

Notice of works

July 2025

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Melbourne's tram network, the largest in the world, serves over 200 million passengers each year. As the city grows, it's essential to update the network to meet future demands and ensure it continues to provide reliable transport to work, school, healthcare, shopping, and more.

We're working with the Department of Transport and Planning to upgrade the tram poles and overhead tram wires along Matthews Avenue, Airport West. These important maintenance works will improve operations and safety along this section of the tram network.

During these works, buses will replace Route 59 trams during Stages 1 and 2, and the English Street off-ramp will be closed between 9pm and 5am during Stage 1 and 2.

Where?

Works will happen in the tram reserve along Matthews Avenue, between Fullarton Road and Hood Street, Airport West.

When?

Early works:

Day works: **7am to 5pm, Monday 18 August to Friday 5 September 2025.**

Night works: **8pm to 5am, Monday 11 August to Sunday 17 August 2025.** Note these night works will be intermittent.

Main works:

Stage 1: Night works will take place from **9pm to 5am, Monday 18 August to Thursday 21 August 2025.**

Stage 2: 24-hour works will take place from **9pm, Friday 12 September to 5am, Monday 15 September 2025.**

What is happening?

Early works:

- Setting up site and traffic management.

Day works:

- Trenching and installing conduits.

Night works:

- Service proving to identify underground services.
- Digging new holes to prepare for pole installation.

Main works

Stages 1 and 2:

- Setting up work areas including traffic management.
- Removing old and installing new tram powerlines and poles.
- Reinstating the works area.

What to expect?

- Vehicles, machinery, and contractors on site.
- Mostly low to medium levels of noise. High levels of noise are expected when we are removing poles.

Early works:

- Partial lane closure along Matthews Avenue as required.

Stages 1 and 2:

- Matthews Avenue southbound lanes will be closed to cars and other vehicles, but open to buses. See detour routes overleaf.
- English Street off-ramp will be closed from 9pm to 5am. See detour routes overleaf.
- Car parks along Matthews Avenue, between Fullarton Road and Hood Street, will be closed for safety. Please use side streets for parking.



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