Hornsby Quarry
Road Construction Spoil Management project
August 2015

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Key point of this update

NorthConnex is a nine kilometre tunnel that will link the M1 Pacific Motorway at Wahroonga to the Hills M2 Motorway at West Pennant Hills.

Roads and Maritime Services is proposing to handle, manage and beneficially reuse spoil from NorthConnex at Hornsby Quarry.

The Hornsby Quarry Road Construction Spoil Management project is being assessed under Part 5.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and has been declared State Significant Infrastructure.

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) has placed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on public exhibition until 4 September 2015. Written submissions should be sent to DPE during the exhibition period.

Community benefits
• Partially filling the quarry with spoil from NorthConnex would help Hornsby Shire Council rehabilitate the site and provide long-term community benefits.
• While the entire Hornsby Quarry site is zoned for public recreation under the Hornsby Local Environmental Plan, the quarry is closed to the public for safety reasons. Rehabilitation will allow the site to be used to its fullest potential by the community.
**Key features of project**

Reusing spoil from NorthConnex at Hornsby Quarry is an environmentally sustainable use for the spoil. It would also help Hornsby Shire Council with plans to develop the site for public recreation and community benefit.

The project would involve:

- Establishing the site
- Hauling spoil by truck from NorthConnex to Hornsby Quarry
- Stockpiling the spoil in Old Mans Valley
- Placing spoil in the quarry void using a conveyor
- Demobilising and rehabilitating the site.
What is spoil?
Spoil is the term used for material removed from the ground during excavation.

NorthConnex will generate significant quantities of clean spoil during excavation of the twin motorway tunnels. Only naturally occurring rock and soil (including materials such as sandstone, shale and clay) excavated from NorthConnex would be used to partially fill Hornsby Quarry.

Environmental Impact Statement
The EIS identifies and assesses the potential environmental and social impacts of the project and outlines management and mitigation measures.

The EIS is available to view or download from the Roads and Maritime website at rms.nsw.gov.au/hornsbyquarry or the DPE website at majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au

Alternatively you can visit the display locations until 4 September 2015 at:
- Department of Planning and Environment
  23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney
- Roads and Maritime Head Office, North Sydney
  Level 9, 101 Miller Street, North Sydney
- NorthConnex Community Information Centre
  354-356 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills
- Office of Matt Kean, State Member for Hornsby
  Suite 5, The Madison, 25 - 29 Hunter Street, Hornsby
- Office of Alister Henskens, State Member for Ku-ring-gai
  27 Redleaf Avenue, Wahroonga
- Hornsby Shire Council offices
  296 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby
- Hornsby Central Library
  28 - 44 George Street, Hornsby
- Ku-ring-gai Council offices
  818 Pacific Highway, Gordon
- Nature Conservation Council of NSW
  Level 2, 5 Wilson Street, Newtown

Have your say
Roads and Maritime welcomes your feedback on the EIS.

Please lodge your submission with the DPE. DPE requests your submission includes:

- Your name and address. All submissions will be posted on DPE’s website. If you would like to remain anonymous, please state this clearly in your submission. Please be advised you will not receive an acknowledgment letter from Roads and Maritime if you have chosen to remain anonymous. However, you can confirm we received your submission with the DPE.

- Whether you support or object to the project or if you are just providing comment

- Disclosure if you or an associate have made a political donation of $1000 or more during the past two years.

Written submissions must be received during the public exhibition period Wednesday, 5 August to Friday, 4 September 2015.

DPE prefers to receive written submissions online via their website:

![Email icon](email.png)
www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au

If you cannot lodge your submission online you can send it via mail to:

![Email icon](email.png)
Director – Infrastructure Projects
Department of Planning and Environment
Application number SSI 15_7066
Major Projects Assessment
GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Community drop-in sessions
We are holding a number of community drop-in sessions to seek feedback on the EIS and to give the community an opportunity to speak to the project team.

Our project team will be available:

- **Wednesday 12 August 2015**
  6pm to 9pm
  Hornsby RSL
  2 High Street, Hornsby

- **Wednesday 19 August 2015**
  6pm to 9pm
  Hornsby RSL
  2 High Street, Hornsby

- **Saturday 22 August 2015**
  1pm to 4pm
  Hornsby War Memorial Hall
  4 High Street, Hornsby
What happens next?

At the end of the exhibition period, Roads and Maritime will prepare a submissions report to document all issues raised during the formal submissions period and provide responses. The project team will write to all stakeholders who have made a submission.

The NSW Minister for Planning will determine whether to approve the project and any conditions to be applied.

For more information on the project, please contact the project team using the details below or visit our website at rms.nsw.gov.au/hornsbyquarry. We will continue to keep you informed as the project progresses.

Indicative project timeline

- **May 2015**: Introduction of the project
- **Aug/Sep 2015**: Environmental Assessment Report
  - Public exhibition period
- **Sep/Oct 2015**: Submission analysis and reporting
- **Nov 2015**: Project approval target
- **Dec 2015**: Site establishment activities
- **Apr 2016**: Start of spoil haulage and stockpiling
- **Sep 2018**: End of spoil management project

About NorthConnex

NorthConnex is a nine kilometre tunnel that will link the M1 Pacific Motorway at Wahroonga to the Hills M2 Motorway at West Pennant Hills, removing around 5,000 trucks a day from Pennant Hills Road and providing savings of up to 15 minutes in travel time for road users.

For more information on this project contact the project team on 1800 997 057, email enquiries@northconnex.com.au or visit the NorthConnex Community Information Centre at 354-356 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills, open every Tuesday from 9am to noon, Thursday from 9am to 4pm and the last Saturday of each month from 9am to 1pm.

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All information in correspondence is collected for the sole purpose of assisting in the assessment of delivering this project.

The information received, including names and addresses of respondents, may be published in subsequent documents unless a clear indication is given in the correspondence that all or part of that information is not to be published. Otherwise, Roads and Maritime Services will only disclose your personal information, without your consent, if authorised by the law. Your personal information will be held by Roads and Maritime Services at Level 9, 101 Miller Street, North Sydney NSW 2060. You have the right to access and correct the information if you believe that it is incorrect.

Contact us

For more information, please contact the project team on:

- **1800 093 090** (free call)
- **enquiries@hornsbyquarry.com.au**
- **Locked Bag 928, North Sydney NSW 2059**