

Public Notification

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Anzac Parade Tree Works

The National Capital Authority (NCA) will conduct tree works on Anzac Parade over the coming days.

Part of the NCA's regular maintenance of the more than 19,000 trees under its care, the works are expected to involve the removal of five trees and partial removal of a further three. These eight trees have been assessed as a potential risk to the public.

The works will be carried out with careful consideration of habitat for native wildlife.

Footpaths in the immediate area of the works may need to be temporarily closed. Where this is necessary, exclusion zones and signage will be in place.

Through the Tree Management Policy, the NCA is committed to increase the tree canopy to 40 per cent of managed land by 2030 and replacing trees removed with new plantings.

The works will be completed ahead of Anzac Day, which is expected to lead to increased visitation to the area. More information on the NCA's management of its natural assets is available <u>here</u>.

Background

Anzac Parade is lined on both sides by *Eucalyptus bicostata*. Commonly known as Southern Blue Gum, this species occurs naturally near Canberra at Burrinjuck. The tree has a life span of approximately 80-100 years in Canberra. The NCA is currently maintaining the mature treescape by removing any individual trees as they fail and replanting in accordance with the original design. The NCA will be planting 140 new Southern Blue Gums on Anzac Parade over coming months. The long-term effect is that while the overall treescape and canopy will be maintained, tree populations will consist of diverse ages.