

The work

Work will start on Sunday 21 February 2016 to prepare the area for these infrastructure improvements. This preparatory work will take place every Sunday until 17 July 2016 and includes preparing the track and changing signals, as well as setting up a site compound with welfare facilities at the Redbridge Park and Ride which will be used to temporarily store materials needed for the work.

We will create two laydown areas closer to the site on the East side of the railway line. During this time we will also temporarily block up the watercourse to allow us to undertake our work.

Strouds underbridge to the South of Abingdon Road will be rebuilt to allow us to raise the level of the track.

On 30 July 2016 we will temporarily close the railway line between Didcot and Oxford Stations for a period of 16 days. A full rail replacement service will be in operation during this time. For further details please look out for updates from your train operating company.

During the closure we will raise the level of the track and complete the installation of the new culverts under the track. The railway will be reopened on Monday 15 August 2016.

To install the culverts we will excavate through the existing tracks to the correct level, install the prefabricated culverts and replace the track.

We expect to have all work completed by Sunday 25 September 2016.



What can I expect?

In the run-up to and during the TPOD, you can expect to see additional vehicles in the area bringing materials to site.

A traffic management plan will be in place ahead of the work to try to minimise traffic disruption and we will continue working with the local authority to keep traffic moving.

Once we enter the 16 day TPOD, the orange army will work 24/7 to ensure that we are able to reopen the railway on time. The work itself is not overly noisy although due to the nature of the work and the rural location, you may experience some disruption overnight. We will have noise barriers in place to try to reduce any disturbance.

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