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### M4-M5 Link Tunnels

## **Tunnelling update - Annandale**

The M4-M5 Link Tunnels team started tunnelling from the Pyrmont Bridge Road tunnel site in May 2019 and work will continue in the Annandale area throughout May 2020.

#### What we're doing

In **May 2020** excavation of the mainline tunnels will continue north of Parramatta Road toward Annandale Street, Annandale. Excavation of the top of the tunnel (heading) has passed Johnston Street while benching will progress past Trafalgar Street, Annandale.

A map showing the approximate location and progress of tunnelling activity throughout May is provided overleaf.

Tunnelling activities will be undertaken 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The tunnel is being excavated in several stages:

- **Stage 1** excavating the top of the tunnel and cross passages, called the heading, and the installation of support including large steel bolts into the rock and sprayed on concrete
- Stage 2 excavation of the lower half of the tunnel, called benching
- **Stage 3** excavation of drainage channels using sawcutters and jackhammers.

The tunnel is excavated using machines called roadheaders (Stage 1 and 2). After the completion of the benching, drainage channels are dug using a trenching machine and jackhammers (Stage 3).

The excavated dirt and rock, called spoil, will be removed using trucks with trailers from the Pyrmont Bridge Road site. Spoil trucks will enter the site via Parramatta Road and exit via Pyrmont Bridge Road, Camperdown.

#### How this affects you

Each individual's experience of tunnelling may vary due to a range of local conditions and variables. Vibration and noise levels experienced depend on ground conditions, building types, existing background



When Throughout May 2020

Hours of operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### Where

In the vicinity of Johnston Street, Trafalgar Street and Annandale Street, Annandale

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noise levels and the materials used to build your property. It also depends on how far away you are from the tunnel. In some instances, you may experience the following:

- Ground borne noise this is created when vibration from tunnel excavation travels through the ground and causes a building's flat surface to vibrate, occasionally creating an audible 'rumbling' noise
- Vibration at times you may feel some vibration, however, the predicted levels are not high enough to cause damage to the property.

Once the tunnel is complete, you will not hear or feel any vibration from vehicles using the motorway.

To understand the location of the M4-M5 Link Tunnels, or for further information regarding the sequence/ process, please visit the interactive tunnelling tool at <u>https://stage3a.anzgeo.com/</u> or refer to our tunnelling fact sheet, available in the document library on the WestConnex website.

If you have an enquiry or complaint about this work, please contact the M4-M5 Link Tunnels team on toll free 1800 660 248, email <u>info@m4-m5linktunnels.com.au</u> or write to PO Box 63, Mascot, NSW 1460.

## Location and progress of tunnelling activities



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