STAGE 1 - M4 East

Temporary Hoarding Removal, Parramatta Road Civil Site, Haberfield-Ashfield

The Stage 1 contractor has posted notification about removing temporary hoarding structures and replacing them with permanent fencing on and around the Parramatta Road Civil Site. This process will begin on 20 February and will continue until 20 March 2019. Work hours will be from 7am to 6pm weekdays and from 8am to 1pm Saturdays. For more information, see Notice N337b on Local Updates.

Tunnel Ventilation, Incident Response & Traffic Management System Integration Protocol posted

The Stage 1 contractor has published its Tunnel Ventilation, Incident Response and Traffic Management System Integration Protocol. This documents the systems and methods in place to deal with emergency situations as well as general traffic flow. The document can be found on Local Updates.

STAGE 3A – M4–M5 Link Tunnels

Start of works – Northcote & Wattle Street civil sites, Haberfield

The Stage 3A contractor has announced that as of 25 February 2019 it will begin readying the Northcote and Wattle Street civil sites as locations for tunnelling works. Works are expected to extend from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 6pm Saturdays, with additional night works described in the notice below. Most work will involve erecting facilities and steel support structures for tunnelling. For further details, see Notice MT067 at Local Updates.

Upcoming night work – Northcote & Wattle Street civil sites, Haberfield

The Stage 3A contractor has announced that night works will be undertaken intermittently from March to May of this year. The two main activities being performed during night-works will be the marking of roads and the delivery of oversized equipment. Night works are from 6pm to 7am on weeknights for no more than two consecutive nights on any given site, no more than three nights per week at any given site and no more than ten nights per calendar month at any given site. For further details, see Notice MT051 at Local Updates.

Environment Protection License (EPL) monitoring data for water discharge released

The Stage 3A contractor has released a spreadsheet of its monitoring data for water discharge associated with the project from October 2018 to February 2019. Note that a previous version of this data was released within the last fortnight covering October 2018 to January 2019. The October to February monitoring data can be found on Local Updates.

Media article about WestConnex tunnel depths

A media article Closer to homes in The Sydney Morning Herald, The Canberra Times, and The Brisbane Times discusses how the currently defined depth of the Stage 3A tunnel is shallower than depths that were shown in the Stage 3 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Geotechnical investigations – Applebee Street, St Peters

The Stage 3A contractor has issued a notice for geotechnical survey works to be undertaken along Applebee Street, St Peters, commencing 27 February 2019. These works are expected to take up to three weeks to complete, depending on findings. Works will be undertaken from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. For further information, see Notification MT021 on Local Updates. Council is liaising with Stage 2 and Stage 3A contractors in an attempt to minimise cumulative impact issues from the two stages of WestConnex in this area.
STAGE 3B – M4–M5 Link Rozelle Interchange
Design investigations & geotechnical surveys, Rozelle Rail Yards (RRY) site

The Stage 3B contractor announced it will be conducting design investigations and geotechnical surveys at various locations across the RRY from 25 February 2019. Works will be undertaken from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm Saturdays. For further information, see Notification N0001 on Local Updates.

GENERAL
Fix NSW rally in Sydney
A ‘Fix NSW’ rally and march across Sydney’s CBD is planned for 1-3pm on Sunday 3 March 2019. Organisers are seeking to draw attention to the issues caused by WestConnex, amongst other issues. For more information see the event’s Facebook page.