

Work is progressing to extend the M4 Motorway from Homebush Bay Drive, Homebush, to City West Link / Parramatta Road, Haberfield.

Part of this work includes the acquisition of properties along the M4 East corridor.

The alignment of the motorway is designed to minimise the number of properties needed and reduce the impact on local communities.

Which properties are needed to build the M4 East?

While the Motorway has been designed to limit the impact on the community, some properties are needed in locations where the tunnel comes to the surface and for construction of the Motorway at Homebush, Concord, Haberfield and Ashfield.

What is the role of Roads and Maritime Services in the property acquisition process?

Roads and Maritime Services is the government body responsible for providing a safe and efficient road network in NSW and is managing the acquisition process on behalf of WestConnex.

More information about the Roads and Maritime Services property acquisition process is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website at <http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/projects/factsheet-property-acquisition.pdf>

How will I know if my property will be acquired?

Roads and Maritime Services has been notifying individual residential and commercial property owners in writing.

Property owners with enquiries are encouraged to call our info line on 1300 660 248 to discuss their individual circumstances.

How will property owners be compensated?

Property owners will be compensated and paid market value for their property through the processes set out in the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

Owners may also be eligible for other payments such as:

- legal costs (including conveyancing)
- valuation fees
- relocation expenses (including stamp duty costs in connection with the purchase of another property of equal value)
- mortgage re-establishment costs and other payments.

If I haven't been contacted, does this mean my property won't be needed?

If you haven't been contacted, it is unlikely your property will be acquired, however, final numbers will be determined through the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and approvals process. The community will have the opportunity to comment on the EIS as part of the Department of Planning and Environment process.

I have received a letter from Roads and Maritime Services talking about a 21 day notice. What does this mean?

To inform owners prior to the commencement of a compulsory acquisition process, Roads and Maritime Services sends property owners a letter to assist their understanding of the steps involved in the acquisition of their property.

The letter will state that after 21 days, Roads and Maritime Services will send the owner a Proposed Acquisition Notice stating its intention to acquire the land by compulsory process unless a formal agreement, being usually an exchange of contracts, between the owner and Roads and Maritime Services, has occurred before the end of the Proposed Acquisition Notice period. If an agreement is not reached during the Proposed Acquisition Notice period, the compulsory acquisition of the property is published in the Government Gazette and the owner is entitled to compensation as determined by the Valuer General.



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Further detailed information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services acquisition process, including compulsory acquisition, in the Roads and Maritime Services Land Acquisition Information Guide which is available on their website, or by calling the Acquisition Officer nominated in Roads and Maritime Services correspondence to the owner.

Roads and Maritime Services strong preference is to negotiate an agreement with the owner during the Proposed Acquisition Notice period.

What happens if I don't want to sell my property?

Roads and Maritime Services will work with property owners as a priority to carry out acquisition by agreement, through negotiation under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

In cases where this is not possible, the compulsory acquisition process will be initiated. Negotiations will continue in parallel with the compulsory acquisition process.

When will I be expected to vacate my property?

The date that impacted property owners are expected to vacate their properties varies. Roads and Maritime Services will discuss with each property owner when they will need to relocate from their existing property.

What about properties that are not being acquired but may still be impacted by works?

WestConnex will work with residents whose properties are not being acquired to minimise any impact on their properties through measures such as road design, noise walls, architectural treatments and landscaping.

Will WestConnex provide support services during this time?

WestConnex is actively working to support people during the property acquisition process. To find out more about these support services, please call the information line on 1300 660 248.

WestConnex Assist counselling service

WestConnex Assist provides support to people in a range of situations, including during property acquisition, to help manage change and other challenges. Contact 1300 687 327 to arrange a confidential and free appointment.

WestConnex information line

Property owners with specific enquiries are encouraged to contact their nominated Acquisition Officer or call the WestConnex info line on 1300 660 248 with general enquiries.



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