

Meeting Notes

Key Matters Discussed and Presented

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1. Welcome
 - i. Introductions
2. Review previous meeting notes - questions and comments
 - i. Comment was made that parking of NorthConnex vehicles on Eaton Road and Hillside Place had improved after the matter was raised at the May CIG meeting. A CIG Member advised that the number of NorthConnex vehicles parked on these streets is on the rise again.
 - LLBJV advised that roaming surveillance will resume monitoring NorthConnex parking on Eaton Road and Hillside Place.
 - Sometimes, NorthConnex vehicles will park on residential streets for short periods of time. These are for non-permanent on-site workers who travel between sites during the day. These vehicles display permits which allow them to park for a period between two and four hours. Please advise RMS if NorthConnex vehicles not displaying a parking permit are found to be parked on Eaton Road and Hillside Place.

PRESENTATION ON CIG ANNUAL REVIEW

1. Presentation on Annual Review by Independent Chair (IC). Copy of review was emailed to all members of the CIG.
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. The IC encouraged CIG Members to consider the meeting protocols and guidelines in light of the review and propose any necessary changes before the next meeting.
 - ii. A comment was made that the meeting was being held at the IBM Building although the Annual Review found that the Pennant Hills Golf Club was the preferred venue for CIG Members.
 - Future meetings will be held at the IBM Building.

UPDATE ON PROJECT CONSTRUCTION SURFACE WORK – SOUTHERN COMPOUND AND HILLS M2 MOTORWAY

1. Presentation on Project construction surface work – Southern Compound and Hills M2 Motorway by the Construction Director.
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. Is it possible to soften the visual impact of the Southern Compound? Some residents have commented that the Southern Compound is “overly industrial” in appearance.
 - ii. The structures on the Southern Compound are necessary to service the roadwork on Pennant Hills Road. The structures are temporary and will be removed once the project is complete. Very little can be done to soften the visual impact of the structures during construction as the structures will be moved several times to service the project.
 - iii. Is the surface work running on schedule?
 - The surface work is progressing well and on target. Critical milestones will be met in December as anticipated.
 - iv. Where will the westbound traffic on the on-ramp to the M2 go after the traffic switch?
 - The westbound traffic on-ramp will move towards the center of the road and follow a steeper alignment.
 - v. Will there be lane closures around the Southern Compound for upcoming roadworks?
 - The numbers of lanes around the Southern Compound will be reduced during off-peak times but there will be no lane reductions during peak hours. The West Pennant Hills on-ramp will remain open during the roadworks.
 - vi. When will the walking track under Darling Mills Bridge re-open?
 - The track will re-open around September 2017.
 - The IC will communicate updates as made available to him.
 - vii. Will there be any new sections of noise walls on the M2 towards Darling Downs and west of Barclay Road?
 - In addition to the existing noise walls on the M2, there will be a new section of noise wall west of Barclay Road.
 - viii. Will the height of the noise walls be the same height as the existing noise walls?

- The heights of the noise walls are the same height or higher than the existing noise walls. The heights of the noise walls vary from site to site.
- Contact LLBJV for more detailed information for specific locations.

PRESENTATION ON SPOIL HAULAGE

1. Presentation on haulage by Construction Director.
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. How many trucks will use Boundary Road Route to haul spoil out of Wilson Road?
 - Prior to Hornsby Quarry being operational, approximately 10 to 12 spoil trucks per hour will use the Boundary Road Route to access spoil sites to the South. It will also be used to cart spoil when Hornsby Quarry is closed. The use of Boundary Road for spoil movements is not permitted between 12am - 5am. Hornsby Quarry will be open until 6pm during the week and until 1pm on Saturdays. Due to shorter operating hours of Hornsby Quarry, there will be times when spoil needs to travel during peak hour.
 - Hornsby can take up to 35 deliveries per hour from 3 sites (approximately 12 trucks per hour from each site) including Wilson Road. Hornsby Quarry will accept approximately one third of the spoil generated from the Project.
 - ii. Is it possible to negotiate longer access hours for Hornsby Quarry?
 - The operating hours of Hornsby Quarry was determined by the Department of Planning and Environment with a view to balance the interests of all stakeholders including residents.
 - Additional access to Hornsby Quarry to limit trucks carrying spoil during peak hour will be explored.
 - iii. How much spoil will go to Hornsby Quarry?
 - Around 1 million as placed cubic meters of spoil will go to Hornsby Quarry.

UPDATE ON TUNNELING – WILSON ROAD COMPOUND AND SOUTHERN COMPOUND

1. Update on tunneling by Tunnel Construction Director
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. What is the crossover in the diagram of the southern tunnel?
 - It is an emergency turning lane to enable emergency vehicles to turn around and exit the tunnel in an emergency once the tunnel is operational.
 - There are two emergency points in tunnels. One is located at Wilson Road and the other at Trelawney Street.

- ii. Do the concrete trucks go down into the shaft during the tunneling phase?
 - No. The trucks drive into the shed and drop the concrete into a concrete hopper in the shaft. The hopper feeds a mixer at the base of the shaft that continues to mix the concrete. The concrete is decanted as needed.
- iii. What length of tunnel does each delivery of concrete service?
 - Each delivery services approximately 3m of tunnel for the primary shotcrete. Subsequent layers of shotcrete are required to build the thickness to the required profile.

PRESENTATION ON URBAN DESIGN AND LANDSCAPE PLAN

1. Presentation on Urban Design and Landscape Plan by the Design Manager – Surface Works
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. What is going to happen with the Southern Compound when the NorthConnex project is completed?
 - Permanent structures will house the NorthConnex control center and maintenance compound.
 - ii. What will be the height of the ventilation stack on Pennant Hills Road?
 - The ventilation stack will be 25m higher than Pennant Hills Road.
 - iii. What happens to the cycle track at the northern end of the Southern Compound?
 - The cycle track runs along the M2 and ends at Pennant Hills Road.
 - There is no designated cycle path on Pennant Hills Road.
 - iv. Will the noise walls sit right on the boundary of the Southern Interchange or sit back from the boundary? Will the re-planting of vegetation be the same height as the buildings?
 - The noise walls will sit back from the boundary. Trees will be planted to screen the noise walls.
 - Stage 2 of the UDLP will include a detailed re-planting plan. Residents will be invited to provide feedback in 2017.
 - v. Will the headlights of cars and Double-B trucks shine through the transparent screening walls so as to affect the residents of Lisle Court?
 - The screens should block car and truck headlights so as not to affect the residents at Lisle Court.
 - More detailed information will be provided to the CIG Member.

COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

1. Community Communications update by Director of Community and Stakeholder Engagement.
2. Questions and Comments
 - i. It was commented that some residents have mentioned noisy night work including jack hammering along Pennant Hills Road and Eaton Road at night.
 - LLBJV advised that there is work being carried out on Pennant Hills Road and Eaton Road. Some of this work takes place at night due to traffic restrictions. This work will continue on-and-off for the next two years.
 - The project avoids jack hammering near residential areas at night.
 - Another CIG member commented that the local council is undertaking night roadworks. This work is not connected to NorthConnex.
 - ii. How long will the jackhammering continue at the southern side Windsor Road?
 - The work will continue for about three months. Sometimes jack hammering is carried out at night due to traffic restrictions. Respite to residents is provided where ever possible.

OTHER MATTERS RAISED BY CIG MEMBERS

1. Questions and comments
 - i. A CIG Member prepared and distributed a summary of roads that will be used to transport spoil from the tunnels over the next two years. The member collated information available on the NorthConnex website. The CIG Member encourages feedback via email. Please provide any comments via email to the IC.

FUTURE MEETINGS

1. It was decided that 4 meetings would be held quarterly in 2017 in February, May, August and November.
2. One site visit per year provided a good opportunity for CIG members to inspect construction progress. It was decided that the civil site visit would be scheduled for May.
3. CIG Members advised dates they could not attend meetings.
4. Dates for CIG meeting in 2017 will be set and shared with CIG Members this week.

Meeting closed at: 8:33pm

PREVIOUS ACTION PLAN:

Item	Actions Arising	Timeframe
1.	LLBJV to provide update on arrangement for spoil disposal at Hornsby Quarry after commercial arrangements have been made.	Addressed.
2.	LLBJV to provide information on roads that are being monitored. CIG members to advise their opinions as to other roads that would benefit from monitoring.	Addressed.
3.	LLBJV to register IC to receive copies of the construction report. IC will email the construction report to CIG members when made available.	Addressed and continuing.
4.	A presentation about controlled blasting to be delivered at next meeting.	Addressed.

ACTION PLAN ONGOING:

Item	Actions Arising	Timeframe
1.	LLBJV to provide baseline traffic data to the IC for distribution to the CIG Members when available.	When available.
2.	LLBJV will provide information on revegetation and planting along noise walls at the Southern Compound.	When available.
3.	LLBJV will provide a notice of consultation for Stage 2 of the Urban Design and Landscape Plan to the IC for distribution to the CIG.	April 2017.
4.	CIG Members to consider the meeting protocols and guidelines in the light of the review and propose any necessary changes.	Before next meeting
5.	LLBJV will monitor parking on Eaton Road and Hillside Place. CIG members to notify RMS of any vehicles without a parking permit.	On-going.
6.	LLBJV to provide a 6 month look ahead that will identify 10-12 key construction activities that are likely to affect the community.	To be offered at every meeting.
7.	CIG Committee Members to advise IC if there are any key events that they want to be identified or tracked against in the look ahead of impacts.	CIG members to advise IC of any events before each meeting. On-going.
8.	CIG members to advise IC of any events before each meeting.	Prior to next meeting and ongoing.

These minutes were accepted on 9 December 2016



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