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First look at Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport Terminal



The initial design of the Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport terminal precinct has been unveiled by Minister for Population, Cities and Urban Infrastructure Alan Tudge and Melissa McIntosh MP following the appointment of the design architects.

Successful architectural team, London-based Zaha Hadid Architects and Australian architects Cox Architecture won the honour following a competitive process which generated more than 40 entrants.

The winning design focuses on the customer journey while paying tribute to the Western Sydney region and natural landscape. It passed a range of value-for-money and technical reviews before the final decision was made by a panel including some of Australia's most renowned architects.

The design will ensure that air travel will be accessible for locals, as well as making the airport a place people visit, shop and meet even if they don't have a flight to catch.

Zaha Hadid Architects and Cox Architecture will work with Western Sydney University students, local Aboriginal groups and the local community to further refine and enhance the concepts to arrive at the final design.

Within the first five years of the airport opening it is expected to support 28,000 full-time jobs for the people of Western Sydney.

To view the designs please visit - westernsydney.com.au/your-airport/sydneys-new-airport.



One year ago, Prime Minister Scott Morrison gave the long-awaited signal to start up the bulldozers kicking off construction on Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport.

This project has been a catalyst for transformation, delivering jobs and economic growth in the Western Sydney region.

In early 2020, activity on site will be on a scale never seen before in the region with 23 million cubic metres of soil to be moved to prepare for runway, road, rail and terminal construction.

The Federal Government's investment into the airport, and into the Western Sydney City Deal continues to deliver meaningful and positive change for residents of Western Sydney.

I look forward to taking this momentum into 2020, getting on with the job and building the infrastructure that Western Sydney needs.



Western Sydney Airport Update: One year into construction

It's been a year since construction commenced on Western Sydney International Airport and work is about to ramp up considerably, with major earthworks due to begin soon.

Since construction started in September 2018, local companies from Narellan to Norwest, Blacktown to Bringelly have benefited to the tune of \$37 million. Local businesses, including several Indigenous businesses, have been delivering the equipment and services needed to build the Airport, from concrete pumping to fencing and demolition.

Western Sydney Airport is exceeding all of its employment targets for local, Indigenous and learning workers, creating jobs closer to home for Western Sydney locals. As at 30 June, local workers made up 54 per cent of the total workforce, almost double the construction phase target of 30 per cent.

The Western Sydney Airport TAFE NSW Skills Exchange has been established on the Airport site so that workers can develop their skills while on the job, helping to set them up for future career opportunities at the airport and beyond.







Positive results for Threatened Flora Propagation Program

The first stage of a program to improve the resilience of three threatened flora species found at the Western Sydney International site has been a success.

Seed collection and propagation of threatened flora species from the airport site was undertaken by the Australian Botanic Garden at Mt Annan.

The program has successfully propagated over 500 *Pultenaea parviflora* plants, over 500 *Marsdenia viridiflora ssp. Viridiflora* plants and over 200 *Pimelea spicata* plants. The resulting plants will be available for use in research and restoration programs, including the possibility for planting back on the airport site.

Stage 2 involves genetic testing of the *Pimelea spicata* plant in order to find ways to improve population resilience, and the five-year maintenance of a potted collection of the plant for use in restoration projects.

The outcomes of the Threatened Flora Propagation Program are included in the Biodiversity Offset Delivery Plan, which outlines how the Australian Government will offset the biodiversity impacts of the development of Western Sydney International.







Forum on Western Sydney Airport update

The community was recently invited to a drop-in session held by the Forum on Western Sydney Airport (FOWSA) in Campbelltown. The well-attended event was an opportunity to meet with FOWSA members and the team working on the airport to ask questions about the development.

The drop-in session was followed by a FOWSA meeting that was also open to the public to observe and featured a Q&A session. A record of the meeting, including responses to questions raised, is available at westernsydneyairport.gov.au/community-partners/forum.

The Minister for Population, Cities, and Urban Infrastructure has appointed two new members to FOWSA: Melissa McIntosh MP, the Federal Member for Lindsay, and Gregory Copeland, a Camden resident, former councillor and real estate agent.

Like all members of FOWSA, Melissa McIntosh MP and Mr Copeland will be available to answer questions about the airport development and provide feedback from the community to the Government on matters relating to the airport.

You can contact FOWSA anytime at FOWSA@infrastructure.gov.au

First Class Views from Western Sydney Airport Experience Centre The Western Sydney International Airport Experience Centre has officially opened its doors, welcoming 1,000 visitors

within its first month of opening.



Located on the airport site on Eaton Road at Luddenham, the Experience Centre is free to visit and open to members of the public, as well as school, community and business groups.

It gives the community a chance to learn more about the airport and how it will help shape the future of Western Sydney.

Visitors to the Experience Centre are taken through a series of interactive stop overs, including an augmented reality preview of Western Sydney International and an airport control room, where giant screens provide insights and information about the \$5.3 billion airport project as well as other infrastructure projects in Western Sydney.

The final destination in the Experience Centre is a viewing area with floor-to-ceiling glass panels, which will eventually provide first-class views of terminal and runway construction, due to kick off with major earthworks on the site in early 2020.

The Experience Centre

Address - Eaton Road Luddenham

Opening Times – Monday to Thursday from 10am to 4pm

Contact - 1800 972 972 or info@wsaco.com.au

Groups of 10 or more will need to book in advance

