

M5 West Widening



DECEMBER 2014

Community update 8

Message from the Project Director

The M5 West Widening project has now entered its final month and work is progressing well towards the scheduled completion date of 24 December 2014.

Work in the median is complete with 22 kilometres of new concrete median barrier installed. Three lanes are now open westbound from King Georges Road, Beverly Hills to Camden Valley Way, Prestons. The three eastbound lanes will be open by 24 December 2014.

In addition to the asphaltting work taking place on the motorway, we have successfully installed 22 permanent electronic variable message signs (VMS) and 51 CCTV cameras. The signs were installed along the motorway and the surrounding road network to give motorists accurate information about traffic conditions, including incidents and special events.

We are very proud of our achievements over the past two years. We would like to say a big thank you to motorists, residents and business owners for their ongoing patience since the project started in August 2012.

Richard Petaccia
Project Director, Lend Lease
M5 West Widening



Three lanes open in each direction near Liverpool



New noise wall panels installed in Prestons

Construction update

The last few months has seen construction activity progressing towards completion along the 22 kilometre length of the project.

Our Motorway Control Centre (MCC) building near the old toll plaza has been completed and electronic and communication equipment is being installed and commissioned.

Our asphalt final wearing surface work is continuing with three full time crews working at night, followed by line marking and signage crews.

Final minor work will be ongoing into the new year for landscaping, sediment basins, noise wall posts and noise wall panels along the length of the project.



Some of the project team working on regenerating the bushland area at Panania North Public School

Community Day

On 18 September 2014, the M5 West Widening project team participated in its third annual Community Day initiative. This day provides an opportunity to give back to the local areas in which we live and work.

This year due to the reduced number of staff members, we organised just one project at Panania North Public School, which is close to the project.

Lend Lease employees from the M5 West Widening project team were proud to offer their help at the school. The team painted a meeting room, delivered and distributed mulch from the M5 West Widening project and planted hundreds of plants for several large garden beds.

We also supplied plantings for a new sensory garden for the students. The plantings included lavender and rosemary, which will help students learn about different types of plants and how they grow.

Members of the project team and subcontractors also laid new turf in a previously disused area, near the playground.



The central garden bed with a variety of new plantings

The team also spent the day tidying up and rejuvenating the bushland area that we created last year.

Community Day is about forging strong community partnerships, applying Lend Lease manpower and skills where they are most needed and supporting local communities.

PROJECT MILESTONES

- Constructing 21 new sediment basins
- Completing over 3,000 new noise wall posts and over 50,000m² of new noise wall panels
- Installation of 22 VMS and 51 CCTV cameras
- Paving over 180,000 tonnes of asphalt
- Placing over 40,000m³ of concrete
- Installing over 800 communication pits
- Commissioning of MCC building and associated motorway control services
- Safely removing the main toll gantry at Hammondville without a full motorway closure
- Installing over 22kms of slipform barrier.



November 2012, early days on the M5 West Widening project, eastbound before The River Road, Revesby



November 2014 near Liverpool, significant progress on the motorway with the project near completion and three lanes open

Finalisation work

While three lanes will be opened to traffic by late December 2014 in both directions, there will still be some minor work the project team will need to complete in the new year. This may include landscaping, noise wall work, finishing work around sediment basins and general remedial work.

After project completion

After the M5 West Widening project is completed by 24 December 2014, the community information line will no longer be active.

For any enquiries relating to the M5 South West Motorway, please call 9825 1000, visit www.m5motorway.com.au or email irpl@interlinkroads.com.au

Temporary VMS testing

Throughout December, we will be testing the newly installed permanent variable message signs (VMS) on local roads and along the motorway, between King Georges Road, Beverly Hills and Camden Valley Way, Prestons.

During this testing phase, motorists will typically see "Test message Type A" or similar, displayed on the VMS boards. We will never display breakdown information or warnings to motorists as part of our testing. If you do see a warning message, this will be accurate.

For the latest traffic information, visit livetraffic.com or call 132 701 for traffic updates.

Additional work hours

In some areas along the motorway, the M5 West Widening project team will revert back to working on a Friday night from 9.30pm – 6am Saturday. This will assist with increased production. We will continue to review the impact of night construction activities on traffic and the community.



Keeping you informed

The M5 West Widening team is committed to keeping you informed and we understand you need relevant and up-to-date information about ongoing work. The community relations team is here to respond to enquiries and provide information. Current work notifications and events are always posted on the project website: www.m5westwidening.com.au and the team can be contacted by:

Landscaping and vegetation

The final landscaping work across the project area is scheduled to be completed by end of December 2014. There may still be some areas that need to be finished after this time. We are progressing well to complete all of the newly landscaped areas along the motorway.

As part of the M5 West Widening project, the approved and estimated endangered ecological communities (EEC) clearing limit for the project was 1.55 hectares in total.

In the early stages of construction, the project team made a commitment to minimise clearing of vegetation. Throughout construction, the project team worked with Roads and Maritime and Interlink Roads to implement minor design changes and refined construction methods to ensure impacts to these endangered ecological communities were kept to a minimum.

As a result, the project impacted less than one hectare of EEC along the 22 kilometre length of the project, over half a hectare below the approved limit.



Reduced clearing for the access track for the sediment basin near Beech Road, Prestons



Translating and Interpreting Service

If you need an interpreter, please call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) on **131 450** and ask them to telephone Roads and Maritime Services on 1800 986 933.

Arabic

إذا كنتم بحاجة إلى مترجم، الرجاء الاتصال بخدمة الترجمة الخطية والشفهية (TIS National) على الرقم **131 450**، والطلب منهم الاتصال بوكالتكم Roads and Maritime Services على الرقم 1800 986 933.

Cantonese

若你需要口譯員，請致電 **131 450** 聯絡翻譯和口譯服務署 (TIS National)，要求他們致電 1800 986 933 聯絡 Roads and Maritime Services。

Mandarin

如果你需要口译员，请致电 **131 450** 联系翻译和口译服务署 (TIS National)，要求他们致电 1800 986 933 联系 Roads and Maritime Services。

Greek

Αν χρειάζεστε διερμηνέα, παρακαλείστε να τηλεφωνήσετε στην Υπηρεσία Μετάφρασης και Διερμηνείας (Εθνική Υπηρεσία TIS) στο **131 450** και ζητήστε να τηλεφωνήσουν Roads and Maritime Services στο 1800 986 933.

Italian

Se desiderate l'assistenza di un interprete, prego telefonare al Servizio Interpreti e Traduttori (TIS National) al **131 450** chiedendo di contattare Roads and Maritime Services al 1800 986 933.

Korean

통역사가 필요하시면 번역통역서비스 (TIS National) 에 **131 450** 으로 연락하여 이들에게 1800 986 933 번으로 Roads and Maritime Services 에 전화하도록 요청하십시오.

Vietnamese

Nếu cần thông ngôn viên, xin quý vị gọi cho Dịch Vụ Thông Phiên Dịch (TIS Toàn Quốc) qua số **131 450** và nhờ họ gọi cho Roads and Maritime Services qua số 1800 986 933.



This paper is • carbon neutral • Australian-made • recycled fibre • elemental chlorine free • pulp derived from sustainably managed sources

© Roads and Maritime Services

Roads and Maritime Services is subject to the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* ("PIIP Act") which requires that we comply with the Information Protection Principles set out in the PIIP Act. All information in correspondence is collected for the sole purpose of delivering this project. Roads and Maritime will only disclose your personal information, without your consent, if authorised by the law. Your personal information will be held by Roads and Maritime at 101 Miller Street North Sydney, NSW 2060. You have the right to access and correct the information if you believe that it is incorrect.