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OPENING OF M8 PROJECT IN SYDNEY

Transurban announces that it opened the M8 (formerly known as the New M5) and commenced tolling on the M5 East on 5 July 2020. The M8's twin 9-kilometre tunnels will help relieve traffic on the M5 East, one of the most congested motorway corridors in Sydney.

The opening of the M8 is also an important milestone in the WestConnex project (see Appendix 1 for further details). When complete, WestConnex will provide motorists with a traffic-light free, 33-kilometre motorway network.

Transurban CEO Scott Charlton said the WestConnex project was city-shaping infrastructure.

“This is a vital upgrade for Sydney’s south-west corridor that gives motorists an option to save up to 30 minutes on a trip from Liverpool to the southern CBD.”

“It brings us one important step closer to delivering the WestConnex project which is easing congestion, creating tens of thousands of jobs and connecting communities across Sydney,” he said.

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This announcement is authorised by Transurban CEO, Scott Charlton.

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Appendix 1:

WestConnex project benefits

- Providing motorists with a 33-kilometre, traffic-light free motorway network, linking the west and south west of Sydney, as well as Sydney Airport, Port Botany, the Anzac Bridge and the future Western Harbour Tunnel and M6 to Southern Sydney.
- More than 33,000 people have worked on WestConnex projects to date, along with hundreds of apprentices, helping to upskill the next generation of workers.
- Providing more green space than any other urban road project in Australia, up to 18 hectares of open space and around 23-kilometres of new and improved cycle-ways and walkways.

WestConnex project details

	Current WestConnex assets			Future WestConnex assets		
Overview	M4	M8	M5 EAST	M4-M5 LINK	ROZELLE INTERCHANGE ¹	M5 WEST ²
Opening date	May 1992	July 2020	Dec 2001	2023	2024	Aug 1992
Concession end date	Dec 2060	Dec 2060	Dec 2060	Dec 2060	Dec 2060	Dec 2060
Physical details						
Length—total	14 km	11 km	10 km	7.5 km	5 km	22 km
Length—surface	8.5 km	2 km	5.5 km	-	-	22 km
Length—tunnel	5.5 km	9 km	4.5 km	7.5 km	5 km	-
Lanes	2x4 (west) 2x3 (east)	2x2 ³	2x2	2x4	n/a	2x3
Ownership						
Transurban	25.5%	25.5%	25.5%	25.5%	25.5%	100%
Tolling						
Large vehicle multiplier	3x	3x	3x	3x	3x	3x

¹ Rozelle Interchange is being delivered and funded by Transport for NSW. Rozelle Interchange is a complex design consisting predominantly of ramps, with the length of lane kilometres approximately equivalent to a 5km motorway with two lanes in each direction.

² Transurban currently owns 100% of M5 West, when the current concession expires in December 2026 the M5 West will form part of the WestConnex M5 concession through to December 2060.

³ Marked for two lanes in each direction but built to accommodate three lanes in each direction from Kingsgrove to Arncliffe and five lanes in each direction from Arncliffe to St Peters.

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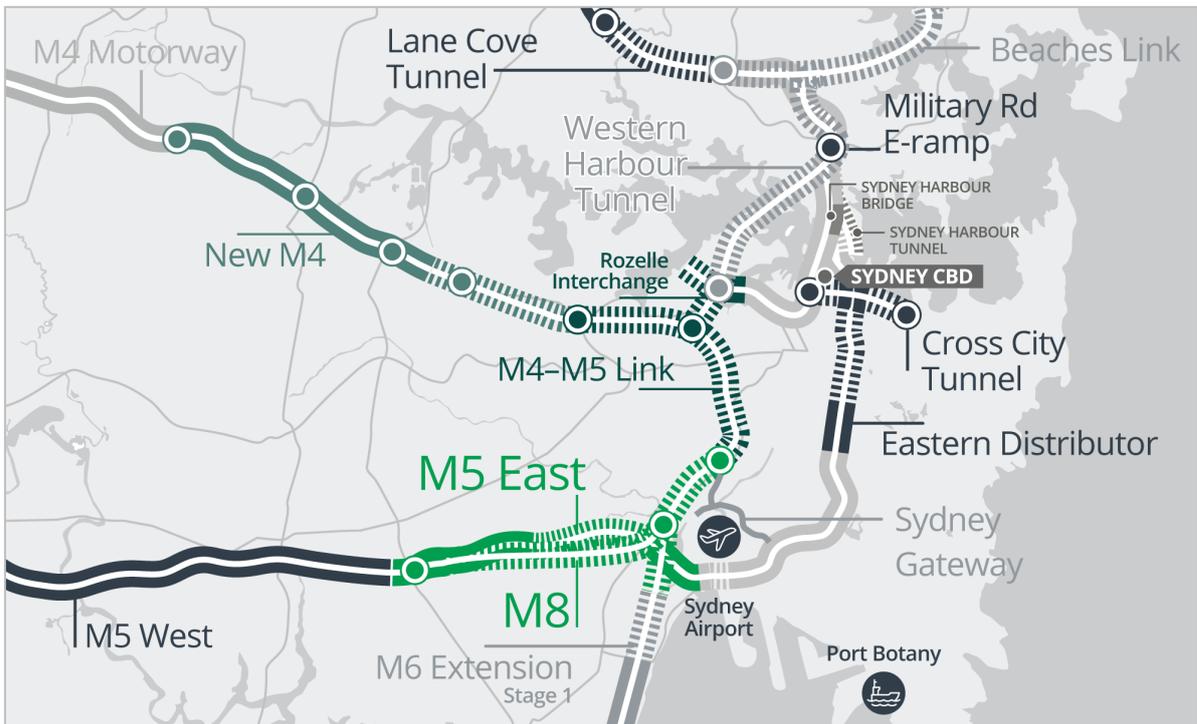
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Linkt

Transurban’s customer brand Linkt is the preferred retailer for motorists across all WestConnex roads. With over 5.5 million Australian customers, Linkt offers a range of benefits including lower account fees, flexible payment options, easier ways to manage accounts online and customer rewards. Linkt customers experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19 can also access up to three months of toll credit by contacting Linkt Assist at www.linkt.com.au/assist

Westconnex project map



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- Freeway/motorway
- Tunnel
- Arterial
- Interchange

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