



New South Wales

Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection) Order 2021

under the

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

I, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, make the following Order under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, sections 5.12(4) and 5.13.

Dated 2nd December 2021.

ROB STOKES, MP
Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

Explanatory note

The object of this Order is to declare certain development for the purposes of the Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection project to be State significant infrastructure and critical State significant infrastructure. The relevant development involves the construction and operation of twin motorway tunnels and connections to existing roads, the upgrade of existing road infrastructure and ancillary development.

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1 Name of Order

This Order is the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection) Order 2021*.

2 Commencement

This Order commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

Schedule 1 Amendment of State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011

Schedule 5 Critical State significant infrastructure

Insert at the end of the Schedule, with appropriate clause numbering—

Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection project

- (1) Development for the purposes of the Beaches Link and Gore Hill Freeway Connection project, being the construction and operation of new road infrastructure, the upgrade of existing roads and ancillary development.
- (2) The development includes the following—
 - (a) construction and operation of twin motorway tunnels (the *Beaches Link tunnels*) connecting the Warringah Freeway and the Western Harbour Tunnel at Cammeray and the Gore Hill Freeway at Artarmon to the Burnt Bridge Creek Deviation at Balgowlah and the Wakehurst Parkway at Killarney Heights,
 - (b) upgrade of the Wakehurst Parkway to 2 lanes in each direction between the tunnel portals at Killarney Heights and the intersection with Warringah Road at Frenchs Forest,
 - (c) construction of an access road connection between the Burnt Bridge Creek Deviation and Sydney Road at Balgowlah,
 - (d) associated works to connect the Beaches Link tunnels with the Gore Hill Freeway and the Lane Cove Tunnel at Artarmon,
 - (e) associated works to upgrade and connect the surrounding road network, bridges, ramps, footpaths and shared cycle and pedestrian pathways,
 - (f) ancillary development, including construction compounds, utilities infrastructure, drainage and treatment works, electronic tolling facilities, signage, ventilation systems, emergency systems, systems for the control and management of roads, tunnel support facilities and motorway control centre facilities,
 - (g) development for the purposes of public recreation areas and facilities at Balgowlah.
- (3) The development is to be carried out on land in the following local government areas—
 - (a) Lane Cove,
 - (b) Mosman,
 - (c) North Sydney,
 - (d) Northern Beaches,
 - (e) City of Willoughby.
- (4) The development does not include surveys, test drilling, test excavations, geotechnical or contamination investigations or other tests, surveys, sampling or investigation for the purposes of the design or assessment of the project.
- (5) In this clause—

utilities infrastructure includes adjustments to, or relocation of, existing utilities infrastructure.