



Transport for NSW

Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade

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Planning approval to start work

The NSW Government's vision for Sydney is one of an integrated road and public transport network that gives you the freedom to choose how and when you get around, no matter where you live and work.

The Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade is a major transport infrastructure project that will make it easier, faster and safer to get around Sydney. By creating a western bypass of the Sydney CBD, the Western Harbour Tunnel will take pressure off the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney Harbour Tunnel, Anzac Bridge and Western Distributor corridors to improve transport capacity in and around Sydney Harbour.

The Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project along with Beaches Link, is expected to support around 15,000 full-time equivalent jobs during construction.

We are pleased to announce the Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade has been approved by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.

The project will be constructed and operated in accordance with the Ministers Conditions of Approval. A copy of these conditions can be found on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (DPIE) website:

www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/10451

Additional mitigations proposed as a result of the conditions of approval include:

- Working closely with the Cammeray Golf Club (CGC) to plan for and carry out our work. We are committed to making the changes to the course with as little disruption to the club's operation as possible.
- Providing a new pedestrian and cycle path (active transport link) through the CGC between Ernest Street and Warringah Road/Bells Avenue, Cammeray, before removing the existing path.
- Continuing to work to reduce or offset the permanent loss of residential parking spaces along Alfred Street North.
- Minimising visual impacts and potential light spill from temporary construction sites.
- Minimising impacts to marine environment by offsetting loss of marine vegetation.
- Working closely with local community restoration and rehabilitation groups to reuse suitable timber and plant and tree roots removed for the project during habitat enhancement and/or rehabilitation work.
- Looking for opportunities to protect and or reuse salvaged heritage infrastructure from the former Woodleys Shipyard and BP Sites for potential use during the landscaping of Berrys Bay.
- Working closely with councils and peak stakeholder groups to review active transport infrastructure and deliver improvements if required within 500 metres of the Warringah Freeway corridor component of the project.

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to meet with us and share their views on this city shaping project. Your feedback has been valuable in helping us understand what is important to you, and delivering positive changes to the design.

What happens next

Early work activities are expected to start in the first quarter of 2021. Main construction on the Warringah Freeway is planned to start in late 2021 and the Western Harbour Tunnel in 2022.

Early work will include service and utilities removal and relocations including power, water, sewer, and underground communications. It also includes installation of upgraded power supplies for the temporary construction sites at Cammeray and North Sydney, Waverton, Rozelle and Birchgrove.

We will also be establishing a number of temporary construction sites along the Warringah Freeway. We will provide further information on our early work program shortly.

We will continue to work with you

We will continue to work with the community during the ongoing planning and delivery of the work and provide you with regular updates about our planned activities. We encourage you to get in touch with the team and sign up to receive project updates.

We understand building a project of this scale does not go without impact and will be working closely with our directly impacted residents and businesses.

Managing risks and reducing the impacts to the community is important to us. We will continue to work with you and our key stakeholders to identify and implement measures to reduce these impacts and refine this city shaping project.



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Getting to know our community

As part of our commitment to our community we will be carrying out residential and business surveys to collect information from residents and businesses neighbouring our project. The survey will help us better understand our community so we can continue to look for ways to consider your needs in our planning and to reduce impacts wherever possible.

The project team will be in touch with you shortly.

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