Airport East precinct upgrade – Services relocation work

The Australian and NSW Governments are upgrading roads east of Sydney Airport to improve traffic flow and access to the airport and Port Botany.

As part of the project, we need to relocate various services across the project area, including electricity, gas, water, sewerage and communications. Major service relocation work will take place along Botany Road and Wentworth Avenue. We have included a map to show the location of this work.

This service relocation work will start from Monday 17 April 2017 and will take around 12 weeks to complete, weather permitting.

Upcoming activities will include:

- installing site fencing
- installing traffic controls including signs, temporary traffic barriers and line marking
- modifying pedestrian access with temporary footpath closures
- saw cutting and trenching on footpaths along Botany Road and Wentworth Avenue
- trenching and underboring along Botany Road and under Wentworth Avenue
- investigation and relocation of services including electricity, gas, water, sewerage and communications
- installing pipes, wires and cables
- removing concrete medians and replacing road pavements
- carrying out earthwork and pavement work
- trimming and removing some vegetation and trees
- excavating utility pits
- delivering equipment and materials to the work area.

Construction hours

Standard construction hours for the project will be between 7am and 6pm from Monday to Friday and between 8am and 1pm Saturday, excluding public holidays.

Out of hours work is necessary on this project due to the traffic conditions in the area and the limitations of working next to the Sydney Airport East West runway and the Port Botany Rail Line. Night work will be carried out between 9pm and 5am, up to five nights a week, weather permitting. There will be up to 60 shifts of night work from Monday 17 April until Monday 10 July, weather and construction conditions permitting.

There is a scheduled shutdown of the Port Botany freight rail line from 2am Saturday 22 April to 2am Monday 24 April 2017. During this period we will carry out some minor work at the level crossing on General Holmes Drive.
We will continue to provide the most up to date information about our work schedules in our weekly updates.

A weekly schedule of upcoming work, including night work, is available online and emailed to the project stakeholder list every week. If you would like to receive the weekly schedule, please email the project team at comms.airporteast@jhg.com.au.

How will the work affect you?

There may be some noise, dust, vibration and disruption associated with this work. Machinery and equipment used may include lighting towers, excavators, trucks, light vehicles, plate compactors, jackhammers, concrete saws, concrete equipment and trucks, vacuum trucks, cranes, rollers, compressors and hand tools.

We will make every effort to minimise noise by:

- arranging the work in stages at different locations
- working at night only when necessary
- using flexible noise shields, where possible to reduce noise generated by construction activities.

Lighting towers will be directed away from residential properties at night, wherever possible. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, although minor temporary detours may be in place during the work. We would notify residents about any service interruptions.

Location of work
Traffic changes

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe. Lane closures will be in place and may affect travel times. Traffic controls will be in place at Botany Road, General Holmes Drive, Joyce Drive and Wentworth Avenue. Electronic message signs will also help keep the community informed of any changes to road conditions.

During this work there may be some temporary traffic and access changes to Botany Lane. We will provide further information about any changes in this area as they are confirmed.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our delivery partner John Holland on 1300 862 844 or comms.airporteast@jhg.com.au. For more information on this project, visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/sydneyairport.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.