STAGE 1 - M4 East

Infrastructure Installation – O’Connor Street & Parramatta Road, Haberfield

From 29 January to 15 February 2019, the Stage 1 contractor will be installing an electrical power pole and overhead connections along O’Connor Street from Parramatta Road. Hours of work are 7am to 6pm weekdays, 8am to 1pm Saturdays, as well as 9pm to 5am Sundays to Fridays. For further details, see Notice 372c on Local Updates.

Construction Update – Parramatta Road civil site, Haberfield & Ashfield

The M4 East contractor has advised that construction works at the Parramatta Road civil site will continue, focusing on road work and footpath restoration. Starting 6 February 2019 and running for the next two months, hours of work will be from 7am to 6pm weekdays, 8am to 1pm Saturdays and 6pm to 5am Monday to Sunday evenings. For further details, see Notice 390c on Local Updates. (Please note that this is a separate notice to the last update, Notice 390b.)

Wattle Street civil site construction to continue, Haberfield

The M4 East contractor has advised that construction works in and near the Wattle Street civil site are entering their final phases. Starting 6 February 2019 and continuing for the next two months, road-finalising works and restoration works will be undertaken. Hours of work will be from 7am to 6pm weekdays, 8am to 1pm Saturdays, and 9pm to 5am Sunday to Friday evenings. For further details, see Notice 385d on Local Updates. (Please note that this is a separate notice to the last update, Notice 385c.)

STAGE 2 – New M5

Night Work: Princes Highway near Campbell Street, St Peters

On select dates beginning 31 January 2019, New M5 workers will be running utility services under Princes Highway where it crosses Campbell Street. Works will occur from 7pm and 5am on the evenings of 31 January and 4, 5, 6 and 8 February. For further details, see Notice 619 on Local Updates.

Night Work and traffic changes on Unwins Bridge Road, St Peters

On February 6th & 7th New M5 workers will running a new Ausgrid power connection along Unwins Bridge Road near Bedwin Road. Works will occur from 6pm to 12am. For further details, see Notice 623 on Local Updates.

STAGE 3A – M4–M5 Link

Environmental Protection Licence (EPL) issued to contractor

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has approved and issued an EPL to the Stage 3A contractor. The EPL authorises the contractor to undertake road construction subject to restrictions and parameters as stated in the document and in applicable law. The EPL is available on Local Updates.

EPL monitoring data for water discharge

The Stage 3A contractor has released a spreadsheet of its monitoring data for water discharge associated with the project from October 2018 to January 2019. The quarter’s report can be found on Local Updates.
Geotechnical investigations – William Street, Leichhardt

The Stage 3A contractor has issued a notice for geotechnical survey works to be undertaken along Barwon Park Road, St Peters, commencing 6 February 2019. These works are expected to take up to four weeks to complete, depending on findings. Works will be conducted from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. For further information, see Notification MT011 on Local Updates.

GENERAL
Response to Council's letter about property pre-condition reports

In November 2018 Council had resolved to write to Roads & Maritime Services (RMS), Sydney Motorway Corporation (SMC) and the Stage 3A contractor to advocate increasing the qualification zone for property pre-condition reports from 50m to 100m. This letter was in response to concerns in the community that the properties outside the currently-defined 50m zone were at risk of damage as a result of WestConnex construction.

In January 2019 Council received a response letter from RMS explaining “that in accordance with the M4-M5 Link Planning Condition of Approval E105, the Stage 3 contractors must offer pre-condition surveys of the current condition of surface and sub-surface structures identified as at risk from settlement or vibration by the geotechnical modelling described in Condition of Approval E101. Generally, these properties will be within 50 metres from the edge of surface or tunnelling construction activities. If the geotechnical modelling identifies properties at risk from settlement or vibration which are further than 50 metres from the edge of surface or tunnelling construction activities, the owner of these properties will be offered a Pre-Construction Condition Survey.

RMS is also establishing an Independent Property Impact Assessment Panel (IPIAP). The Panel will comprise of geotechnical and engineering experts independent of the design and construction team. The Panel will be responsible for independently reviewing Condition Survey Reports undertaken under Conditions of Approval E105 (Pre-Construction) and E106 (Post-Construction), the resolution of property damage disputes, and the establishment of ongoing settlement and vibration monitoring requirements.

Roads and Maritime Services believe the above measures are sufficient to address the risks in relation to tunnel settlement and vibration in respect of property damage.”

Response from RMS to Council’s submission on the Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT) reference design

In November 2018 Council resolved to make a submission on the WHT reference design. The submission was subsequently lodged, and in January 2019 Council received an acknowledgement letter from the RMS’s WHT project director, which thanked Council for the submission and explained that the WHT project team had received more than 7,300 items of feedback during the community feedback period. It explained that Council's feedback will be considered as RMS refines the design and prepares Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for the WHT and Beaches Link projects.