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Infrastructure Pipeline

Western Sydney North South Rail Link Stage 1

State/Territory: New South Wales

AG funding: \$3.5 billion

Mode	Major freight route	Major Commuter corridor	Commercial precinct
			

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

The Western Sydney City Deal signed on 4 March 2018 includes a commitment to deliver the first stage of the North South Rail Link, from St Marys to the Aerotropolis via Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport. As a key commitment of the City Deal, and a feature of the NSW Government’s Greater Sydney Region Plan and the Future Transport 2056 transport strategy, Stage 1 will provide fast and efficient, customer-focused metro rail connectivity for areas of Western Sydney that will see rapid growth over the coming decade. It will provide city-shaping public transport accessibility to the key precincts within the Western Sydney Aerotropolis, Western Sydney Economic Corridor, Sydney Science Park, as well as the Australian Government-funded Western Sydney International Airport.

As part of the City Deal, the project will be jointly funded 50:50 by the Australian and NSW Governments. The Australian Government has committed \$3.5 billion towards the approximately \$7 billion Stage 1 project, including \$50 million for business case development. The business case is due to be completed by the end of 2019 with construction expected to commence in 2021. The Australian Government’s share of project funding also includes \$61 million to construct the Elizabeth Drive Overpass – an essential piece of infrastructure that will enable safe and efficient access for the rail service and road access to the airport site. A rail corridor that provides space for two rail lines and two stations has been protected on the airport site.

PROJECT BENEFITS

- **Support growth of vibrant urban centres through integrated transport and land use planning.**
- **Support future traffic demand.**
- **Improve accessibility, connectivity and travel times.**
- **Improve connectivity between people with jobs and services.**

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