Western Harbour Tunnel

Temporary construction site: Yurulbin Point, Birchgrove

Western Harbour Tunnel is a major transport infrastructure project that makes it easier, faster and safer to get around Sydney.

As Sydney continues to grow, our transport challenge also increases and congestion impacts our economy.

While the NSW Government actively manages Sydney’s daily traffic demands and major new public transport initiatives are underway, it’s clear that even more must be done.

Western Harbour Tunnel will provide a new motorway tunnel connection across Sydney Harbour between Rozelle and the Warringah Freeway near North Sydney.

It will form a new western bypass of the Sydney CBD, providing an alternative to the heavily congested Sydney Harbour Bridge, Western Distributor and Anzac Bridge.

It will change the way people move around Sydney.

The Warringah Freeway will be upgraded for the new connections and to make important improvements to this busy road corridor.

It will be easier to navigate and there will be a continuous southbound bus lane and new active transport links.

Thanks to this major project, people will spend less time in traffic and have more time for their families and their daily lives.

You can contact us at any time to learn more about the project or to provide your feedback.

Information on the proposed reference design is now available at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/whtbl

The NSW Government has now released the proposed project reference design and there will be extensive community and stakeholder engagement over the coming months.

We now want to hear what you think about the proposed reference design.

Your feedback will help us further refine the design before we seek planning approval.

There will be further extensive community engagement once the Environmental Impact Statement is on public display.
Yurulbin Point, Birchgrove

Temporary tunnelling site to support tunnelling under the Birchgrove peninsula and into the immersed tube transition structure for the Sydney Harbour crossing.

Water-based transport for spoil and equipment will be used to minimise impacts on surrounding local streets.

Key activities
- Entry site for road header machines tunnelling north and south
- Water-based transport of tunnel spoil back to Glebe Island.

Reducing our impact
- Major deliveries and spoil removal via water to avoid impact on surrounding community and local streets in Balmain and Birchgrove
- Yurulbin Point site uses Government land – no private property required
- Use of Yurulbin Point as a temporary site, avoids impact to Birchgrove Oval
- An acoustic shed will be erected to enclose tunnelling works and barge mooring - minimising noise and dust
- No permanent facilities are required at this location
- We are working with the original landscape architect for the site to review proposed temporary impacts and refurbishment concepts
- The layout of the temporary site will be designed to minimise impacts to the park during construction.

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