# **Powering Sydney's Future**

POTTS HILL TO ALEXANDRIA TRANSMISSION CABLE PROJECT

# COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

# Trenching work on May Street and Princes Highway, St Peters

TransGrid is installing a new underground electricity cable from Potts Hill to Alexandria. The Powering Sydney's Future project will help ensure a safe, reliable and affordable electricity supply for Sydney's CBD and surrounding areas. You can view a map of the cable route at <u>www.transgrid.com.au/psf</u>.

We wrote to you and your neighbours in March 2021 seeking feedback on proposed night work in your area. Thank you for this feedback that helped guide planning of the proposed work schedule in consultation with road authorities. Our planning has considered the needs of residents, businesses and road users while aiming to complete the work as quickly as possible.

This letter is to advise you of the planned work and working hours for May Street and the Princes Highway.

# **Updated working hours**

Following our consultation, road authorities have granted us special access to work day and night on May Street (instead of night only as we proposed in our letter in March). This will enable work to be completed faster than originally expected. It also means that we can schedule noisier work, such as saw cutting, during the day where possible.

## Work on May Street and Princes Highway

Trenching work on May Street and Princes Highway will start from **Monday 17 May.** The work will involve digging a trench about two metres wide using a road saw, rock hammer and an excavator, and installing conduits (pipes) in the trench.

- May Street working hours are Sunday 6pm through to Friday 6pm (on a 24hr day and night basis), and 8am to 6pm Saturday. The work is expected to take up to five weeks to complete, with progress estimated at 30-40 metres for every 24 hours of work.
- Princes Highway working hours are five nights each week, Sunday night to Thursday night, from 6pm to 6am. This work is expected to take up to three weeks to complete (weather and ground conditions permitting) and needs to be done at night to avoid high day time traffic volumes.

## **Work activities**

- > Delivering plant and equipment to site.
- > Trimming trees to create a safe distance from plant and equipment (directed by a trained arborist).
- > Cutting the road surface with a concrete saw.
- > Digging a trench about two metres wide using an excavator.
- > Excavating and installing ancillary pits in the road, footpath or grass verge.
- > Installing conduits (pipes).
- > Using a pump/vacuum truck as required.
- > Backfilling the trench and covering it with steel plates.

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> Temporarily restoring the road surface to allow normal traffic flow, and the footpath and grass verge as required.

#### Register for local progress updates

Are you interested in email progress updates about work on Princes Highway and May Street? To register email psf@transgrid.com.au with 'Email update' as the subject and include your name and street address.

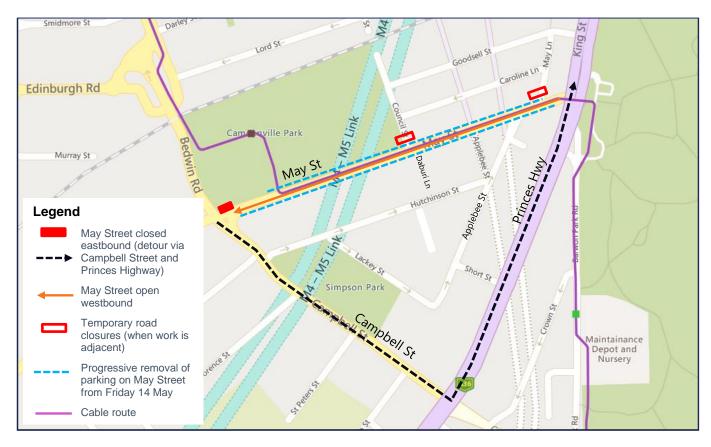


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# How will the work affect you?

- Street parking on May Street will be removed in sections as the work progresses. Parking restrictions will be in place from Friday 14 May.
- May Street will be closed to all eastbound traffic from Monday 17 May. Eastbound traffic will be detoured via Campbell Street and Princes Highway as shown on the map below. Traffic controllers will start the set-up from 3am on Monday 17 May.
- > Westbound traffic on May Street will be maintained. **Council Street** and **May Lane** will be closed when the crew is working at the intersection with May Street. Traffic control will be in place to assist residents with alternative access.
- > During night work on Princes Highway, two-way traffic will be maintained on Princes Highway. At times, May Street will be closed at the intersection of Princes Highway but traffic control will be in place to assist residents to access May Street.
- > The work will be noisy at times, but there are a number of ways we will be working to minimise disruption:
  - High noise activities, such as concrete sawing and rock hammering, will be completed before **midnight** where possible. Please note that an excavator will be operating on site overnight.
  - We have scheduled less noisy work, such as installing conduits in the trench, during night shifts.
  - Noise monitoring will be done regularly during the work.
- > A temporary loading zone will be created for May Street businesses. The loading zone will move along May Street as the work progresses. We will continue to keep businesses informed regarding the loading zone.
- > Road users may experience temporary delays to access local properties.
- > An alternative route will be provided wherever any diversions or closures of pedestrian are required.
- > If we anticipate that your driveway access may be disrupted, we will inform you in advance and discuss arrangements.



# Traffic changes and parking restrictions on May Street and Princes Highway

# What's next

When trenching is finished, we will temporarily restore the road surface to allow normal traffic flow, and restore the footpath and grass verge as required.

The next stage of work will involve installing two joint bays in Camdenville Park. Once the joint bays have been installed, we will install cables and join sections of cable together. There will also be some work in the Sydney Park car park (off Princes Highway and Barwon Park Road) to assist with feeding the cables through the soon to be installed conduits. We will keep you advised of these activities.

Once all work is complete in the area and the cable is installed and tested, we will permanently restore the road surface.

#### **Contact us**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Powering Sydney's Future project team on 1800 955 588, or at <u>psf@transgrid.com.au</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **COVID-19 Safety protocols**

The health and safety of our people, customers and the community and ensuring a reliable supply of electricity to NSW and the ACT are our highest priorities during the COVID-19 crisis.

TransGrid and our contractors, as a minimum, adhere to the recommendations of SafeWork NSW along with the advice of other state and federal authorities to effectively manage the risk of COVID-19 to workers and others in the work environment. This involves maintaining effective controls including social distancing, stringent hygiene and specific work planning and access protocols at our work sites.



For an interpreter please call **131 450** and ask them to call TransGrid on **1800 955 588**. The interpreter will then assist you with translation.