



Warringah Freeway Upgrade and Western Harbour Tunnel out of hours work activities

Work notification | Out of hours work three month lookahead

January – March 2026



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Country on which Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade are being constructed, including the Gadigal, Cammeraygal, and Wangal peoples, as well as the Aboriginal peoples of Emu Plains, and we pay respect to Elders past and present.

Warringah Freeway Upgrade (W FU)

Thank you for your patience as we delivered major milestones during multiple day and night road closures over the past three months.

In October and November 2025, major northbound and southbound lane closures over a number of weekends enabled the installation of barriers, asphalting and the opening of the new Falcon Street southbound on ramp to general traffic.

Day and night work will continue from early 2026 and major ramp and lane closures will be in place throughout this period including the Alfred Street off ramp (24/7 from 5 January to 25 January 2026), Miller Street off ramp (24/7 from 1 January to 25 January 2026) and full northbound and southbound lane closures (between 26 December 2025 and 25 January 2026). For more details, visit our dedicated portal page at nswroads.work/wfu-summerholidaywork or LiveTraffic.com.

Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT)

Tunnelling in North Sydney and Waverton is progressing well, with tunnelling activities in the Falcon Street off ramp, Berry Street on ramp and mainline tunnels all underway.

To date, we have removed about 1.8 million tonnes of spoil as part of our 24/7 roadheader tunnelling excavation work.

We have excavated more than 6,300 metres of tunnel and in the process, used approximately 61,000 rock bolts (large steel rods for stabilisation) and sprayed about 32,000 cubic metres of shotcrete.



Aerial view looking south across the Warringah Freeway Upgrade and Western Harbour Tunnel projects in November 2025.



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Standard work hours

Our approved standard construction hours are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm on Saturday. Where possible, we will carry out work during the day, however, ongoing work outside of standard construction hours will be needed to maintain safety for road users and workers, and to keep people moving during peak travel times.

Tunnelling will be carried out 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Work outside standard construction hours

Standard out of hours work that impacts residents next to work areas will continue to be carried out for up to three nights per week and up to 10 nights per month, with no more than two consecutive nights of high noise work. There are occasions when we alter this standard sequence and work consecutive days and nights over weekends.

Weekend work takes place from Friday night to Monday morning, and on long weekends from Thursday or Friday night to Monday or Tuesday morning. In this instance, we make productive use of lower traffic volumes in Sydney to set up road closures and complete as much work as we can over the weekend, expediting the overall project work schedule.

We will consult with the community, seek approval from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and notify the community before carrying out weekend or other extended programs of work. Community notifications will provide dates and times of work along with details about the expected impact to you. Please note, this has been done for the Warringah Freeway Upgrade's summer holiday program of work from 26 December 2025 to 25 January 2026.

Why we work outside standard construction hours

We need to work outside standard construction hours to mitigate a range of safety and operational risks, including:

- safety space – to reduce interactions between motorists, pedestrians and workers when we are building over or next to roads and live traffic
- traffic management – when we work next to, over or on existing roads we may need to stop, detour or reduce traffic to one lane
- service and utility disruptions – to minimise disruptions to essential services and utilities for local communities
- oversized deliveries – to allow delivery of oversized machinery or structures that police or other authorities determine require special arrangements to transport along public roads
- some emergency works that immediately impact road safety.

How we manage our work

Our work activities will often require the use of machinery that generates noise, light and vibration.

To minimise the impact of this work we will:

- turn off machinery when not in use
- install hoarding or shade cloth around our temporary construction sites, where possible
- use acoustic blankets to minimise noise, where feasible
- direct temporary lighting down and away from properties
- plan activities that are close to residents during standard construction hours or early evening, where possible
- fit equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly non-tonal reversing beepers
- monitor noise periodically so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust our work as required.

All work will be carried out in line with the projects' environmental approvals.

Managing construction noise

In April 2022, the EPA issued an Environmental Protection Licence (EPL) to the Warringah Freeway Upgrade contractor, CPBDI Joint Venture (CPBDI JV). As identified in the EPL, as well as CPBDI JV's approved Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan and approved Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements (CNVIS), CPBDI JV is required to undertake noise modelling and monitoring when construction activities start. The CNVIS are submitted to the EPA and an independent acoustic advisor. To view these documents, visit nswroads.work/wfuportal.

In May 2023, the EPA issued an EPL to the Western Harbour Tunnel Stage 2 contractor, ACCIONA. As identified in the EPL, as well as ACCIONA's approved Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan and approved CNVIS, ACCIONA is also required to undertake noise modelling and monitoring when construction activities start. The CNVIS are submitted to the EPA and an independent acoustic advisor. To view these documents, visit nswroads.work/whtportal.

Warringah Freeway Upgrade – Extended periods of work in December 2025 and January 2026

With lower than normal traffic volumes on the freeway during the holiday period from 26 December 2025 to 25 January 2026, we will implement multiple temporary lane and ramp closures. When extended duration traffic lane closures are in place, we can safely access work areas that we would not normally have access to for longer periods. This increases our project's efficiency, reducing the overall impact to the community compared to delivering this work during single night lane closures or extended weekend shifts.

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1	Warringah Freeway between Sydney Harbour Bridge, Milsons Point and Ridge Street, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locating services and utilities and inspecting existing infrastructure • sign gantry work, including piling, concreting, steel installation and excavation • installing concrete barriers • line marking • establishing temporary work areas • earth work including installing drainage • asphalting road surfaces <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • constructing new concrete pavement • constructing new stormwater infrastructure • constructing new Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) infrastructure
2	Arthur Street, Pacific Highway, Mount Street, Alfred Street North, High Street, Lavender Street, Whaling Road, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locating services and utilities and surveying • installing concrete safety barriers • line marking • installing signage • establishing temporary work areas • demolishing and reconstructing road pavement and structures • excavation • installing noise wall panels • installing ITS conduits including road crossings <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • landscaping and finishing work asphalting road surfaces • High Street bridge work including demolition, and deck construction • installing drainage pits and pipes • removing and installing street lights and traffic lights • sign gantry work, including piling, concreting, steel installation • realigning Alfred Street North between Mount and High Streets • traffic switch works
3	Alfred Street North between Mount Street bridge and Ridge Street, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • realigning the intersection of Alfred Street off ramp and Mount Street, including changing the location of the Mount Street on ramp • locating services and utilities • removing and relocating services • installing safety barriers • altering existing line marking • establishing temporary work areas • piling • excavating <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • constructing retaining walls and removing existing retaining walls • sign gantry work including piling, concreting, steel installation and excavation • completing new Alfred Street off ramp • installing drainage, pits and pipes • completing Mount Street underpass • constructing new pavement • installing new lift at the Ridge Street shared user bridge • traffic switch work • asphalting
4	Berry Street between Pacific Highway and Arthur Street, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sign gantry work including piling, concreting, steel installation and excavation • demolishing and reconstructing road pavement and structures <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • investigating utilities and services • installing service crossings and in-ground lighting • installing road furniture including traffic barriers and crash cushions • milling and resurfacing the existing road pavement
5	WHT Berry Street construction site and Berry Street on ramp to Warringah Freeway northbound, North Sydney	<p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demolishing site amenities at the WHT Berry Street site (including breaking concrete, removing spoil, and lifting operations) • landscaping and finishing work (excavation, importing and placing subsoil and top soil, and planting) • plant movement and oversized deliveries
6	WFU Ridge Street temporary construction site, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demolishing and reconstructing footpath pavement and structures <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • asphalting road surfaces • bridge finishing work including paving, installing architectural screens and landscaping

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7	Warringah Freeway between Ridge Street and Ernest Street, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> sign gantry work, including piling, concreting, excavating and installing steel <p>Falcon Street southbound bus ramp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> line marking waterproofing and sealing <p>Mainline – southbound outer lanes and northbound lanes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> cutting rock walls trenching and installing utilities and ITS constructing pavement installing finishing work and road furniture traffic switch work demolishing existing bridge abutments asphalting road surfaces line marking constructing new stormwater infrastructure <p>Falcon Street off ramp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> line marking and installing temporary barriers installing drainage constructing retaining walls constructing new pavement constructing new sign gantries traffic switch works asphalting installing new, and modifying existing traffic signs
8	WHT temporary construction site between Ridge Street, Warringah Freeway and St Leonards Park, including the old Falcon Street off ramp and Falcon Street bus only off ramp, North Sydney	<p>WHT (ACCIONA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> deliveries including oversized plant crane operations removing spoil 24/7 tunnelling activities
9	Alfred Street North between Ridge Street and Merlin Street, Neutral Bay	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> locating services and utilities installing drainage pits and pipes sign gantry work including piling, concreting, excavating and installing steel traffic switch work installing ITS infrastructure landscaping excavating and installing new pavements and footpaths realigning traffic on Alfred Street North between Ridge Street and Merlin Street <p>McIntosh Lane:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> rock cutting excavating constructing new retaining walls installing precast concrete elements property adjustment work traffic switch work installing sign gantries installing ITS infrastructure
10	Falcon Street between Moodie Street and Merlin Street, and Merlin Street between Falcon Street and Falcon Street shared user bridge, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> locating services and utilities trimming and removing vegetation constructing temporary and permanent pavements installing concrete safety barriers altering existing line marking installing signage and ITS cabling <p>Falcon Street shared user bridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> sign gantry work including piling, concreting, excavating and installing steel asphalting reinstatement of traffic island
11	Miller Street and Falcon Street intersection, North Sydney	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> locating and relocating services and utilities installing concrete safety barriers altering existing line marking constructing temporary and permanent pavements upgrading traffic signals
12	Ernest Street between Anzac Avenue and Park Avenue, Cammeray	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <p>Ernest Street southbound on ramp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructing pavement installing road furniture switching traffic installing drainage and pavement completing footpaths and finishing work <p>Ernest Street underpass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> formwork and pouring concrete rock-bolting and shotcreting works installing services and lighting completing pavements and line marking <p>Ernest Street northbound off ramp</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> reinstatement of traffic islands asphalting installing lighting constructing barriers <p>Ernest Street between Anzac Avenue and Park Avenue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> gantry removal concreting delivery of oversized materials <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> investigating services and utilities including accessing service pits (involving temporary lane closures on Ernest Street between Anzac Avenue and the Ernest Street bridge)

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13	WHT Ernest Street bridge support site and ventilation outlet temporary construction site	<p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <p>Ventilation outlet site (Warringah Freeway):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deliveries • concrete pours and finishing work • ground support work • crane lifts • scaffolding and other support service work
14	WHT Cammeray temporary construction site	<p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24/7 tunnelling activities • deliveries including oversized plant • steel fixing, scaffolding, formwork and concreting activities to build the concrete ventilation building structure
15	WFU Cammeray temporary construction site	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • installing stormwater drainage • sign gantry work, including piling, concreting, excavating and installing steel • earthworks • constructing pavement • asphalting • line marking • installing ITS and street light conduits
16	Warringah Freeway between Ernest Street and Miller Street, Cammeray including WHT portals	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locating services and utilities • installing concrete safety barriers • altering existing line marking • constructing pavement • trenching and installing cables • installing drainage • piling work • installing gantries • asphalting • rock cutting • rock bolting • installing concrete and steel barriers • ITS, street lighting and sign gantry work • installing precast elements • installing retaining and noise wall • concreting • excavating • landscaping • shotcreting <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deliveries including oversized plant • tunnelling and civil fit out activities • earthwork and import and placement of the various materials comprising the sub-layers of new road pavement construction • installing stormwater and ITS infrastructure • installing streetlighting • installing concrete barriers • spray sealing and asphalting for road pavement construction • concrete road pavement construction • installing structural steel and cladding • crane lifts and concrete pumping • investigating services and utilities including accessing service pits (involving temporary lane closures on Warringah Freeway including the Miller Street off ramp, and on Rosalind Street and Anzac Avenue)
17	Miller Street between Rosalind Street and Amherst Street and Miller Street southbound on ramp	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locating services and utilities • installing and relocating concrete safety barriers • altering existing line marking • trenching and installing cables • installing drainage • constructing noise walls and retaining walls • installing concrete and steel barriers • ITS street light and sign gantry work including piling • maintenance work including tree pruning <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • investigating services and utilities including accessing service pits (involving temporary lane closures on the Miller Street on ramp (and off ramp to/from Warringah Freeway)
18	Warringah Freeway between Miller Street and Willoughby Road, Naremburn	<p>WFU main work (CPB & DTI Joint Venture):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locating services and utilities • inspecting existing infrastructure • trimming vegetation and trees • surveying • demolishing and installing concrete safety barriers • asphalting • excavating • ITS and sign gantry work including piling and lifting structure • removing and installing line marking <p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • concreting, excavating and installing steel structure • shotcreting • trenching and installing cables • installing drainage • constructing pavement • landscaping • constructing noise wall including applying paint and anti-graffiti coating • bridge work including welding and concreting • installing safety screens
19	Berrys Bay foreshore parkland, Waverton	<p>WHT (ACCIONA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deliveries • locating and surveying services and utilities • installing safety barriers

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6	WFU Ridge Street temporary construction site, North Sydney
7	Warringah Freeway between Ridge Street and Ernest Street, North Sydney
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18	Warringah Freeway between Miller Street and Willoughby Road, Naremburn
19	Berrys Bay foreshore parkland, Waverton



A rockbolter in the Waverton substation for Western Harbour Tunnel.

We want to hear from you

We welcome any questions or feedback you have regarding our out of hours work. Use the QR code to complete our survey. Your feedback will help us to identify if there are opportunities to further reduce the impacts of our work.



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