

WESTCONNEX WEEKLY UPDATE 18.04.19

STAGE 1 - M4 East

Media articles on M4 East delays

7 News has published an article covering the flagging schedule for completion of the M4 East part of the WestConnex Project. The article, "<u>WestConnex M4 East tunnels five months</u> <u>behind schedule</u>" by Sarah Wiedersehn can be viewed on <u>7 News' website</u>.

Additional media articles on unfulfilled conditions of M4 East construction

The Sydney Morning Herald (SMH) has published an op-ed on the impact of WestConnex failing to fulfil its obligations under its Instrument of Approval, as well as an article on the Project's lack of proper cycleway planning (including dangerous crossings). The article, "<u>Stuff the bike riders': WestConnex downgrades bike path to part-time</u>" by Jacob Saulwick and "<u>Broken promise on WestConnex undermines trust in planning</u>" by Editor Lisa Davies can be viewed exclusively on the SMH's website.

STAGE 3 - M4-M5 Link Tunnels

Geotechnical Investigations – Dickson Street, Newtown

The Stage 3A contractor has issued a notice for geotechnical survey works to be undertaken along Dickson Street, Newtown, commencing 24 April 2019. These works are expected to take up to two weeks to complete, weather and conditions permitting. Works will be conducted from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. For further information, see <u>Notification MT084</u> on Local Updates.

STAGE 3B – Rozelle Interchange

Consultation with Stage 3B staff

This week Inner West Council officers met with WestConnex Stage 3B staff to discuss advancing guidelines and strategies for noise/vibration monitoring and mitigation, as well as air quality monitoring. More bulletins as developments warrant.

GENERAL

Interface meeting with Department of Planning & Industry

This week Council has held its monthly Interface meeting with the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&I). Topics of discussion included community construction issues related to all three stages, Council input on various sub-plans that make up the Stage 3B Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and continued NSW Government oversight of WestConnex construction.