

# Perth Station access changes

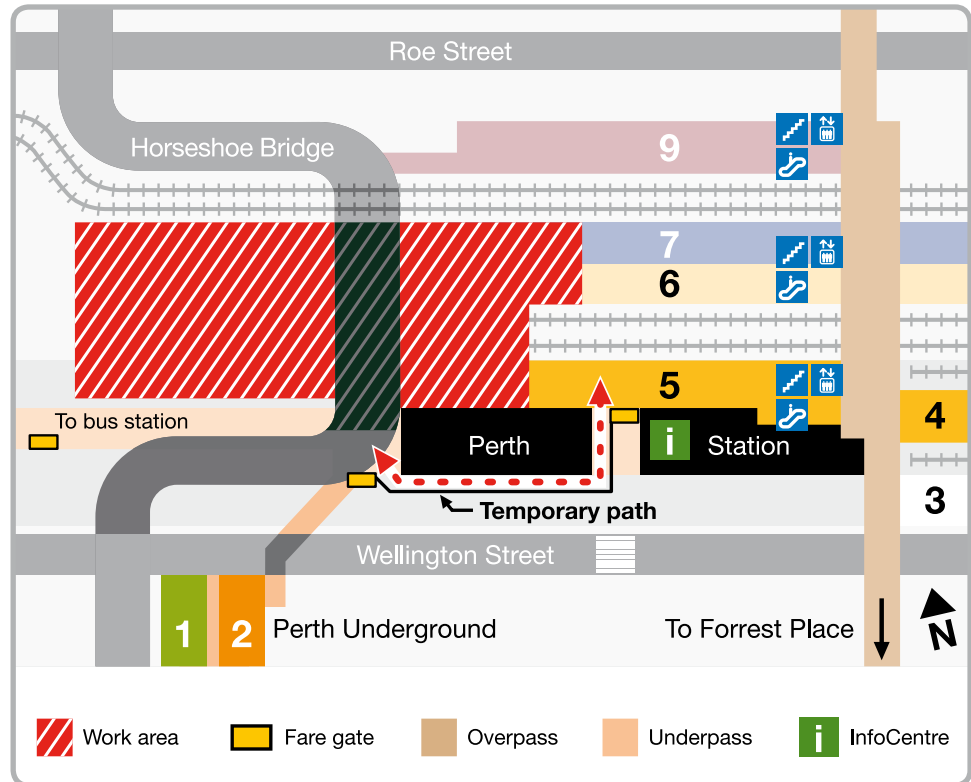
Temporary path via front of Perth Station building from early Jan 2012

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Sinking the Fremantle Line from William Street to Lake/King Streets 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 early January 2012, work will begin on stage one of the new pedestrian underpass, which will connect all platforms to Perth Underground on one seamless level.



## Description of the works

A section of Perth Station's Platform 5, from the Wellington Street entrance to under the Horseshoe Bridge (see map), will close.

When closed, this section will be demolished to track level, the walls of the new pedestrian underpass installed, earth removed and the underpass roof built.

Once the roof is in place Platform 5 will be rebuilt, allowing it to be reopened to passengers before the next stage of the underpass begins.

## Impact on passengers

During the partial Platform 5 closure, passengers connecting between services in Perth Station, Perth Underground or Wellington Street Bus Station will use a temporary pathway located in front of the Perth Station building.

The partially covered path keeps passengers inside the paid area of Perth Station and is accessible from under the Horseshoe Bridge and one side of the Wellington Street entrance (see map).

The path is very similar in length to the existing route via Platform 5.

The temporary walkway, connecting Platform 5 and Platform 6/7 in Perth Station, will also close to allow room to build the underpass.

## Duration

The diversion will be in place from the first week of January 2012 until mid-2012.

## Why

The partial Platform 5 closure allows for stage one, from Platform 6/7 to Platform 5, of the new pedestrian underpass to be built. When completed, the underpass will greatly improve connections between services by:

- saving passengers almost a minute in travel time between train services
- providing universal access for passengers through lifts, stairs and escalators

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## Frequently asked questions

### ***Will I need to tag-on/tag-off to use the temporary pathway?***

No, the temporary path will be built in a way that keeps passengers inside the paid area of Perth Station.

### ***Can I still access Perth Station from Forrest Place?***

Yes, only half of Perth Station's Wellington Street entrance will become the temporary pathway. The other half remains the station's entry/exit.

### ***How much extra time will the temporary path take?***

The temporary pathway is similar in length to the current access in Perth Station and should add less than a minute to a journey.

### ***Why couldn't passengers walk around the work but stay in Perth Station?***

After investigating a number of options, this option was deemed the best as it maintains ample distance from equipment for passenger safety and significant room for passengers to transfer between services, minimises the number of changes and greatly shortens building time.

### ***Will the connection between Wellington Street Bus Station and Perth Station be affected by this work?***

No, passengers can still transfer between stations by using Perth Station's Wellington Street entrance/exit and walking along Wellington Street or using the temporary pathway to access the old Platform 1 entry/exit.

### ***There was a platform-level walkway connecting Platform 5 to Platform 6/7, where has it gone?***

The temporary walkway was installed in November to assist with passenger movement while the new stairs on Platform 5 were built. When the stairs opened, the walkway was removed to allow enough room to build the new pedestrian underpass.

### ***Can I still access the ATM on Platform 5?***

No, there are other ATMs located nearby, such as in Forrest Chase and up on the Eastern Concourse at the entrance to the walkway connecting to Forrest Chase.

### ***Can I still access the InfoCentre?***

Yes, the InfoCentre entrance is now off Wellington Street and the exit is located in the Perth Station foyer.

### ***Can I still access Trackside Bakery and the vending machines on Platform 5?***

Yes, Trackside Bakery and the vending machines will operate as normal during this work.

### ***Can I still access the Transwa ticket desk?***

Passengers using the Transwa service can visit the ticket desk located on Platform 3.

### ***How are you managing noise during the work?***

All work will follow an approved noise management plan. This includes, where possible, using noise suppression methods and conducting some work at night.

### ***How are you managing dust during the work?***

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

### ***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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