



To the Resident

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Dear Sir / Madam,

**Inner West Light Rail Extension –  
Light rail stabling within the former Rozelle Goods Yard**

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John Holland is designing and constructing the Inner West Light Rail Extension on behalf of the NSW Government. The extension will connect to the existing light rail service, which operates from Central to Lilyfield. It will run along the former Rozelle freight rail corridor, through the inner west, to Dulwich Hill. The extended service will begin operating in early 2014.

We are writing to advise you about a plan to stable up to four light rail vehicles within the former Rozelle Goods Yard, near the Lilyfield light rail stop. Studies undertaken since the project approval showed additional light rail vehicles would be required to meet expected patronage. Transport for NSW has selected the former Rozelle Goods Yard to stable the additional vehicles due to the site's existing characteristics and former use. Being situated within a cutting, and largely hidden from view, means the environmental impacts are significantly reduced.

With activities in the stabling yard generally limited to cleaning the vehicles' interiors and testing safety systems in the morning before services begin, the operational impacts to residents nearby are anticipated to be low. Vehicle maintenance and exterior washing will continue to take place at the existing facility in Pyrmont. Enclosed is a fact sheet with more information on the stabling yard.

Construction is scheduled to start in mid-July and will finish in November 2013. Notification will be provided before any work starts that has a potential to impact nearby residents.

If, after reading the enclosed fact sheet, you have any further questions about the stabling yard or any other aspect of the Inner West Light Rail Extension, please call the Project Infoline on 1800 684 490 or email [projects@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:projects@transport.nsw.gov.au). You can also visit [www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects](http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects) for information on the project.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andy Charlesworth'.

Andy Charlesworth  
PROJECT DIRECTOR

# Lilyfield Stabling Yard Fact Sheet



Figure 1: Indicative location of Lilyfield Stabling Yard

## What is a stabling yard?

A stabling yard provides an area to park light rail vehicles when they are not in service.

## What will the stabling yard consist of?

To stable four light rail vehicles, a single section of track (approximately 250 metres long) will be laid and fencing, gates, CCTV and lighting will be installed for security. Walkways and a small services and amenities hut for staff will also be constructed.

## Where will the stabling yard be located?

The diagram above shows the location of the stabling yard in red. The area is between the City West Link and Lilyfield Road. Both these roads are located above the light rail tracks.

## Why has this location been chosen?

This location has been chosen due to the site's existing characteristics and former use. Being situated within a cutting, and largely hidden from view, means the environmental impacts are significantly reduced.

## When will it operate?

Light rail vehicles will be stabled overnight at the facility, arriving after the close of service at 11pm on weekdays and 12 midnight on weekends, and departing at 6am at the start of each service day.

## What activities will take place in the yard?

In the morning, start-up procedures and pre-service checks (including testing of warning horns and bells) would take place at around 5.45am. Not all vehicles will go into service at the same time, so at most only two vehicles would test their horns before 6.00am.

At the finish of service, drivers would power down the light rail vehicles and depart. Overnight activities may

include cleaning the inside of the light rail vehicles (i.e. mopping, sweeping and vacuuming). Vehicle maintenance and exterior washing will continue to take place at the existing facility in Pyrmont.

## What will I hear?

Noise modelling of dwellings to the north and south of the yard has shown that impacts would be low and unlikely to disturb residents. Noise monitoring will be done in the area when the facility starts operating, in accordance with the project's Conditions of Approval.

## What will I see?

Some residents may have distant views of the parked light rail vehicles and may notice lights, however these are downward facing. The visual impact assessment undertaken has determined that the visual impacts would be low.

## Will the construction activities be noisy?

Residents may notice some noisy works; however construction will take place during standard construction hours of 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm Saturday. Construction impacts will be managed according to the project's Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan. Any high noise generating activities such as rock breaking will be subject to respite periods.

## Where can I get more information?

Please call the Project Infoline on 1800 684 490 or email [projects@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:projects@transport.nsw.gov.au).

## What if I have an urgent enquiry or complaint regarding construction activities?

For urgent enquiries or complaints regarding construction activities, please call the 24-hour Construction Response Line on 1800 775 465.