Two months ago Transurban started a conversation with the community about the Western Distributor proposal - a project to address some of Melbourne’s most critical traffic, growth and liveability challenges. We would like to thank everyone who has joined the conversation to date and we encourage you to keep sharing your views and knowledge with us as work continues on developing the proposal.

**Western Distributor proposal**

The Western Distributor proposal includes a tunnel under Yarraville and elevated road in the port precinct to directly connect the West Gate Freeway with the Port of Melbourne, CityLink and the city; additional lanes on the West Gate Freeway; and upgrades to improve safety and access from Webb Dock.

Community feedback received so far has helped us understand how people feel about travelling and living in Melbourne’s inner west, providing us some insight into what is important to consider in planning, designing and building the Western Distributor project.

**CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION – IN-DEPTH DISCUSSIONS START SOON**

We will continue gathering community input over the coming months through a series of community discussion groups and the establishment of a Community Reference Group. More information about these activities will be available soon.

We also continue to meet with a wide range of project stakeholders including government departments, freight operators, businesses and community groups.

A diagram over the page shows where we are in the planning and engagement process.

**OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS WE HAVE:**

- Hosted five information sessions with technical specialists available to answer queries and explain key aspects of the proposal
- Held 10 pop up information stalls to raise local awareness of the proposal and ways to be involved
- Dropped information in over 30,000 local letterboxes and advertised in local newspapers to inform people about the proposal
- Talked directly to over 600 people through our engagement process so far
- Received over 500 responses to our online survey, interactive map and discussion forums
- Met with many organisations that have an interest in the proposal to understand their views.

Feedback received so far is now being reviewed, analysed and considered as we continue developing the proposal. We will also release a consultation report that explains what we have heard so far, following the next round of engagement – community discussion forums.
GROUND INVESTIGATIONS

There is a significant amount of existing geological (ground) information for the proposed project area which Transurban has reviewed to ensure the ground conditions are suitable for tunnelling safely.

Project specific geological testing is also required to assist in developing the design and construction methodology for the project.

This work will start during July and will involve drilling a small hole in the ground, around the size of a DVD, to collect rock and soil samples and test the groundwater. Geologists then review these findings, which helps them confirm a comprehensive picture of what lies beneath us. This is needed to inform further work on the Western Distributor tunnel design.

Residents living close to a test site will receive more information before this work begins.

How to stay connected

There are many ways to stay up-to-date and get involved with the Western Distributor proposal. Email us with ‘subscribe’ in the subject line to receive all the latest news by email or log on to our website and sign up.

→ Online – transurban.com
→ By email - projects@transurban.com
→ By phone - 1300 280 939
→ By writing to – Western Distributor Project Team, Locked Bag 28, South Melbourne, VIC 3205

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