

# SOUTH WEST RAIL LINK EXTENSION

## Public transport corridor protection



View of Badgerys Creek from Luddenham



Glenfield Station, South West Rail Link



Edmondson Park Station, South West Rail Link

## CONNECTING WESTERN SYDNEY

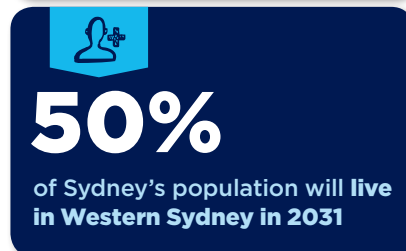
The population of Western Sydney is growing rapidly. The State Government is planning ahead to secure infrastructure and services for the future.

The NSW Government has identified the need to secure an additional public transport corridor through Sydney's west - helping people to access jobs and services.

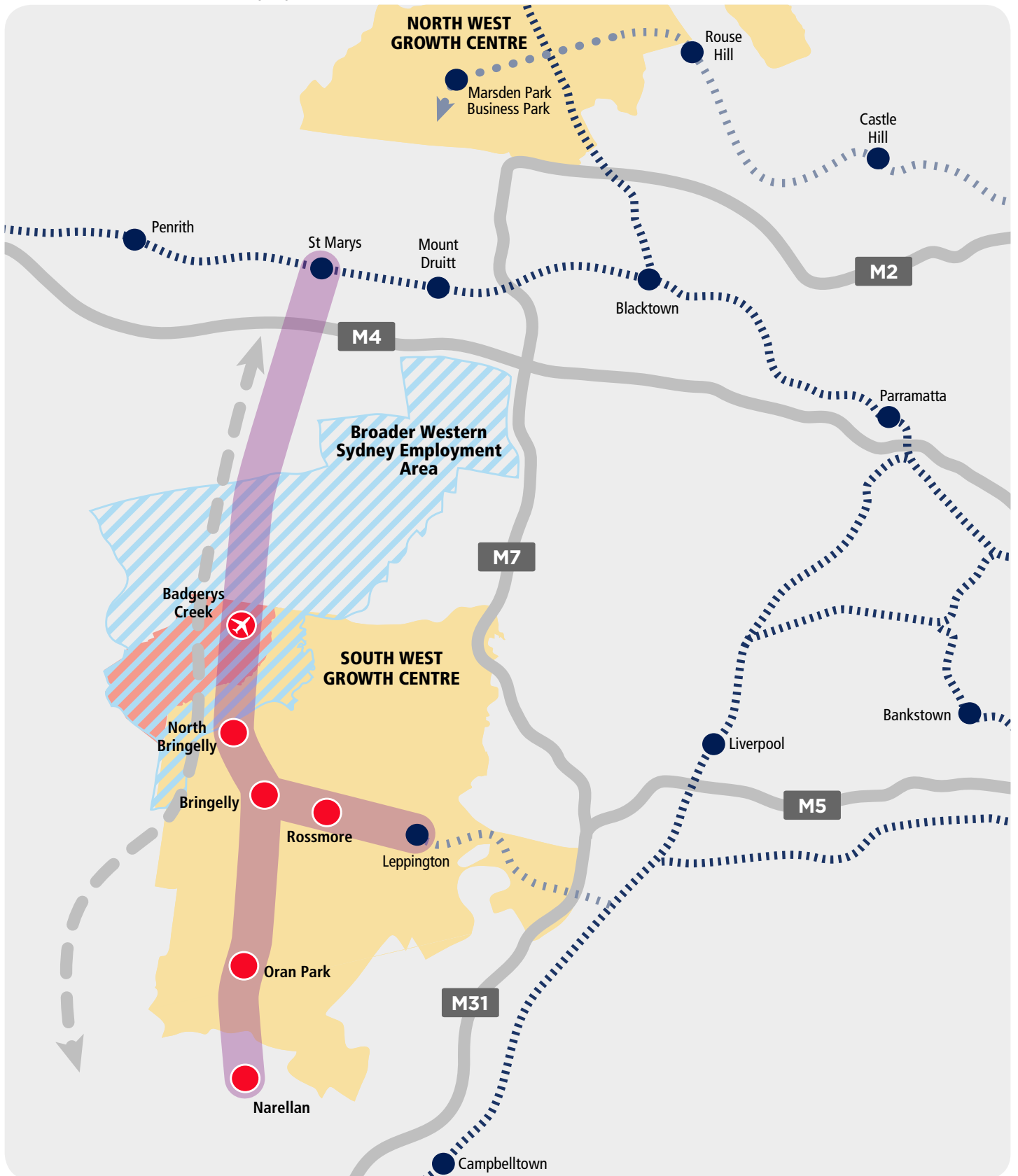
The corridor will connect with the South West Rail Link and into the existing rail network. Planning is underway to determine a specific alignment for the corridor.

Protecting a transport corridor now ensures we are future proofing Western Sydney's public transport needs.

The long-term extension of the South West Rail Link will support jobs and population growth in Western Sydney, including the new airport at Badgerys Creek.



South West Rail Link extension - proposed corridor and core stations



	Proposed core station*		Growth centres		Rail - under construction
	Second Sydney Airport		Motorways - existing network		Protected public transport corridor
	SWRL extension - proposed public transport corridor		Outer Sydney Orbital		Commonwealth land
			Rail - existing network		

\*Additional station opportunities will be explored.

## Growth in Western Sydney

Western Sydney is growing strongly. The NSW Government is committed to realising the potential of Western Sydney – a place where people can find jobs, progress careers and raise families. By 2031, half of Sydney’s population will call Western Sydney home.

- The Broader Western Sydney Employment Area will be the largest employment area in Sydney.
- The South West Growth Centre is Sydney’s largest residential land release area with a planned population of over 300,000.
- The Australian Government has announced it will build an airport at Badgerys Creek.

## Transport: the big picture

*The NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan* sets the direction for Transport in NSW over the next 20 years. The Master Plan identifies 19 major transport corridors across Sydney that need to be protected to meet future transport requirements.

## Protecting the corridor

It makes good transport and planning sense to identify and protect transport corridors before they are needed – to ensure the government is ready to deliver infrastructure and services in line with Sydney’s growth.

Securing a corridor now will reduce the cost of providing transport infrastructure in the future. It ensures a better fit between essential services such as transport and the design of town centres as well as the location of key community facilities such as schools.

## What corridor protection means

Existing planning powers will be used to protect the corridor for future public transport use.

Protecting the corridor this way ensures development within or near the corridor will not impact the corridor’s future use for public transport.

The NSW Government will eventually acquire all land required for public infrastructure purposes when a specific project has been approved.

## SECOND SYDNEY AIRPORT

Protecting the corridor for the South West Rail Link extension would support the development of Western Sydney and in the long term serve the proposed second Sydney airport at Badgerys Creek.

The Australian Government has decided that the location of the second Sydney airport will be at Badgerys Creek. It is now undertaking detailed planning that would see the commencement of passenger flights by around 2025.

The NSW Government is working with the Australian Government on an infrastructure package to support the needs of the airport as travel demand grows over time.

Detailed forecasts for the demand for travel at the second Sydney airport will be developed by the Australian Government in consultation with the aviation industry.

Preliminary estimates prepared for the Australian Government indicate that demand at Badgerys Creek could be

around 3 million annual passengers initially – comparable with Canberra and Hobart and well below the annual passenger figures of Perth (13 million) and Melbourne International Airport (30 million).

Melbourne International Airport is an example of a major airport with significant public transport demands that are met by a fleet of express buses. Perth, Canberra and Hobart airports also rely on buses for their public transport needs.

In the short term, access to the second Sydney airport could be provided through road upgrades, park and ride facilities and new bus services directly linking to major centres in Western Sydney.

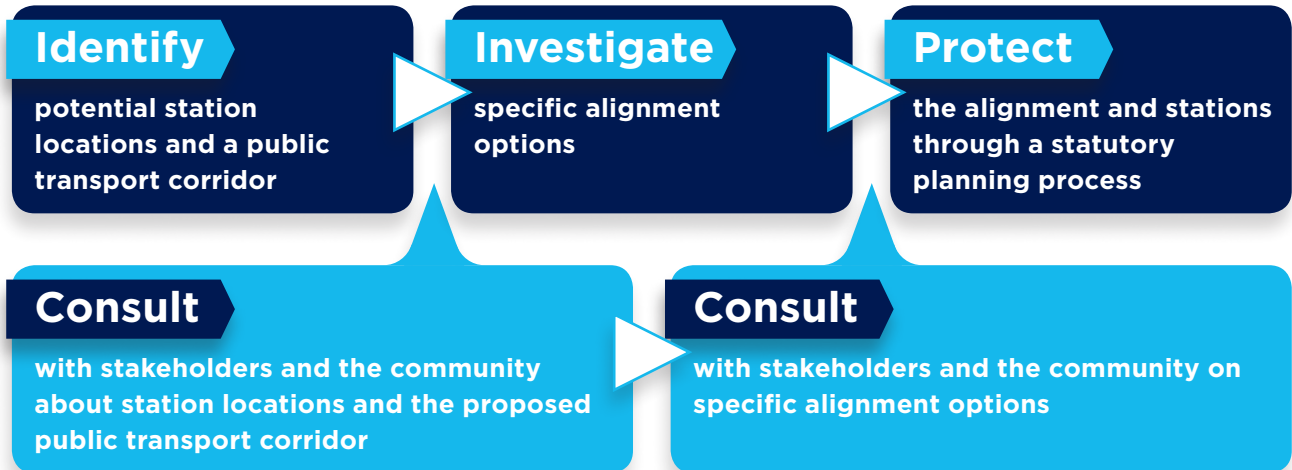
The Australian Government will also preserve a rail corridor and station box at the airport site during construction for future use.

In the longer term, an extension of the South West Rail Link would provide mass transit access to realise the airport’s full benefits for Western Sydney.



# STEPS TO IDENTIFY CORE STATIONS AND PROTECT THE CORRIDOR

Protecting the South West Rail Link extension corridor involves a range of land use, engineering and environmental studies, together with two stages of community and stakeholder consultation.



## HAVE YOUR SAY

We are asking the community about the location of the transport corridor, to help us best plan for the future public transport needs of Western Sydney.

### Stage one

Between 28 April and 6 June 2014, community members and stakeholders have the opportunity to provide feedback on the station locations and proposed public transport corridor.

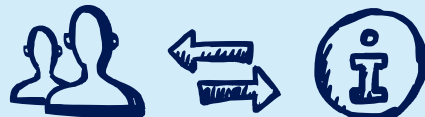
### Stage two

After the initial community feedback has been received and more detailed alignment work completed, we will be inviting community members and stakeholders to comment on specific alignment options for corridor protection.

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK SESSIONS

Information about the proposal to protect the South West Rail Link extension corridor will be on display at upcoming community information and feedback sessions.

We will publish dates and times for the information sessions in the local media. In the meantime, please visit [www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects-swrl-extension-corridor-protection](http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects-swrl-extension-corridor-protection) to register your interest for project updates and to access further information about the proposal.



## For more information

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