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For the attention of the residents/occupants/business owners in this building

Weekend works on 15 and 16 June

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Dear residents, business owners,

Before the summer, VITAL will do one more weekend of non-stop work, in order to be completely ready for the big summer operation. It will be the weekend between Friday 14 June at 19.00 hours and Monday 17 June at 7.00 hours. On Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 June, tram 5 will be out of service between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen Stadshart. Replacement bus 45 will provide the connection between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen's bus station. VITAL will do its work, non-stop, at locations such as Kronenburg, Biesbosch, Zonnestein, Oranjebaan and Stadshart – as well as, for example, the Gondel/Turfschip work sites and the depot. Unfortunately, noise and inconvenience for road users cannot be avoided. We would like to inform you about these works.

Excavation of water basements at Kronenburg and Zonnestein

VITAL will use the weekend for the excavation of basements, which will be used for catching and draining excess water underneath the split-level crossing at Kronenburg and Zonnestein, and for pouring concrete for these cellars. It will also prepare the summer weeks, in which tram 5 will be out of service again. In addition, extra foundation pillars will be installed at Kronenburg, and work on the tracks near the Esso petrol station will take place.

Start with demolition work at Oranjebaan stop

In the same weekend, VITAL will make a start with the removal of the low-rise platform and the lift at the Oranjebaan stop. The deconstruction will take place between 7.00 and 23.00 hours. At the northern side of the high-rise platform a temporary low-rise platform will be constructed, for trams 5 and 6 between 17 June and 14 July, and between 26 August and 5 September. In this period, the Oranjebaan stop will have no lift. Between 15 June and 5 September bus 55 will make an extra stop at Onderuit, to provide a connection with bus 55 and trams 5 and 6. The Onderuit stop is fully accessible and is equipped with a lift and ramps.

Removal of trees

A 10 kV electricity supply cable needs to be replaced between the Sportlaan and Onderuit stops. For this, twenty-five trees will have to be removed. These trees are located at the eastern side of the tracks, between the tracks and Beneluxbaan, and will be felled during this weekend. VITAL will only do this with explicit permission from an ecologist, as the breeding season for birds is not yet over.

Track renewal intersection Gondel/Beneluxbaan

The tracks at the Gondel/Beneluxbaan intersection (towards the north) need to be replaced – and yet again, this will happen during the weekend of 15 and 16 June. The intersection will be closed from 15.00 hours on Saturday until 7.00 hours on Monday. At Beneluxbaan, driving towards the south will be fine, but turning left towards Gondel will not be possible – as well as turning left from Gondel towards Beneluxbaan. Ongoing traffic, using Beneluxbaan towards the north, will be diverted.

The Amstelveen Line is part of the Amsteltram project. The implementation of the renewal is coordinated by the City of Amsterdam's Metro and Tram department, and is commissioned by Vervoerregio Amsterdam.

Elsewhere...

In addition to the aforementioned activities, work will also take place this weekend at the Biesbosch and Stadshart stops, at the Gondel/Turfschip storage and work sites, and at the depot. At Biesbosch, this regards the overhead wires. At Stadshart, foundation piles will be installed for the masts which support the overhead wires. Here, VITAL will also focus on cables and pipes.

Furthermore, transport of railway materials will take place between the Ouderkerkerlaan and De Boelelaan/VU stops. Similar transports will be done at the Gondel/Turfschip storage site, primarily near the Turfschip/Groenelaan corner. These activities will take place on Saturday between 7.00 and 22.00 hours and on Sunday.

Near the depot, VITAL will do the loading and unloading of building materials at the work site at J.C. van Hattumweg. This will happen throughout the weekend, 24/7.

Consequences and inconvenience

• The works will cause a considerable amount of noise, also during the night.

• Transport of materials will take place via the tracks, during the nights before and after the weekend. Track maintenance may take place during the nights after the weekend. This may also cause noise during these nights.

• On Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 June, tram 5 will not run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen Stadshart. Replacement bus 45 will run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen's bus station. Tram 5 will run again, according to its normal timetable, from Monday 17 June at 5.35 hours.

• On Saturday 15 June between 7.00 and 15.00 hours, the right-hand lane for motorised traffic from Handelsweg towards the south will be shortened. At Beneluxbaan towards the south, one lane will be closed. At Van Heuven Goedhartlaan, one lane towards Handelsweg (easterly direction) will also be closed. There will be a local diversion.

• Around the Oranjebaan stop, there will be inconvenience for motorised traffic between Saturday 7.00 hours and Sunday 23.00 hours. On either side of Beneluxbaan, a lane will be closed, in connection with the deconstruction of the Oranjebaan stop. A speed reduction will also apply. Oranjebaan's northern tunnel for cyclists will be closed as well. There will be a diversion for cyclists.

• During the tree felling, there will be a temporary lane closure and speed reduction at Beneluxbaan between the Oranjebaan and Onderuit stops (in the direction of Amsterdam).

• The Gondel/Beneluxbaan intersection (towards the north) will be closed between Saturday 15.00 hours and Monday 7.00 hours. There will be a local diversion for motorised traffic.

• Between 15 June and 5 September bus 55 will make an extra stop at Onderuit, to provide a connection with trams 5 and 6 (or replacement bus 45) and bus 55. Trams 5 and 6 will still halt at the Oranjebaan stop, but in this period, the lift at this stop will be out of use.

Any questions?

Please consult our website for more information. You can reach us via www.amstelveenlijn.nl, e-mail us at info@amstelveenlijn.nl or call 020 - 470 4070 (24/7). Or come and talk to us on Wednesday afternoons between 12.00 and 17.00 hours, at the 'Amstelveen InZicht' centre, Stadsplein 103, second floor, above the library. For more information about the trams and buses, see www.gvb.nl/amstelveenlijn and/or check the public transport 'OV-reisplanner', www.9292.nl.

Kind regards,

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This letter has been distributed door-to-door in the areas around the works and can also be read on our website.