

Birchgrove Wharf upgrade

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

August 2017

The upgrade of the wharf at Birchgrove would take about five months to complete, weather and maritime conditions permitting. Construction is expected to start in the last quarter of 2017 following careful consideration of all feedback received and approval of the final plans.

Construction process

Work would include:

- ▶ site establishment – installing fencing, site hoarding and site sheds.
- ▶ installation of steel piles
- ▶ installation of bridge, gangway and pontoon
- ▶ some maintenance and repairs on the existing waiting area
- ▶ new wharf fit out
- ▶ installation of new seating and customer information on the pontoon
- ▶ installation of wayfinding signage.

Most of the new structures including sections of the wharf would be built off site and transported to the site for installation.

Construction workers and equipment would usually be transported to and from the site by water.

Work hours and noise

Standard work hours would be between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday and between 8am and 1pm on Saturdays. Some of the work during these times would be noisy. No work is planned on Sundays or public holidays.

Early morning or night work would be required when the water is at its calmest as some work requires very still water for safety and accuracy.

This includes the installation of piles and lifting and securing sections of the wharf in place. Installation of piles would be noisy however, this work is intermittent.

ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT DURING CONSTRUCTION

Birchgrove Wharf would be closed during the wharf upgrade. Customers would be able to catch the 441 bus service, operating between Grove Street Birchgrove and the QVB, to the city or to connect with other bus services on Victoria Road. The temporary closure of Birchgrove Wharf would not affect the timetable for ferry services to other wharves.

You would be able to plan your trip by visiting transportnsw.info or calling Transport Info on 131 500. Customers would need to allow extra time for their journey.

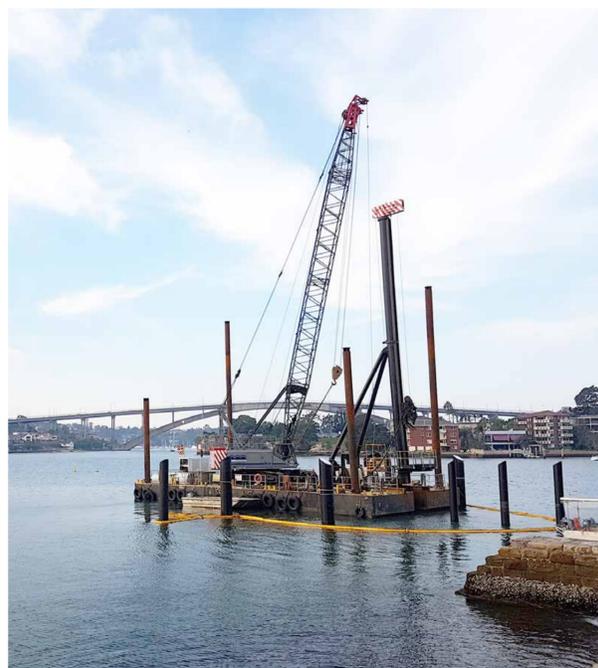
We would notify nearby residents before any work is carried out outside of standard hours.

Site compound

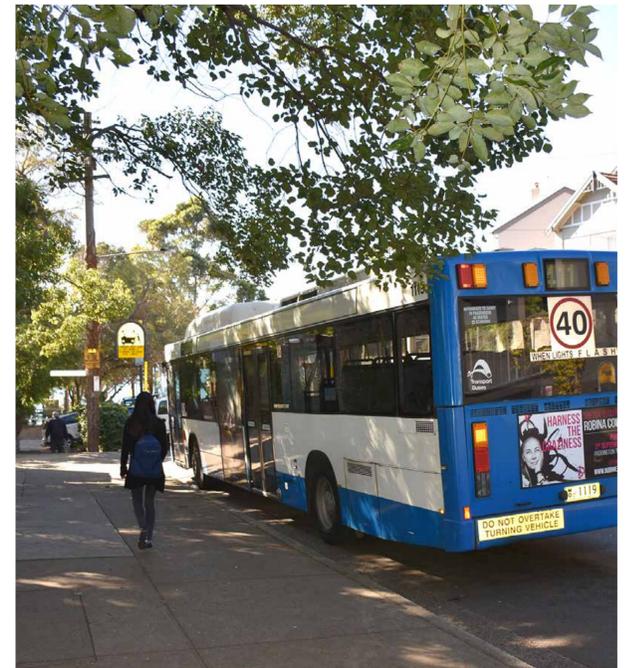
A temporary construction site compound would be established for the duration of the project. The location would be identified and agreed with Council before construction starts. The area would be fenced off and restricted to authorised personnel and visitors.



Small work boats tethered to a pontoon



Barge-mounted crane at Chiswick



Bus stop on Grove Street