



# Freight Noise Attenuation Program

## Determining Eligibility

### Rail corridors eligible for FNAP treatment

Residents living next to rail corridors managed by the NSW Government are eligible to apply for the Freight Noise Attenuation Program (FNAP). This covers freight corridors between Nowra and Newcastle, and west to Lithgow.

If you live next to a rail corridor managed by the Australian Government (Australian Rail Track Corporation) or a private operator, you will need to contact them directly to discuss noise issues and mitigation initiatives in your neighbourhood.

Please refer to the following page for a map of the NSW rail network.

### Homes eligible for FNAP treatment

Transport for NSW has developed a set of criteria for eligibility for the FNAP, which are similar to standards used by other NSW Government agencies in noise attenuation programs.

To be eligible for the FNAP, a home must meet all of the following criteria:

- Exposed to external rail noise levels above 70dBA during the day (LAeq(15hour) 7am to 10pm) or 65dBA during the night (LAeq(9hour)) 10pm to 7am). TfNSW determine these levels by measuring rail noise levels across the network. If the dwelling is not near any previous noise monitoring locations or within a designated catchment area then further noise monitoring may be undertaken.
- Classified as an occupied residence or other noise sensitive land use according to accepted definitions across government.
- Not part of a building that is more than 3 levels above the ground, as these buildings are not eligible under the program.
- Not part of a development that was approved after 1 January 2009 because these homes should have been built to meet internal noise limits in line with the State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure).

If Transport for NSW has not collected noise data in your area and you meet other criteria, we will conduct noise monitoring at or near your home.

If your home meets these criteria it will be eligible to be assessed for treatment.

At the time of treatment scoping, the property will be assessed to confirm it is cost-effective, equitable and practical to treat.

## Buildings other than homes

Applications for other noise sensitive buildings such as schools and places of worship that may be eligible will be assessed on a case by case basis, prioritising night time noise impacted sites.



To find out whether your home is eligible for treatments, you need to submit an application to the Freight Noise Attenuation Program.

For a copy of the application form, visit [freight.transport.nsw.gov.au/FNAP](https://freight.transport.nsw.gov.au/FNAP), contact us at [railnoise@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:railnoise@transport.nsw.gov.au) or call 1800 446 517.

