

Warringah Freeway Upgrade

Community Update

November 2022

We are simplifying the Warringah Freeway, making it safer and easier to use, and more efficient and reliable for the benefit of all customers, including public transport users.

The upgrade will also create connections to the new tunnels being built as part of the Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link projects, optimising the operation of the three harbour crossings in the future.

The Warringah Freeway Upgrade is proposing a modification to the approved project to include **an additional construction support site at 160 Wicks Road Macquarie Park**. The modification is on public display for community feedback on the Department of Planning and Environment website until **Tuesday 22 November 2022**.

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Our proposal

The Warringah Freeway Upgrade is proposing a modification to the approved project to include an additional construction support site at 160 Wicks Road, Macquarie Park. The support site is the existing and established Porters Creek Environmental Construction Materials Recycling Facility and will be used as a materials storage and stockpiling location, a car parking employee transfer area for construction personnel and a precast concrete facility to support construction of the Warringah Freeway Upgrade.

In early September, we engaged with the local Macquarie Park community and sought feedback on our proposal.

Feedback received has been considered as part of a modification to the project's planning approval. This modification report is now available on our interactive portal and the Department of Planning and Environment's (DPE) website. DPE has now placed the modification on public exhibition from **Wednesday 9 November until Tuesday 22 November 2022**. During this time, you can make a formal submission to DPE on the proposal. Once the public exhibition period has closed, DPE will provide us with a copy of all the submissions made. We will then prepare a submissions report to respond to the issues raised.



What you told us

We would like to thank all stakeholders and community members who provided feedback on the proposal in September. During the two-week consultation, feedback was received from 16 individuals and one organisation. Key issues raised during the consultation period included:

- light spill
- traffic volumes during operation
- noise from site operations
- air quality (specifically dust)
- soil and water quality impacts
- contamination and waste
- visual impacts
- construction duration

How we're addressing feedback

In response to community feedback we will implement a range of impact mitigations in using the site, including:

- noise barriers
- noise monitoring
- dust control
- traffic management

Other relevant controls in use across the project are specified in the Warringah Freeway Upgrade construction management plans. It is considered that impacts to the nearest residents will not worsen as a result of this proposal.

More information on the proposed use of the site and measures to mitigate any impacts can be found in our August 2022 Fact Sheet.



As is the case across the Warringah Freeway Upgrade project, there will be dedicated points of contact for the community **24 hours a day, seven days a week**



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Benefits of the proposal

Benefits of the use of this site to communities living along the project alignment and the wider community include:

- increases to off-street parking capacity available for construction workers - reducing the impacts on surrounding roads and nearby communities near the project works
- provides an opportunity to minimise out of hours construction noise and air quality impacts near the construction works by redistributing heavy vehicles, offsite materials processing and spoil management
- due to the existing use of the site as the Porters Creek Environmental Construction Materials Recycling Facility, the modification would not result in a substantial change in land use. As such, environmental impacts will be minimal.
- heavy vehicle haulage between this site and the main construction site would mostly occur along major arterial roads, minimising use of local roads during out of hours work at the main construction site. This would minimise traffic and community impacts within and adjacent to construction sites during these times.

In addition, with the implementation of noise barriers, dust control measures, and all other relevant controls, we are confident we can mitigate impacts to nearby residents. 24/7 Community support will provide residents with direct access to the project team in order to manage community concerns where they may arise.

On balance, the site is found to meet the technical, environment, community and traffic requirements of the project with any potential impacts able to be managed efficiently and in a transparent manner by the project team.

Have your say

The proposed modification is currently on display and is available to view on the DPE website.

You are invited to have your say during the exhibition period from **Wednesday 9 November 2022 until Tuesday 22 November 2022**. To have your say online, search for this project at planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects and click on 'Make a submission'.

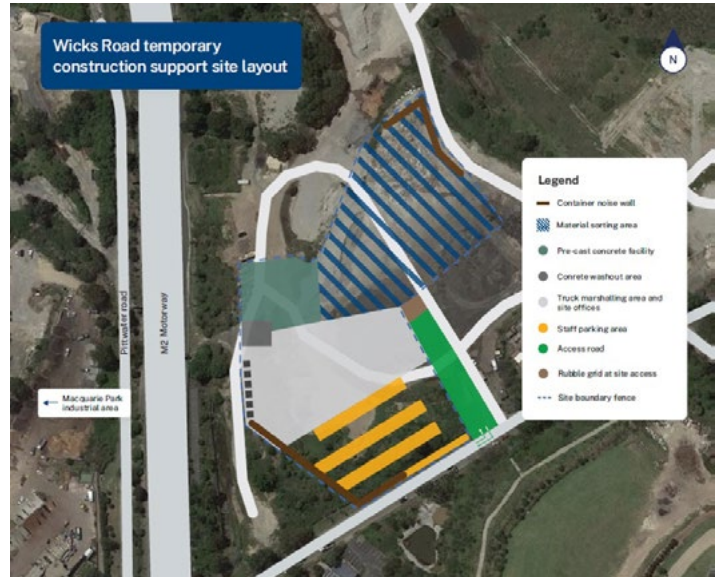
Need more information?

Visit the project's FAQ page at nswroads.work/wfu-faq and click on the Wicks Road modification section to:

- view the modification report
- register to attend the webinar: learn more, ask questions and meet the team at our upcoming community consultation webinar on **Wednesday 16 November from 6pm to 7.30pm**

If you have any questions, please contact our team on **1800 931 189** or by email whtbl@transport.nsw.gov.au

Location



Contact us

If you would like to speak to us about our work, please call us on **1800 931 189**. You can also email us with your questions via whtbl@transport.nsw.gov.au



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