

Northern Beaches Hospital Connectivity and Network Enhancement Project

Summary - Pollution Incident Response Management Plan

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1 PROJECT

The Northern Beaches Hospital – Connectivity and Network Enhancements Project (the Project) comprises road upgrades to enhance connectivity of the existing road network surrounding the Northern Beaches Hospital at Frenchs Forest, within the Warringah local government area (LGA) on Sydney's Northern Beaches

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) is planning and delivering the road upgrades in two stages:

- The Stage 1 Project Hospital Connectivity Works which aim to enhance the existing road network to facilitate the opening of the proposed Northern Beaches Hospital by 2018.
- Stage 2 Project Network Enhancement Works which are directed towards broader network capacity enhancement particularly along Warringah Road.

An Environmental Protection Licence (20673) has been issued for the Project.

2 SUMMARY

The *Northern Beaches Connectivity and Network Enhancement Environmental Impact Statement* (RMS 2014), assessed the Project's construction and operational hazards and risks, this included contamination of soils, groundwater and surface waters from accidental pollution spills.

The EIS also identified standard safeguards and management measures that could be implemented to minimise the impact the operational hazards and risk of spills associated with the Project. These measures have formed part of the Project design where appropriate.

Notwithstanding, under Part 5.7 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* there is a duty to notify each relevant authority (identified below) of a pollution incident where material harm to the environment is caused or threatened. Material harm is broadly defined as actual or potential harm to the health or safety of human beings or to ecosystems that is not trivial or that result in actual or potential loss or property damage of an amount over \$10,000.

Whilst the Project Environmental Protection Licence specifies a premises, it does not matter that harm to the environment is caused only in the premises where the pollution incident occurs.

This document has been developed as a summary of notification requirements as part of the Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP).

3 RESPONSIBILITIES

In the event of a pollution incident on the Project, the Construction Manager will coordinate the management of the situation, with support from the Environmental Manager, Safety Manager and Superintendent. The Environmental Manager will ensure that measures are put in place to attempt to contain the pollution event.

4 NOTIFICATION OF AGENCIES

In the event of a pollution incident that results in a risk of "material harm" to the environment, as defined in Section 147 of the POEO Act, the following authorities will be notified.

Table 4.1 Organisation details

ORGANISATION	INFORMATION	PHONE NUMBER
NSW Police	Call first if incident presents immediate threat to human health or property	000
NSW Fire and Rescue	Call first if incident presents immediate threat to human health or property	000
NSW Ambulance Service	Call first if incident presents immediate threat to human health or property	000
Environmental Protection Authority	Pollution Hotline	131 555
NSW Health	General number to connect you to your local Public Health Unit	1300 066 055
Northern Beaches Council	24-hour contact number	1300 434 434
WorkCover NSW	24-hour contact number	131 050

Table 4.2 Additional Incident Support Agencies

ORGANISATION	INFORMATION	PHONE NUMBER
NSW State Emergency Services		132 500
Gas	Jemena	131 909
Water	Sydney Water Faults & Leaks	132 090
Poison	Poisons Information Service	131 126
Electricity	Ausgrid	131 338
	Endeavour Energy	131 003
	Essential Energy	132 080
Spill Response	Transpacific Emergency Spills	1800 774 557

5 COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Early warnings for affected or potentially affected community members for any pollution incident will be communicated to those members in consultation with relevant authorities. The means of communication will vary based on the size and severity of the pollution incident.

In the event that community notification is required the following actions, in consultation with relevant authorities, would be carried out where appropriate and safe to do so by the Community team:

- Provide notification either via:
 - Telephone;
 - Email,
 - Letterbox drop, and/or via door knocks;
 - Radio, and road/motorway variable message signage as required in consultation with relevant authorities;
- The notification may also include recommended actions that members of the community can take to prevent or minimise harm as required in consultation with relevant authorities such as closing windows and doors;
- Providing protective fencing and barricading to prevent community stakeholders from entering into a polluted area; and
- Follow up notifications:
 - Face to face or telephone advice;
 - Email updates;
 - Project website updates;
 - Variable message signage on roadways and radio communications as required in consultation with relevant authorities.

In such an event the Project Director and Construction Manager will provide all the necessary assistance to the incident controller including the provision of access to the Projects community notification tools.