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Airport warns on more noise

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AIRCRAFT noise will increase over Sydney's northwest for eight months, with residents yesterday warned of an extra 30 fly-overs a day.

The Eastern Suburbs also will have to endure increased aviation - about 15 extra flights a day.

Sydney airport will change its flight paths in October to allow construction of a safety zone at the western end of the east-west runway. Transport Minister Anthony Albanese said the disruption would be reduced through limited use of the east-west runway during the project.

This would be achieved by placing barriers known as jet blast deflectors between the construction work and aircraft using the runway.

The construction period would also be shortened from the original 15 months to eight months by working 22-hours a day, seven days a week.

Politically, the extra noise has been evenly distributed.

Labor's Maxine McKew in Bennelong and Liberal Joe Hockey in North Sydney will be affected, as will Liberal Malcolm Turnbull in Wentworth and Environment Minister Peter Garrett in Kingsford Smith.

"And, of course, every plane goes over my electorate, no matter where they are headed," said Mr Albanese, whose seat of Grayndler includes Marrickville.

He said the plan was an improvement on the previous government proposal for all extra flights to be sent to the north through the "Bennelong Funnel", even though then prime minister John Howard was the MP for Bennelong.

"It's a lot better than what would have happened," Mr Albanese said.

"I don't hide from the fact that there will be increased noise to the north of the airport, but the increase will be for a shorter period and every effort will be made to minimise disruption."

Five years ago the Civil Aviation Safety Authority directed the airport increase the length of runway safety areas to a minimum of 90m.

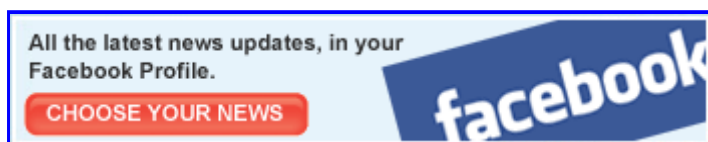
These are the zones at each end designed to handle jets which over-run their landings or land short.

This meant a total of six extensions on the ends of the two north-south runways and the east-west runway. The work on the north-south strips and the eastern end of the east-west runway was completed in 2006.

Mr Albanese said the previous government had known the project was necessary last September.

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