Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link - geotechnical investigations from Wednesday, 11 October 2017

The NSW Government is funding preferred route investigations including geotechnical testing for the Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link.

Roads and Maritime Services carries out geotechnical testing to gather information about underground rock and soil conditions across a broad area. Data from this work will be used to inform the engineering design, final costings and a construction timeline.

A site identified by our geologists for test drilling is Yurulbin Park, Birchgrove. Two sites will be established within the areas shown on the map over the page.

Work at this site will start from Wednesday, 11 October 2017 and will take around fourteen days to complete, depending on ground conditions (weather permitting).

The work will take place between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday. There will be no work at night, on weekends or on public holidays. Temporary work sites with safety fencing will be established to ensure community safety.

Following the geotechnical drilling, groundwater well monitors will be installed and checked monthly for around twelve months. When the monitoring is complete, the holes will be filled in and the test sites restored to their previous condition.

How will the work affect you?

There may be some noise associated with this work. We will minimise disturbance to the local community and operate in an environmentally sensitive and sustainable manner.

The location of these tests does not indicate a possible alignment and the work is designed to gather data about rock strata and conditions deep below ground.

Geotechnical testing involves drilling small diameter holes (about the size of an orange) to extract rock samples used for scientific testing and analysis. Equipment will include a self-propelled drilling rig, support equipment as well as various hand tools.

Contact

If you have any questions please contact our project team on 1800 789 297 during office hours (8.30am to 5pm Monday to Friday) or motorwaydevelopment@rms.nsw.gov.au. Thank you for your patience during this important work.
Work area

Yurulbin Park, Birchgrove – geotechnical work sites

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