



## Southern Sydney Freight Line

### IMPORTANT COMMUNITY INFORMATION

#### Construction works from Casula to Glenfield

The Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) is presently undertaking a program of works to improve the efficiency and cost effectiveness of rail freight services. ARTC is constructing the Southern Sydney Freight Line (SSFL) which will provide a dedicated freight line from Sefton to Macarthur, providing a third track in the rail corridor dedicated for freight services, allowing passenger and freight services to operate independently.

ARTC and Leighton Contractors have joined as an Alliance called the Southern Freight Link (SFL) and will deliver the final stage of the SSFL between Leightonfield and Glen Lee.

The works between Casula and Glenfield will start in the week commencing **5 December 2011** and will take up to 18 months to complete.

Construction activities include:

- Site establishment of temporary site compound on Glenfield Road
- Modification of existing vehicular access tracks between Casula and Glenfield and within the rail corridor
- Completion of the existing Glenfield flyover bridge over the existing rail line
- Construction of substation viaduct, and two viaducts serving the Glenfield flyover (northern and southern approach viaducts). This work will involve piling works, concreting, backfilling and retaining walls
- General earthworks, excavation, construction of retaining walls and noise walls and civil works to allow for the construction of the new freight line.

To undertake these works, the plant and equipment used will include elevated work platforms, dozers, excavators, graders, smooth drum rollers, compactors, mobile cranes, piling rigs, dump trucks, concrete trucks and pumps, delivery vehicles, and powered and non-powered hand tools.

#### Traffic Management and Construction Access

The existing road network is required to access the rail corridor. Every effort will be made not to cause inconvenience or disruption when using these roads. At no time footpaths or driveways will be obstructed by vehicles connected to freight line works. Access to the rail corridor is through an approved traffic management plan and the haulage routes include the following streets:

- **Shepherd Street** will continue to be used as the construction access to bring plant and equipment into the rail corridor
- **Woodbrook Road** will be used as required to bring various types of plant and machinery to the rail corridor.
- **Casula Road** will only be used for light delivery vehicles, due to it being quite narrow and winding. However, it is expected that there will be some increase in traffic volumes during the course of construction
- **Glenfield Road** is currently being used by other rail projects in the area and will continue to be used by the SFL Team to complete these works

## Current and Upcoming works

During November 2011 service investigations and the establishment of the temporary site compound at Glenfield commenced. This compound will remain in place for approximately 18 months and on completion of works the site will be rehabilitated to its original state.

During December 2011 piling, earthworks and the construction of maintenance access roads will commence. Environmental controls will be established on all sites prior to the commencement of works.

All works mentioned in this community update will be undertaken within approved construction hours between 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday and between 8.00am to 1.00pm Saturday. Out of hours construction activities, including weekend and night time works, will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and potentially affected residents will be notified prior to all out of hours works.

A possession weekend is scheduled for the weekend of 17 December 2011, and potentially affected residents will be notified prior to this possession.



We appreciate your patience and co-operation while we carry out the works to complete this important project for Sydney and NSW.

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