Western Sydney Aerotropolis Precinct Planning – Site Investigations

These frequently asked questions will provide additional information for landowners of properties being accessed for investigations to inform precinct planning and water servicing for the Western Sydney Aerotropolis.

Who is the Western Sydney Planning Partnership?

The Western Sydney Planning Partnership (Planning Partnership) was established as part of the Western Sydney City Deal to ensure that local councils and the NSW Government work closely in planning for the future of Western Sydney, including the Western Sydney Aerotropolis (the Aerotropolis).

The Planning Partnership brings together the local councils of Blacktown, the Blue Mountains, Camden, Campbelltown, Fairfield, Hawkesbury, Liverpool, Penrith and Wollondilly, along with key NSW Government agencies.

Why do we need access to your property?

The Planning Partnership and Sydney Water are undertaking further land capability, biodiversity, waterway and heritage investigations over several weeks for the purposes of informing precinct plans for the Aerotropolis and investigating future stormwater, wastewater and drinking water services for the Aerotropolis.

What is the purpose of the investigations?

The purpose of the investigations is to inform technical studies which will assist in the development of precinct plans for the Aerotropolis. The investigations will also map waterways and farm dams in the area to plan for future stormwater, wastewater and drinking water throughout the Aerotropolis.

When will the investigations take place?

Contractors will need to access your property between 19 August and 18 September 2020, weather permitting.

Working hours are from 7am to 5pm, Monday to Friday and Saturday from 8am to 1pm. No work is planned for Sundays or public holidays.

What will happen during the investigations, and will they be invasive?

Depending on your property, Sydney Water, the Planning Partnership or their contractors will be visiting your property to take photos, conduct flora and fauna surveys, map the top of creek banks, look at farm dams and/or to take a record of heritage items and their surroundings.

This work is not invasive and will not cause any impacts to your property. The work simply seeks to accurately map and record information about your property.
Will investigations be carried out in COVID-safe manner?
Yes, all contractors carrying out the investigations for the Planning Partnership and Sydney Water will follow strict health precautions in-line with COVID-safe measures.

Will the investigations impact the zoning of your property?
The investigations will not impact the zoning of your property. The investigations are for the purposes of informing technical studies to assist in the development of precinct plans for the Aerotropolis, and to inform plans for future stormwater, wastewater and drinking water throughout the Aerotropolis.

Will other agencies need access to your property?
The Planning Partnership is comprised of a number of agencies and local government representatives. Representatives from the Planning Partnership or their contractors may require access to your property throughout this planning and delivery phase. Where possible, we will minimise visits to your property.

What are precinct plans and when will they be finalised?
Precinct planning will identify land uses, housing choices, built form, infrastructure, and environmental and open space outcomes. The Planning Partnership is currently undertaking precinct planning for the initial precincts within the Aerotropolis. This will enable development to occur. These initial precincts include:

- Aerotropolis Core precinct
- Northern Gateway precinct
- Wianamatta – South Creek precinct
- Agribusiness precinct
- Badgerys Creek precinct

It is expected that the draft precinct plans for the initial precincts will be publicly exhibited in late 2020, with adoption of the final precinct plans to follow post consideration of community consultation findings.

Precinct planning for the remaining precincts within the Aerotropolis will follow as infrastructure and services are planned.

Will investigations take place in the non-initial precincts?
Yes, the scope of the technical studies may pick up areas outside of the initial precincts. The information gathered will be used to inform some future work for non-initial precincts at a later date.

It is important to note that the information gathered at this stage will only inform precinct plans for the initial precincts.
When will the findings of the technical studies be available?

The findings of the technical studies will be available once the Planning Partnership places draft precinct plans for the initial precincts on public exhibition. This is expected to occur in late 2020. Landowners and the community will be notified of the public exhibition.

Who can I contact if I have any questions or advise of specific requirements to access my property?

Our team will endeavour to answer your questions or assist with any specific arrangements you may have regarding your land.

Please call **1800 978 724** or email engagement@ppo.nsw.gov.au.