



Australian Government funding: \$132.5 million

Australian Capital Territory Government contribution: \$132.5 million
Total: \$265.0 million

Project description

This project will extend the Canberra Light Rail network from Canberra City to Commonwealth Park. It will deliver 1.7 kms of new light rail track and three new stations at City West, City South and Commonwealth Park. It will also involve associated utilities preparation.

The Light Rail network is designed to reduce future congestion and improve transport accessibility, by providing more convenient, reliable and high-quality transport services that better connect Canberrans – with Stage 2 to create a north-south public transport spine for Canberra.

The Stage 2A extension will facilitate access to educational institutions, retail and entertainment precincts, major events and employment hubs. It will help reduce congestion along its route by reducing road traffic at peak times, moving an extra 2,500 to 3,000 people a day. It will also operate on 100 per cent renewable energy when constructed.

This project is complementary to the Parkes Way Upgrade planning and Commonwealth Avenue Bridge upgrade projects.

Jobs supported

- This project is expected to support 1,000 direct and indirect jobs

Project benefits

- Improved passenger rail services
- Reduced congestion and improved travel times
- Improved connectivity between people with jobs and services, and goods with markets
- Supporting a more integrated and effective transport system

Project timelines

- This project is expected to start construction in early 2022 and be finished construction by early 2026

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM CANBERRA LIGHT RAIL - STAGE 2A

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