

## Minutes

### WestConnex M4-M5 Link Tunnels – AQCCC Meeting #4

Date	28/09/2021		
Time	6.00pm – 7.00pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chair	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Attendees	Brian Smyth King Peter Bridge Steve O'Brien Karyn Hemming Alistair Wardrope	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative	Haberfield Haberfield Haberfield St Peters St Peters
	Kendall Banfield	Senior Transport Planner	Inner West Council
	Dr Ian Longley	Independent Air Quality Specialist	NIWA NZ
	Verity Turner Terry Chapman Matthew Callander Karina Wilson Kris Hinks Nicholas Francesconi	Environment and Planning Manager Project Director Fire Life Safety and Integration Community Engagement Advisor Operations and Maintenance Environment and Planning Manager	WestConnex   Transurban WestConnex   Transurban WestConnex   Transurban WestConnex   Transurban Transurban WestConnex   Transurban
	David Kelly	Senior Environment Officer	Transport for NSW
	Stuart Clark	Senior Operations Office	EPA (observer)
	Rob Sherry	Team Leader, Compliance	DPIE (observer)
	Alex Holloway Ash Jalili	Building Delivery Manager – SPI M&E M&E Engineering Manager	ASBJV (Contractor) ASBJV (Contractor)
Apologies	Peter Redwin	Head of Operations and Maintenance	WestConnex   Transurban

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<p><b>1.0 Welcome</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed participants and noted that there was a ‘full house’, with all community representatives as well as project team and Agency representatives, and independent advisors, present.</p> <p><b>Actions from previous meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presentation on the integrity of benchmark data:</b> Ilan Longley provided slides and a presentation regarding the integrity of benchmark data, noting that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bushfire smoke is easily identified and can be removed from the data</li> <li>○ The impact of Covid can be assessed based on reduction in traffic volumes.</li> <li>○ Existing data is high quality and extensive in its coverage.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Participants queried whether wind direction impacted on data coverage. Ilan advised that while wind direction did affect short term data collection, this was negated over the medium- and long-term.</p> <p>Participants observed that data indicated peaks in mid-winter and troughs in mid-summer. Ilan confirmed that this is a typical seasonal pattern and would most likely be apparent year-on-year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How exceedance reporting is undertaken:</b> Kris Hinks provided examples of investigating and reporting on a ventilation exceedance. The Chair observed that this was equivalent to a case study of how the Draft Ambient Air Quality Goal Protocol would work, which Kris agreed was the case.</li> </ul> <p>Participants queried whether the process would be independently audited. Kris advised that independent auditing would take place every 6 months once the project was operational, and also noted that there would be public disclosure of any exceedances as well as initial and final reports on any exceedances published on the project website. Kris also confirmed that real time data would also be available.</p> <p>Rob Sherry from the DPIE Compliance team noted that the AQCCC were required to be presented with reports by the independent auditors. Kris confirmed this to be the case and advised that these reports would be sent to the Chair, who would transmit them to AQCCC participants.</p> <p>Verity offered to provide a link to the project websites, these being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M4 link - <a href="https://www.linkt.com.au/using-toll-roads/about-sydney-toll-roads/westconnex-m4/tunnel-air-quality/sydney">https://www.linkt.com.au/using-toll-roads/about-sydney-toll-roads/westconnex-m4/tunnel-air-quality/sydney</a></li> <li>• M8 link - <a href="https://www.linkt.com.au/using-toll-roads/about-sydney-toll-roads/westconnex-m8/tunnel-air-quality/sydney">https://www.linkt.com.au/using-toll-roads/about-sydney-toll-roads/westconnex-m8/tunnel-air-quality/sydney</a></li> </ul> <p>There were no further actions from the previous meeting.</p>	<p>Links to websites provided as left.</p>
<p><b>2.0 Project update</b></p> <p>A project update was provided by Terry Chapman, who noted that tunnelling heading is 97% complete, while benching is 93% complete and paving is 68% complete. Mechanical and electrical fit-out is progressing well and approximately 32% complete.</p>	

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<p><b>3.0 Overview of air quality complaints received</b></p> <p>Karina Wilson advised that no operational complaints regarding air quality had been received during the reporting period.</p> <p>Karina also provided an update on the artwork that has been designed for the Campbell Road Ventilation Facility by local aboriginal artist, Aunty Esme Timbery and her daughter, Marylin Russell. Participants noted the positive impact of the artwork and requested PDF's of the façade design.</p>	<p>PDF's of artwork for the Campbell Road Ventilation Facility to be provided.</p>
<p><b>4.0 Community items:</b></p> <p>No supplementary items in addition to those already on the Agenda were noted, and community representatives advised that they were satisfied with the AQCCC meetings at this stage.</p>	
<p><b>5.0 Presentation on the Draft Ambient Air Quality Goal Protocol</b></p> <p>Participants were provided with the draft document for review two weeks prior to the meeting. Kris Hinks noted that the protocol was based on the approved protocol for the M4 East project, and that the protocol was specific as to which groups and Agencies were required to be notified should any exceedances occur, and when that notification was required to take place.</p> <p>Participants observed that although the protocol was technical in nature, it was also clear and relatively easy to understand. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Condition E10 is to be included in the Table 2.1 Conditions of Approval</li> <li>• A typo on Pg 10 requires correction</li> <li>• There appears to be a dependency on a single person for notification and it should be clarified that individuals are backed up by their organisations.</li> </ul> <p>The project team thanked participants for their commentary and noted that the protocol would be finalised on the basis of these inputs, edits and general consultation with the AQCCC.</p>	<p>Draft document to be finalised on the basis of AQCCC consultation.</p>
<p><b>6.0 Administrative items</b></p> <p>Verity noted that while four meetings of the AQCCC were required per year, a fifth and final meeting for the year would be appreciated in November as there would be a gap after that due to summer holidays.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dates to be circulated for a fifth meeting in November.</li> </ul> <p>Verity advised that upcoming Conditions to be addressed by the AQCCC related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Operational Environmental Management Plan as it relates to air quality</li> <li>• Independent Auditors to be appointed to the project.</li> </ul> <p>It is not known whether these matters will be able to be put forward to the AQCCC in November or the new year, however documentation required for review will be provided 1 – 2 weeks prior to any meeting.</p> <p>Nicholas Francesconi was introduced as the replacement for Verity Turner, who will be taking maternity leave.</p>	<p>Dates to be circulated for a fifth meeting in November.</p> <p>Reports for review to be provided to members 1 – 2 weeks prior to any meeting.</p>

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7.0	<p><b>Questions</b></p> <p>Verity advised by way of update that the Rozelle Interchange AQCCC would be commencing meeting in October. The Chair noted that she would be chairing this AQCCC for consistency and as there was a possibility that the two AQCCC's may be merged at some stage in the future once both projects were operational.</p> <p>There were no further questions. The Chair thanked participants for their inputs, interest and involvement.</p>	
	The meeting closed at 7:00pm	