgrid to retire its ageing Dalley Street Zone Substation (located in Dalley Street, Sydney), as part of Ausgrid's plans to maintain a safe and reliable electricity supply in Sydney's CBD.

## Work in Bridge Street

Work in Bridge Street will involve excavating a trench about a metre wide in the roadway and laying conduits (plastic pipes) to house the new cables. Following completion of the work, the cables will be installed through the conduits. Please see map overleaf for location of the planned work.

## Feedback received

Earlier this month we letterbox dropped and emailed all impacted buildings to discuss the proposed works. We would like to thank everyone who responded with feedback. We have been carefully considering all the feedback provided to date and have been negotiating and making arrangements to incorporate into our works program.

The project has received majority support to increase our work up to five nights a week to minimise the construction program and complete the works as quickly as possible.

We have also received some concerns about night work and the length of the work and have taken on board this feedback. To address your concerns, we have talked to Traffic Management Centre (TMC) to seek approval to do more of our work during the day and complete the majority of the work in May. These changes will provide three nights of respite during the week.

We have received approval from the TMC for limited day works (Saturday and Sundays) when the traffic volumes are lower, and have a further requests pending.

We are now planning to work:

- Saturday and Sundays from 6am to 10pm with noisy work after 7am
- Monday to Thursday nights from 9pm to 5am we have put forward a case with the TMC to allow access to Bridge Street earlier in the evening
- **Monday to Fridays from 10am to 3pm** (as required) to do noisy saw cutting. This request is pending with the TMC and would remove the requirement to complete these works at night.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you.

## Day and night work in Bridge Street from Saturday 30 April 2022

Work in Bridge Street will start on Saturday 30 April. Where possible we will do noisy work in Bridge Street during the day. Day work will occur where road licensing approvals are received.

Work will start between Young and Phillip Street, outside the Museum of Sydney.

Day and night work in Bridge Street		
Excavation and conduit installations	<b>Day work</b> (No noisy works before 7am) Saturday and Sundays	6am to 10pm
	<b>Night work</b> (No noisy works after 12am) Monday to Thursday nights	9pm to 5am
Saw cutting	<b>Day work</b> Monday to Friday	10am to 3pm (approvals to be confirmed)



## What to expect during our work

The work in Bridge Street is quite sensitive due to the historic significance of the area. This means that the work will be slower and quieter, we will only open small sections of the road and will slowly and carefully excavate trenches under archaeological supervision to be able to retrieve any signification historical items and/or protect any historical building foundations.

The impact to residents will be less than usual because there will be less saw cutting each day and less noisy rock breaking. Once the roadway is excavated, plastic pipes are installed for the future installation of cables, and the section is backfilled. A section of the traffic lane will be temporarily closed to assist with this work. Work will be noisy at times, and there will be an increase in vehicle movements.

We will minimise the impacts to you by:

- doing the noisiest activities (saw cutting and rock breaking) before midnight, where possible
- installing noise blankets around excavations during noisy activities
- directing lighting away from residential properties
- temporarily restoring work areas to reduce noise from road plates.

## We do not plan to interrupt your electricity supply during this work.

#### Parking and traffic

We will maintain two-way traffic flow, where possible. Traffic control will be in place to assist road users and pedestrians to move around the work areas safely.

There will be some temporary parking restrictions to allow traffic flow. Access to driveways will be maintained unless arrangements are made with you in advance. Pedestrian and footpath access will be always maintained.

#### Keeping you informed

Ausgrid will issue weekly email notifications updates detailing work locations and dates. Residents can register for these updates to be emailed to them at majorprojects@ausgrid.com.au.



For information related to the project visit our website at www.ausgrid.com.au/In-your-community/Construction-projects/Dalley-Street-substationdecommissioning or scan the QR code:

Alternatively, you can contact Ausgrid on 1800 604 765 or email majorprojects@ausgrid.com.au

We apologise for any inconvenience this work may cause you and thank you for your continued patience.

Yours sincerely,

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