

## **Project Update: Elizabeth Street Sewer Upgrade Construction extended to July 2024**

### **25 March 2024**

To cater for growth in Melbourne's CBD, Greater Western Water is constructing a new sewer in Elizabeth Street between Lonsdale and Victoria streets. The project is being delivered for Greater Western Water by Rob Carr Pty Ltd.

### **Why is construction taking longer than expected?**

Construction started in February 2023 and was expected to be completed by March 2024. During construction, we encountered unexpected ground conditions which proved to be more difficult than previously anticipated.

Working in the Melbourne CBD can be challenging, with underground assets and utilities from over 150 years of construction and changing technology. The complex CBD environment has also created logistical and operational challenges. This has resulted in project delays and an updated completion date of July 2024.

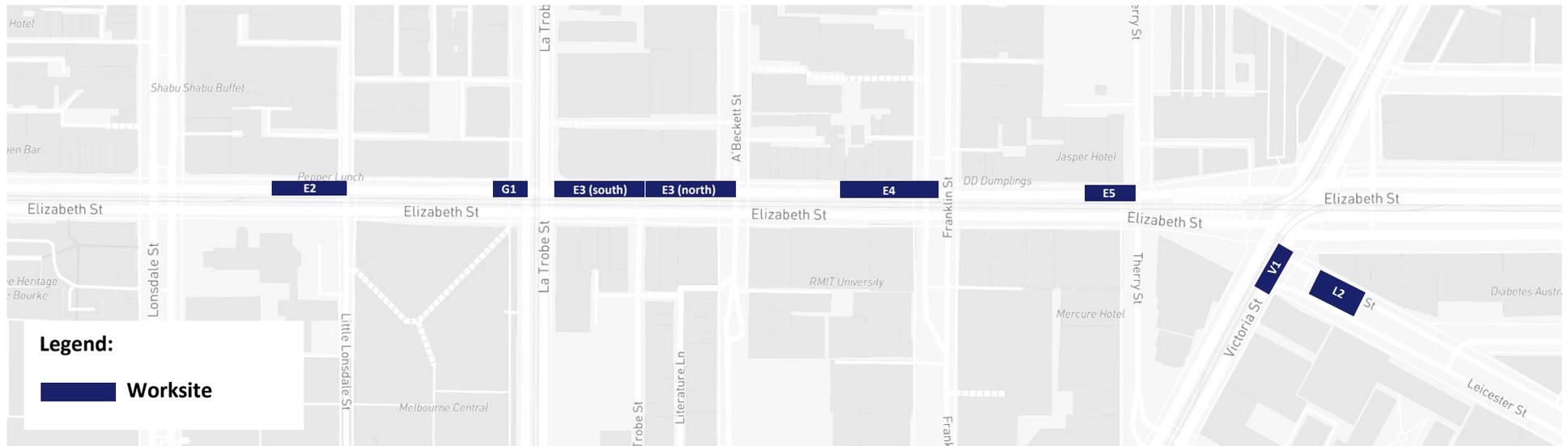
We have been working to better plan for and anticipate these complexities, to help reduce delays for the remainder of the works.

### **What we are doing and when**

The timeframes for the remaining works in 2024 are shown below:

- **Early April:** An intermediate shaft will be installed on Elizabeth Street within the intersection with Latrobe Street (site G1 – see map overleaf). Further details about this work site are provided on page 3.
- **Mid-May to mid-June:** Tunnelling works will be undertaken along Elizabeth Street, between Latrobe Street (site G1) and Little Lonsdale Street (site E2).
- **Late June:** The work sites on Elizabeth Street at A'Beckett Street, Franklin Street and Therry Street (northern section of site E3, site E4 and site E5 respectively) will be re-established and construction will be resumed in stages. We will provide further updates before construction restarts at each work site.
- **Early July:** Construction on Victoria Street at Elizabeth Street (site V1) will commence (and will only be undertaken at night), while construction at the intermediate shaft on Elizabeth Street (site G1) is expected to be complete.
- **Late July:** By late July 2024, construction at all remaining work sites (site E2, site E3 south, site E3 north, site E4, site E5, site V1 and site L2) are expected to be complete. At this time, Elizabeth Street, Victoria Street and Leicester Street will be completely reopened.

For more information see updated timeline and project map overleaf.



C = Construction complete

		2024																			
		March				April				May				June				July			
		Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4
Site E2	Elizabeth Street at Little Lonsdale Street	■	■	■	■																
Site G1	Elizabeth Street within the intersection with La Trobe Street					■	■	■	■									■			
Tunnelling works	Between site G1 and site E2											■		■							
Site E3 (south)	Elizabeth Street immediately north of La Trobe Street	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■				
Site E3 (north)	Elizabeth Street at A'Beckett Street																	■	■	■	■
Site E4	Elizabeth Street at Franklin Street																	■	■	■	■
Site E5	Elizabeth Street at Therry Street																	■	■	■	■
Site V1	Victoria Street at Elizabeth Street (night works)																	■	■	■	■
Site L2	Leicester Street between Victoria Street and Berkeley Street	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■

## Intermediate shaft at Latrobe Street

As part of the works, we will be installing an intermediate shaft within the intersection of Elizabeth Street and Latrobe Street (site G1) in **early April 2024**. Works at this site will only be undertaken at night, and are expected to be complete in **early July 2024**.

- Works will take place **between 12am and 5am Sunday to Thursday**
- The works will include road sawing, shotcreting, pipe connections, truck/crane operations, asphaltting and backfilling.
- Road sawing will generate a moderate amount of noise, and is expected to be complete within the first night of works.
- The works will not impact your sewerage and water supplies.

While works are being undertaken, westbound vehicles on Latrobe Street will be unable to proceed straight through the intersection, and will be required to detour south onto Elizabeth Street.

At all other times, temporary fencing and barriers will be removed and the shaft will be covered by a steel road plate to ensure Latrobe Street is safe for use.

## What will the sites look like when construction is complete?

Once construction at each site is complete, our work sites will be returned to their original condition. At each site this involves:

- Demobilising machinery and equipment from site.
- Removing all temporary fencing, barriers and temporary traffic management signage.
- Asphaltting to return the road surface to its original condition and installing replacement line marking.

Some of these reinstatement works may take place at night. Updates will be provided if night works are required.

Sites will be fully reopened to traffic after works are complete, with traffic conditions operating normally going forward.

## Need more information?

For more information about the project including updated timelines for each work site, please visit [yoursay.gww.com.au/elizabeth-st](https://yoursay.gww.com.au/elizabeth-st).

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we complete these important works.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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