



Circular Quay Renewal

Community Update: Site Investigations

October 2023



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.



artist impression only

Project update

Transport is renewing Circular Quay to deliver an improved transport hub.

As part of the Circular Quay Renewal project, site investigations are underway. So far, general surveying work on land and in the harbour has been completed, including – utility services locating, heritage assessment, ecology and archaeology dives and structural condition assessments.

Upcoming work

You may see us carrying out geotechnical investigations, commencing in November.

These investigations help us understand and assess the existing ground and structural conditions. The information gathered from this work will help to inform the planning and design of the Project.

Equipment will be used to open the pavement in the public areas at Circular Quay to accurately identify utility services in the ground and to assess the ground conditions.

Work related to the Circular Quay Renewal project will continue through to mid-December and includes:

- establishing temporary work compounds
- locating existing underground services



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- using machinery such as saws and drills to cut into the pavement and various structural areas
- using excavators to break and remove concrete underneath the pavement to expose services
- using vacuum truck excavation to remove soil and rock around services under the ground
- drilling boreholes and installing monitoring equipment using specialised machinery
- using a barge in the water to lower specialised equipment down to the seabed
- minimal disturbances to the grass and vegetation in First Feet Park

Restoration of all work areas when works have been completed.

To ensure the safety of everyone using Circular Quay it is important that most of this work is undertaken at night.

Pedestrian access in Circular Quay




Pedestrian access to all areas within and around Circular Quay will be maintained at all times.

Temporary work compounds will be created around Circular Quay and wharves 2-6, with signage in place to assist pedestrians.

Circular Quay Renewal project, site investigations work area



Key

-  Site compounds to store equipment and temporary fencing
-  Project boundary
-  Area of temporary works

Note: work will occur within the red and blue hatched areas

Day work: 7am-6pm Monday to Friday

Night work: 8pm-5am Sunday to Thursday

The work will continue until mid-December at various locations across Circular Quay, subject to weather conditions. The location of work activities is shown in the image below.

What will this mean for you?

Thank you in advance for your understanding and patience as we commence this critical work to upgrade and renew Circular Quay.

Throughout this work you may notice:

- workers and vehicles in Circular Quay
- temporary fencing and lighting installed around the public domain
- noise from equipment such as power saws, jackhammers, excavators, drills and vacuum trucks.

Managing these impacts

Our technical experts have assessed the impacts of these works. This has including undertaking a noise and vibration assessment to understand the cumulative impacts of our activities.

A range of mitigation measures will be in place, such as the installation of acoustic noise blankets on temporary fencing, directional lighting and doing more impactful work earlier in the shift where possible. This includes carrying out saw-cutting activities during the daytime where permits allow to reduce the noise impact at night.

We will plan the location and time of certain activities to minimise the impacts, both during the day and at night. We will continue to work closely with residents and businesses, and we are available to respond to your questions and feedback. We will do our best to minimise any inconvenience.

For more information

If you have any questions or concerns about this work or would like to speak to someone about the Circular Quay Renewal project, Transport for NSW and the Project team are contactable 24 hours, 7 days a week via phone on **1800 684 490** or via email, **projects@transport.nsw.gov.au**.

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