# BluGeo Powerthread K60



# M2 MOTORWAY UPGRADE

The \$550 million Hills M2 Upgrade plays a key role in Sydney's Orbital network linking the north west region to the lower north shore and Sydney's CBD. It is a key road freight and commuter route and connects the major employment hubs of Macquarie Park and Norwest Business Park. On a typical workday, more than 100,000 vehicles and over 27,000 bus commuters use the Hills M2.

PROJECT START: 2010

PROJECT COMPLETION: 2013

CLIENT/END USER: LEIGHTONS/TRANSURBAN CONTRACTOR: HYATT GROUND ENGINEERING

ENGINEER/DESIGNER: COFFEY

#### **APPLICATION**

## WHERE WE USED BLUGEO POWERTHREAD K60 SOIL NAILS

A steep embankment between Pennant Hills Rd and Windsor Rd's required soil nailing for stabilisation.

#### WHY WE USED BLUGEO POWERTHREAD K60 SOIL NAILS

Blu**Geo** Powerthread K60 soil nails were designed to meet the structural and design life requirements of the project. Engineers decided to use Blu**Geo** Powerthread K60 – GRP soil nails not only for the standard cost benefit versus steel DCP nails, but also because of the light weight nature of the product being 25% weight of steel nails. This saved considerable costs on the project by eliminating the need for craneage to install the nails.

### **FEATURES**

- High tensile and shear strength
- 100 year design life
- Light weight
- Economical

#### **BENEFITS**

Allowed the easy installation of the 5.5m soil nails by one man instead of using a crane which would have been required if traditional steel DCP nails, were utilised.

#### **SUMMARY**

The properties of the Blu**Geo** Powerthread K60 soil nails meet all the structural and design life requirements of the project and also allowed a quick, safe and economical installation.





