



THE TRANSPORT ACCESS PROGRAM (TAP)

Q. What is TAP?

The Transport Access Program is an initiative to provide a better experience for public transport customers by delivering accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure.

Q. What are the key benefits of TAP?

- Stations that are accessible to people with a disability, limited mobility and parents with prams
- Modern buildings and facilities for all modes that meet the needs of a growing population
- Modern interchanges that support an integrated network and allow seamless transfers between all modes for all customers.

UNANDERRA STATION UPGRADE: PROJECT SCOPE

Q. What is the project's key benefits?

- three new lifts to connect Berkeley Road (east), Berkeley Road (west) and the station platform to the existing footbridge
- upgrades to kiss and ride on Berkeley Road (east and west) including seating and improved access paths
- improvements to three existing accessible parking spaces on Berkeley Road (west)
- widening of the existing footpath on Berkeley Road (west)
- new handrails and treads on all stairs
- additional lighting and CCTV.

Q. What benefits will the project deliver?

The Unanderra Station upgrade will make travel more accessible for customers, especially those with a disability, limited mobility, parents/carers with prams and customers with luggage.



Q. Why do we need to upgrade Unanderra Station?

Unanderra Station is currently accessible via pathways and footbridge that do not meet the requirements of the federal Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 (DSAPT).

As an operator of public transport under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA), Transport for NSW is required to upgrade the station precinct to ensure equitable access is provided for all customers.

The upgrade at Unanderra Station will maintain the station access points, minimise the need for new infrastructure, and make the station DSAPT compliant.

PROJECT DELIVERY

Q. How is the project being delivered?

This project is part of the Transport Access Program, a NSW Government initiative to provide a better experience for public transport customers by delivering accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure.

Q. At what stage is the project?

The project is in planning. From 20 July to 3 August 2020 stakeholders and the community are invited to provide feedback on the project's Review of Environmental Factors as part of the planning process.

Q. When will construction start?

Site establishment and construction is expected to commence in mid-2021 subject to planning approval.

Q. When is construction due to be complete?

The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2022.

Q. Why does the upgrade take so long?

Major projects in and around the rail corridor like station upgrades are complex and require careful planning.



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Preparation work needs to be completed before the new lifts can be installed. This includes service relocation, excavation, piling and platform work and installing new electrical services underneath the tracks.

For the safety of the community and workers, and to minimise disruptions to train services, major construction activities are completed during scheduled trackwork weekends when trains don't run. This means the major construction work needed to upgrade a station can only occur during the limited number of trackwork weekends throughout the year.

As a result, station upgrades generally take longer to build than other construction projects outside the rail corridor.

Q. Who is contracted to deliver the upgrade?

Transport for NSW is procuring a delivery partner for this project. The delivery contractor will be announced subject to the project receiving planning approval.

CAR PARKING

Q. Will the car park be upgraded as part of the planned works?

Car park works are not included in this upgrade however, a new kiss and ride space will be delivered and the three existing accessible parking spaces will be upgraded to current standard.

Q. How many car spaces at Unanderra Station are accessible?

There are 3 accessible car spaces within the commuter car park on Berkley Road (West).

Q. Will there be a loss of parking spaces during construction?

There may be a temporary reduction in parking space during the upgrade of the accessible parking spaces within the commuter car park.



CONSULTATION

Q. What community consultation has been undertaken so far?

Early engagement of the Unanderra Station Upgrade concept design was undertaken in March and April 2020. Key stakeholders such as Sydney Trains and Wollongong City Council have also been engaged throughout the project development.

Q. How will stakeholders be kept informed?

Transport for NSW is committed to keeping the community informed and providing opportunities for the community to have their say. This commitment is driven by the belief that meaningful communication with the community is a crucial element in the successful delivery of our projects.

Various tools are used to achieve this, including: notifications and newsletters, advertisements and signage.

FUNDING

Q. How much will the Unanderra Station upgrade cost?

The cost of the upgrade depends on the scope of work required, the size of the station and the engineering complexities of the site.

MISCELLANEOUS

Q. Where are the nearest TAP projects to Unanderra Station Upgrade?

Construction is underway for an accessibility upgrade at Fairy Meadow Station, and planning underway at nearby Towradgi Station.

Planning is currently underway to improve accessibility at Dapto Station.

Q. Where can more information be found about the project?

For more project information visit: transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/Unanderra.



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Project updates and feedback can also be requested by contacting the project team on **1800 684 490** or by emailing projects@transport.nsw.gov.au.

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