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### **OPENING OF NORTHCONNEX PROJECT IN SYDNEY**

Transurban announces that it opened NorthConnex on 31 October 2020. The 9-kilometre twin NorthConnex tunnels connect the M1 Pacific Motorway and the Hills M2 Motorway in Sydney's north suburbs, providing a critical missing link in the Sydney orbital network and national transport route.

NorthConnex will improve travel times and productivity for both commuters and freight transport and allow a traffic-light free trip from Newcastle to Melbourne (see Appendix 1 for further details).

Transurban CEO Scott Charlton said that with the opening of the NorthConnex project the business had opened almost 47 kilometres of underground motorways in just over a year in Sydney.

"Transport infrastructure continues to play a pivotal role in supporting liveability in Sydney, and projects like this one are creating jobs and generating growth."

"NorthConnex is an important link in the Sydney network and the delivery of this project will increase the efficiency of freight moving around the city, while returning local streets to communities," he said.

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This announcement is authorised by Transurban CEO, Scott Charlton.

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# Appendix 1:

#### NorthConnex project benefits

- Providing motorists with an option to experience up to 15 minute travel-time savings by avoiding 21 sets of traffic lights, improving reliability and the efficient movement of state and national freight
- Returning local streets to communities and delivering improvements to local air quality by redirecting around 5,000 trucks and buses daily from Pennant Hills Road
- Creating over four kilometres of new and improved pathways for cyclists, including a new elevated cycleway along the M2
- Providing work for 17,000 people through delivery, and creating training opportunities for the existing workforce, young people, disadvantaged and under-represented groups
- Rejuvenating the site of the old Hornsby Quarry allowing the Hornsby Shire Council to create recreational parkland for the community to enjoy for generations to come
- Sustainable design follows the alignment of Pennant Hills Road, without the sharp corners and hills, maximising efficiency for motorists and reducing vehicle emissions
- Innovative lighting displays to keep motorists alert and focused, utilising environmentally efficient, LED lighting

## Linkt

Transurban's customer brand Linkt is the preferred retailer for motorists on NorthConnex. 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 financial difficulties as a result of COVID-19 may be eligible for up to three months of toll credit by contacting Linkt Assist at <a href="http://www.linkt.com.au/assist">www.linkt.com.au/assist</a>



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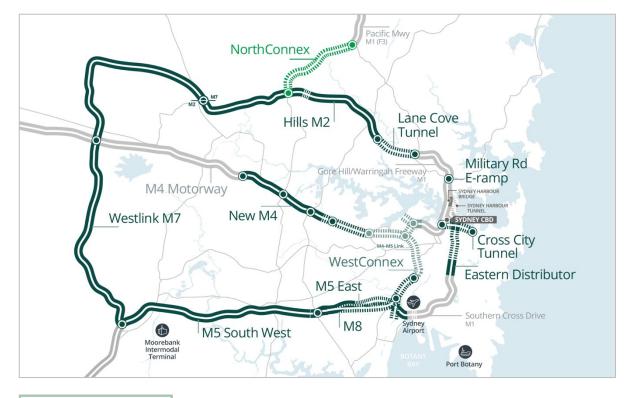
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# NorthConnex project map



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