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More Trains, More Services

Waterfall Stabling Yard and Platform Extension project



What's the latest news?

Over the past nine months, enabling work has been carried out at Waterfall in preperation for construction of a stabling yard, platform extensions and new track as part of the More Trains, More Services program. The work taking place at Waterfall is expected to take around two and a half years to complete, and will enable a longer fleet of trains to service Waterfall Station.

Since January this year, approximately 700 staff have been working at Waterfall, completing the installation of 500 metres of retaining walls which will enable the ground work required to lay new track.

In consultation with Sydney Trains, Telstra, NextGen and NBN, the project team have relocated approximately 2 km of underground utility services, upgraded drainage and carried out vegetation removal required to prepare the site for main construction activities.

We are in the process of identifying local community groups in collaboration with Sutherland Shire Council to ensure local interests are considered when identifying opportunities to enhance visual amentiy, including re-planting initiatives.

We will continue to keep the community informed with regular project updates, and let you know in advance of opportunities for community contribution to the project.

This month we also thank and farewell our enabling work construction contractor, who has been completing activities at Waterfall since the start of this year.

What's coming next?

This month we will be establishing one of our site compounds at Heathcote, between the Princes Highway and Wilsons Parade. This compound will be used to store construction vehicles and machinery, and a temporary office space may be installed in the coming months to accommodate staff.

We have also installed some containers and sheds inside the rail corridor, north of Waterfall Station where our enabling contractor have been working since January, and will be using the same location for efficient access to and from our work areas.

What do I need to know about construction hours?

Standard construction hours on this project are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday, weekends and public holidays.

These times are subject to change, and any updates will be published on the project webpage, <u>yoursay.transport.nsw.gov.au/mtms-waterfall</u>. We will also make direct contact with impcted stakeholders to advise of any changes prior to start of construction.

The project team understands construction activities may cause disruption for the community and efforts will be made to minimise impacts where possible, and ensure we adhere to strict environmental conditions relating to noise, vibration and dust management.

Some of the ways we minimise impacts inluce:

- turning off equipment when not in use
- locating equipment as far away from residents and businesses as possible
- completing high noise generating activities earlier in the evening
- stopping work for respite periods.

In line with current Australian Government guidelines around slowing the spread of Coronavirus and social distancing, all work will be carried out at a safe physical distance where possible and necessary hygiene practices will be observed.

How can we keep you informed?

We are always exporing ways to connect with the communities we work in, including through email distribution lists, frequent website updates, letterbox notifications and social media. Please visit the project webpage to let us know your preference.

About More Trains, More Services

Over the next ten years the More Trains, More Services program will simplify and modernise the rail network so that customers can expect more frequent train services, with less wait times, less crowding and more seats on a simple, more reliable network.

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