



Dear Colleagues,

As promised, I'm writing to provide an update after Premier Daniel Andrews made announcements this afternoon about workplaces.

I'm pleased to confirm that public transport remains an essential service and Metro Trains will continue to run train services, with the exception of the Night Network.

The Government's major projects agenda will continue, albeit with restrictions to the number of workers that can be onsite at one time. The Major Transport Infrastructure Authority is working through each project, line by line, to make sure they are reduced to the practical minimum number of workers. We will understand more about the impacts of this in the coming days and we will keep our Projects colleagues fully informed and on a timely basis.

Other essential services such as supermarkets, grocery stores, pharmacies, petrol stations, banks, news agencies, post offices will continue to operate. However, some industries will be scaled back or cease altogether. This is a very difficult day for many organisations and workers across Melbourne and Victoria and we hope that they will be able to find a secure way through this period. For more information on this, I encourage you to refer to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) website.

I want to take this opportunity to again thank each of our front line colleagues and every colleague working from home for your commitment in keeping Melbourne moving, supporting the Government's Big Build and ensuring the sustainability of our organisation during this time. Your commitment is truly noticed and appreciated by everyone. Yesterday Minister for Public Transport, Ben Carroll thanked all public transport employees for "doing a very good job in a very difficult situation".

More information and detail will be clarified over the coming days and we are fully engaged in ongoing discussions with Department of Transport and the Major Transport Infrastructure Authority. I commit to keeping you informed about significant information as required.

Your local leaders will also provide information and answer questions specific to your work areas but also please be mindful that your manager or local team leader may not have all the information right now.

This coronavirus pandemic is a history altering event but by everyone playing their part with these tough rules, we look forward to our city being in a better position by September and we can start to see a clearer path to recovery.

Please continue to take care and look out for your colleagues and your families at this time.

We are One Team.

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