



Metropolitan Priorities for West Subregion


 **PENRITH REGIONAL CITY**

 Specialised Precinct — Potential


City Shapers


 Western Sydney Employment Area


 Metropolitan Rural Area


 Metropolitan Rural Area - National Park

Transport

 Motorways — Existing Network

 Motorways — Potential Expansion

 Mass Transit — Current & Committed

 Mass Transit — Intermediate

 Potential Extension for Transit


 Regional Rail


 Freight Rail


 Railway Station

Urban Area


 Metropolitan Urban Area


 Growth Centre

 Rural Villages

 Industrial Land

Environment

 National Park / Nature Reserve / State Conservation Area

 Waterbody / River / Reservoir

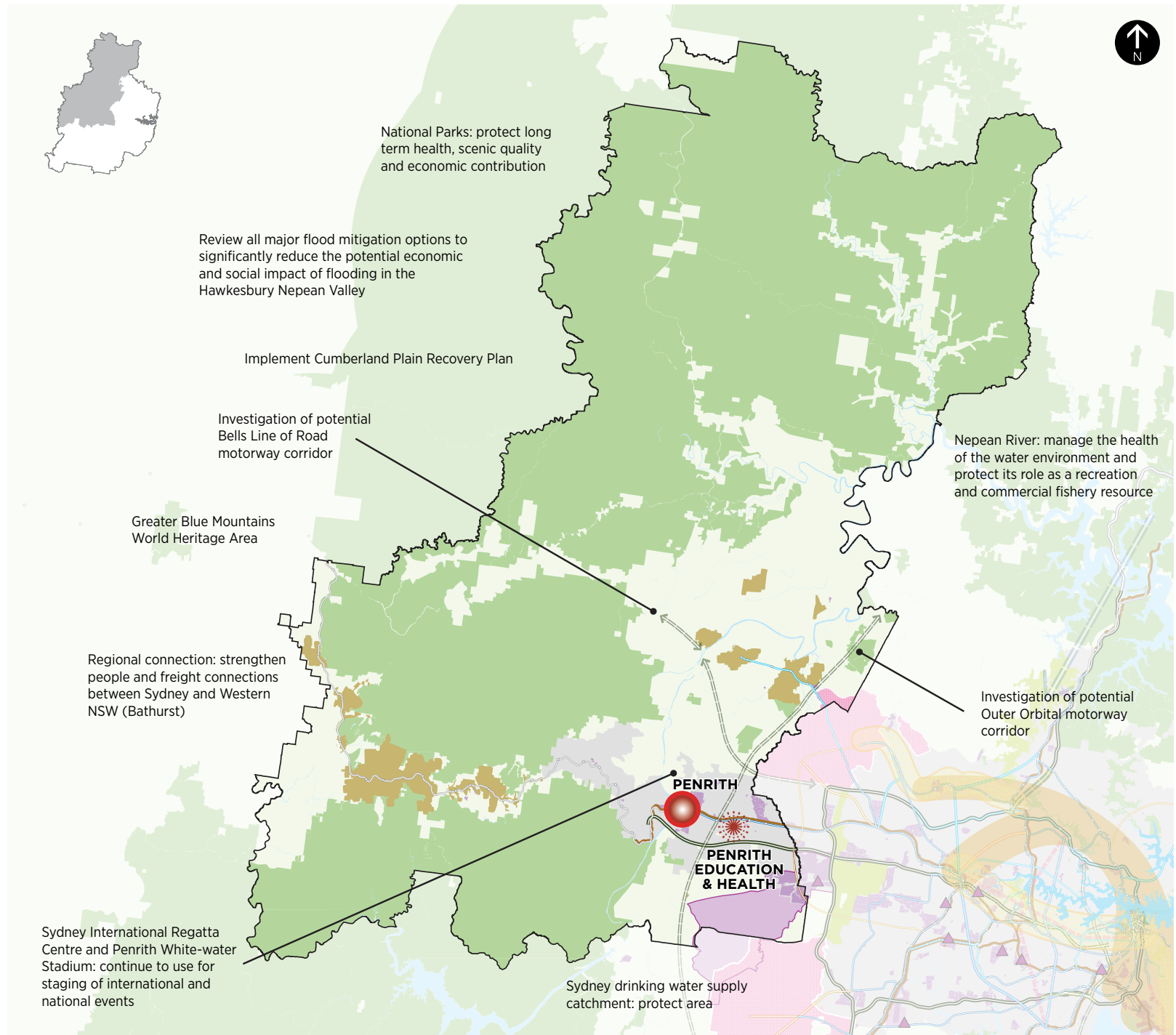


Figure 21: West Subregion



Area: 4,608 km ² 2011 Population density: 71 people/km ² 2010-11 % of GRP: 4.5% (\$ 13 billion)	Current	Target to 2021 (2011-2021)	Target to 2031 (2011-2031)
Population	327,000	372,000 (45,000)	416,000 (89,000)
Housing	127,000	143,000 (16,000)	166,000 (39,000)
Employment	119,000	138,000 (19,000)	156,000 (37,000)

Metropolitan priorities

- promote as Sydney's gateway servicing western NSW, with nationally significant tourism destinations; a focus for significant employment growth through Penrith Regional City, the Western Sydney Employment Area, Sydney's northern rural fringe; and the cultural and landscape values of the Hawkesbury Valley and the Blue Mountains World Heritage Area
- support ongoing housing growth through urban renewal especially around Penrith and other centres on the Strategic Transit Network and investigation of an extension to the Metropolitan Urban Area at Orchard Hills
- increase the numbers and diversity of employment opportunities, particularly within strategic centres in response to the growing population
- recognise and intensify the subregion's role in Sydney's manufacturing, construction and wholesale/logistics industries in the Western Sydney Employment Area and other locations accessible to the M4/M7
- achieve a wider range of accessible centres supported by a strategic transit network with stronger links to the West Central and North West and South West subregions

- support and enhance the Blue Mountains World Heritage Area and Hawkesbury-Nepean River recreation and tourism opportunities, including for Katoomba, Blackheath, Leura, Richmond, Windsor and Kurrajong villages
- protect Sydney's drinking water supply catchment
- support flood mitigation plans in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley
- recognise agricultural and resource lands as important assets for food production and broader economic contribution
- support continuing planning around Penrith Lakes to achieve a new centre for housing, employment and recreational uses in the longer term.

Penrith Regional City

- strengthen as the regional hub for office, retail, administration recreation and culture
- strengthen Penrith CBD and protect the commercial core
- provide opportunities for higher intensity housing and employment in North Penrith and Penrith CBD
- plan for improved links to Penrith's wider catchment such as the North West Growth Centre and Penrith Education and Health Precinct

- provide capacity for at least 8,000 additional jobs to 2031.

Penrith Education & Health Potential Specialised Precinct

- intensify the cluster of health and education enterprises and take advantage of links to Nepean Hospital, University of Western Sydney and TAFE campuses at Kingswood-Werrington.

Western Sydney Employment Area

- plan for the expansion and growth of this strategically important employment area (see Objective 4, page 18).

Western Sydney Parklands

- plan for the enhancement of this metropolitan-significant park servicing the growing population of Western Sydney for active and passive recreation
- support the activation initiatives of the parklands to provide ongoing improvements to its facilities.

Metropolitan Rural Area

- deliver as a city shaper (Objective 4, page 18).