

Perth Station Platform 5 Changes

Timber footbridge removal and new stairs

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Sinking the Fremantle Line from William Street to Lake/King Street is the first stage of the Perth City Link – a Federal, State and Local Government project to reconnect the CBD and Northbridge.

As part of this rail work, Perth Station will undergo a number of changes to cater for Perth's growing public transport needs and improve passenger connections.

In November 2011, work will begin work on Platform 5 in Perth Station to allow construction of a new pedestrian underpass, which will connect all platforms to Perth Underground.

Description of the works

From early November two areas of work will be carried out on Platform 5:

- removing the timber footbridge connecting Platform 5 and 6/7
- installing new stairs next to the lift and escalators

During the work, a temporary platform-level walkway, connecting Platform 5 and Platform 6/7, will be installed to manage passenger movement. The walkway will be removed when this work is completed.

Duration

The timber footbridge removal and construction of new stairs will be completed by late-December 2011.

Why

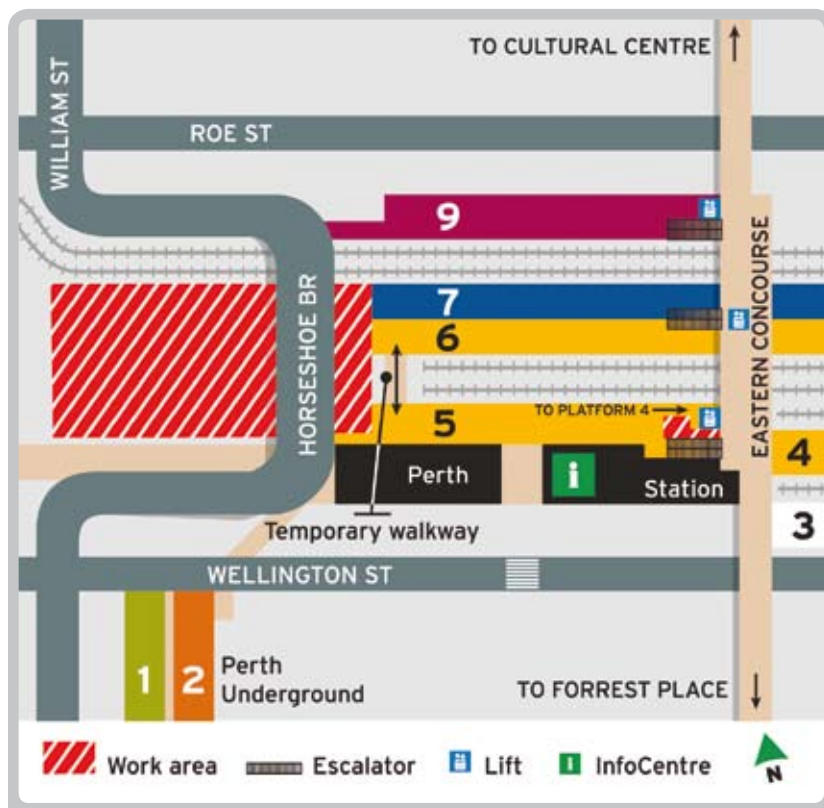
The timber footbridge must be removed to allow a new pedestrian underpass to be built.

The new Platform 5 stairs will improve passenger movement.

Impact on passengers

Access to train services, lifts and escalators will not be affected.

To minimise noise and dust, solid fencing will be in place around the worksite and some work will occur at night. All work will follow approved noise and dust management plans.



Artist impression of the new stairs.

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Frequently asked questions

Can I access Platform 3 and 4 while the stairs are being built?

Yes.

Can I still use the lift on Platform 5?

Yes, passengers can use the lift during and after construction of the Platform 5 stairs.

Why isn't the platform-level walkway staying?

The walkway must be removed to allow enough room to build a new pedestrian underpass.

What is the pedestrian underpass?

The pedestrian underpass is an underground link connecting all platforms to Perth Underground.

What time of day will work take place?

Works that do not impact train services or passengers will be conducted during the day. Night works are likely to occur out of train operating hours.

What work will be done at night?

Night works will occur for several key activities including removing the concrete balustrade on the Eastern Concourse and delivering pre-fabricated steel for the new stairs.

How are you managing noise during the work?

All work will follow an approved noise management plan. This includes using the quietest tools available and conducting some work at night.

How are you managing dust during the work?

All work will be behind solid fencing and will follow an approved dust management plan.



Heritage-listed timber footbridge.

Why are you removing the timber footbridge so early in the project?

Removing the timber footbridge allows the first stage of the pedestrian underpass to be built.

Why are you building this section of the pedestrian underpass first?

To continue train service and passenger movement, the pedestrian underpass will be built in stages. The Platform 5 and 6 section is the first stage as the Armadale services terminate in Perth Station.

How are you removing the timber footbridge?

Special care will be taken to remove, record and safely store each part of the heritage footbridge at the Public Transport Authority's Welshpool compound for future use at a new location.

Where will the timber footbridge be relocated to?

A final location for the timber footbridge is yet to be determined.

Why are you building stairs in front of the lift and not against the escalator?

There are a number of reasons, such as meeting Australian standards to provide a high-level of safety for passengers.

This design also provides optimum space for passengers to connect between Platform 3, 4 and 5. By allowing openings on both sides of the stairs, passengers have more room to move around the stairs and lift.

When will the rail project be completed?

The rail project for the Perth City Link will be completed in 2014, when the new Fremantle Line tunnel is operational.

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