



Transport for NSW

# Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection

## Project overview

The Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection is an important part of our vision to create an integrated road and public transport network, ensuring Sydney is a well-connected and liveable city for generations to come. This city-shaping motorway project will change the way you travel to and from the Northern Beaches.

Beaches Link will offer new direct connections from the Northern Beaches to Warringah Freeway

and North Sydney, the Inner West (via Western Harbour Tunnel) and Macquarie Park (via the Gore Hill Freeway Connection) linking people with jobs, education and services.

We have designed the project to integrate with the broader public transport network to provide significant travel time savings and reliability benefits.



**More reliable North Shore trips**

**New and improved open space and recreation facilities**



**New public transport travel options**

**Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection Proposed Reference Design**

# Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection benefits at a glance

## Integrated transport

**Beaches Link will significantly improve access to key centres across Sydney including:**

- North Sydney
- Sydney CBD
- Sydney Kingsford Smith Airport
- Southern and south-western Sydney
- Macquarie Park
- Sydney's north-west

**by connecting directly to the Warringah Freeway, the proposed new Western Harbour Tunnel and the Gore Hill Freeway**

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You will experience **faster and more reliable bus trips** on Spit Bridge, Military Road, and Warringah Road

You will see **improvements to pedestrian and cycling routes**, providing you with more transport options

We will be **providing opportunities for new express bus routes** to and from the Northern Beaches via Beaches Link



## Travel time savings

**Beaches Link will provide a safer, faster and more reliable trip as you bypass:**

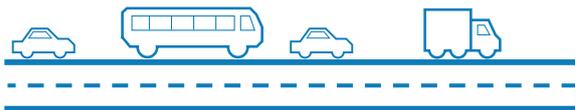
- 19 sets of traffic lights through The Spit, Mosman and Neutral Bay
- 20 sets of traffic lights from Frenchs Forest to Macquarie Park

**By 2037 you will:**

- 🕒 **Save up to 38 minutes**  
Balgowlah to Sydney CBD
- 🕒 **Save up to 56 minutes**  
Dee Why to Sydney Airport
- 🕒 **Save up to 54 minutes**  
Frenchs Forest to Rozelle
- 🕒 **Save up to 32 minutes**  
Manly to Macquarie Park

**By 2037 you will see traffic significantly reduce on:**

- Spit Road **33% less traffic**
- Military Road **10% less traffic**
- Warringah Road **23% less traffic**
- Eastern Valley Way **40% less traffic**
- Mona Vale Road **8% less traffic**



## Improved surface roads

**Moving traffic underground** will improve urban amenity and reduce pressure on our main roads



**You will experience less congestion** on Military Road/Spit Bridge, Warringah Road, Condamine Street and Wakehurst Parkway.



**Reduced rat-run traffic on local roads**

Improved **safety and efficiency on existing roads** with heavy vehicles travelling underground

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## Walking paths, cycleways and fauna crossings

### We are delivering over five kilometres of new pedestrian and cycle pathways

We are providing additional shared cycle and pedestrian pathways as part of the new and improved public open space and recreation facilities at Balgowlah, integrating them into existing paths to nearby schools and shops



**Our new cyclist and pedestrian pathways along and under Wakehurst Parkway will integrate with the Garigal National Park and Manly Dam Reserve trails** and link the new Northern Beaches Hospital precinct with Seaforth



### We are installing new wildlife crossings over and under the widened Wakehurst Parkway

to improve safe crossing for fauna (animals) and provide a safer journey for road users

## Economic benefits

The Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link program is expected to **support up to 15,000 full-time-equivalent jobs during its construction**. We are supporting up to 7,500 full-time-equivalent jobs during the five to six years of construction for Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection



**You will spend less time in stop-start traffic**, meaning you can spend more time doing what you want to do

### Improving the transport network will bring you closer to your jobs

Your local businesses will have more efficient access to Greater Sydney, making it easier to move goods, provide services and access your customers. By using the tunnels you will experience savings in vehicle running costs

## Improved amenity and open space

**We will return an area equivalent to around 90 per cent of the current open space at Balgowlah** to the community as a new and improved public open space and recreation facilities



### We will be seeking your input to design open space areas

The temporary sites we are using at **Flat Rock Drive and Spit West Reserve will also be returned as public open space** in consultation with the local councils and community

Once open to traffic, **some areas will experience less noise** due to reduced traffic on the surface, new noise barriers and at-property noise treatments

Allowing through traffic from Spit Road and Military Road to use the **tunnel will improve the amenity of local town centres** including Mosman, Cremorne and Neutral Bay

## Air quality

**With traffic moving underground there will be an overall improvement to air quality**  
**Our tunnels are designed to ensure:**

- we meet strict in-tunnel air quality requirements
- no emissions from portals
- negligible impact to local air quality

**Less stop-start traffic will result in a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions**





Construction on NorthConnex

## Timing

Subject to planning approval, work is planned to start the Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection by 2023 and be completed by 2027.

Building has different stages and the impact will change depending on the type of work being completed at the time. Timing will vary depending on where you live. Below is an indicative construction timeline (subject to approvals).

### Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection project indicative construction program

Construction activity	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Early work and site establishment	■		■			
Construction of driven tunnels	■					
Immersed tube tunnel construction and installation	■					
Tunnel fitout and finishing		■				
Construction of operational facilities		■				
Surface road work	■					
Testing and commissioning			■			
Site rehabilitation and demobilisation			■			
New and improved open space and recreation facilities at Balgowlah (subject to further consultation)	■					■

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