



# SOUTHERN SYDNEY FREIGHT LINE MACARTHUR TO SEFTON

## Background

The Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) is planning to improve rail freight services in NSW by building a new dedicated freight line from south of Macarthur Station to east of Sefton Station. An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been produced that describes the proposal, its method of construction, the associated environmental impacts and management of those impacts.

The objectives of the SSFL are to:

- improve reliability and travel times for rail freight services between Melbourne-Sydney-Brisbane;
- improve rail freight service competitiveness compared to road freight service;
- reduce delays to passenger services resulting from conflicts with freight operations;
- support State and National economic development;
- enhance potential beneficial environmental effects and manage potential adverse environmental effects; and
- achieve acceptable economic and financial outcomes.

## What would the project involve?

The SSFL project involves:

- a new 30 kilometre non-electrified single track next to the Main South Line from south of Macarthur Station to east of Sefton Station (see Figure 1);
- construction of a rail bridge crossing over the passenger lines north of Glenfield to take the freight line from the western to the eastern side of the passenger line;

- modification of existing road bridges, including those at Bareena Street, Miller Road and Chester Hill Road;
- construction of a cutting under Sefton junction (east of Sefton Station);
- construction of bridges, retaining walls, cuttings and embankments; and
- impact mitigation measures, such as noise walls and landscaping where required.

Figure 1 shows the location of the proposal and the rail stations that would require modification.

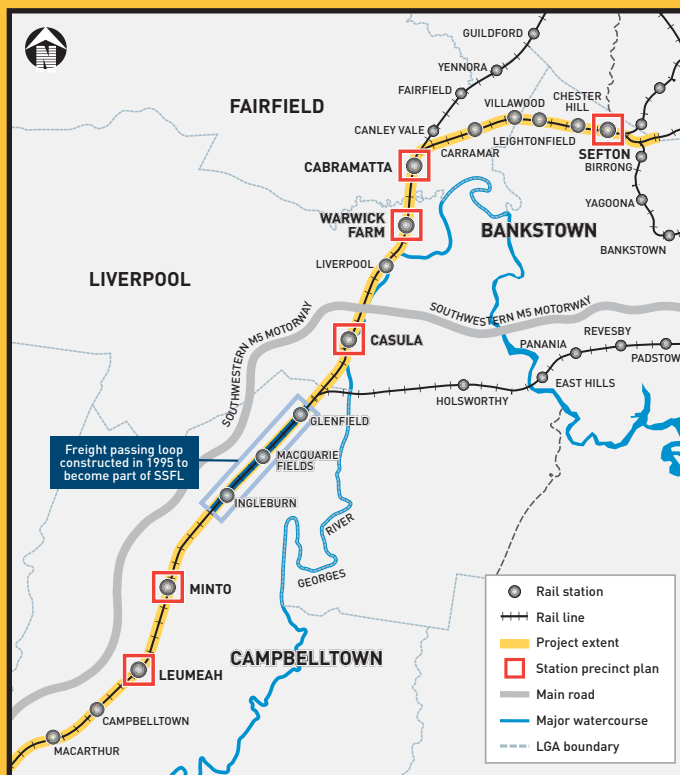


Figure 1 The Proposal



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## Rail station upgrades and modifications

The SSFL project includes the modification of six suburban rail stations including Leumeah, Minto, Casula, Warwick Farm, Cabramatta and Sefton.

Station facilities affected by the SSFL would be replaced and upgraded where required. Commuter car parking, provision for kiss-and-ride, bus bays and taxi zones affected by the SSFL would be replaced. Easy access facilities such as lifts would be installed where access arrangements to platforms have changed at Leumeah, Minto, Warwick Farm and Cabramatta.

Construction would be undertaken to minimise disruption to commuters and adjacent landholders.

## The community consultation process

Residents, businesses and government agencies, and indigenous communities have been consulted to assist in the development of the project. This has involved group and individual meetings, distribution of newsletters and freecall telephone line. Translation services were engaged to assist in communicating with non-English speaking communities.

## What happens next?

The EA is on public exhibition from 3 May 2006 to 2 June 2006. It is available for viewing at several locations, listed overleaf, and online. Members of the community are invited to make comment on the EA.

Following exhibition of the EA the submissions received are considered in a Submissions Report. This report and the EA are assessed by the Department of Planning prior to approval being granted by the Minister for Planning.

Approval is also required from the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Heritage.

## How to Comment

Members of the community are invited to make a written submission on the EA.

Submissions are to be sent to:

Glenn Snow  
Major Infrastructure Assessments  
Department of Planning  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

**Submissions must be received by  
2 June 2006.**



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### EA display locations

The EA will be on exhibition from **3 May 2006** to **2 June 2006** at the locations listed below (please call the Project Information Line for alternative locations in the listed council areas):

**Australian Rail Track Corporation\***

Level 15, 60 Carrington Street, Sydney  
8:30am to 5pm – Monday to Friday

**NSW Department of Planning (Information Centre)**

23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney  
9am to 5pm – Monday to Friday

**NSW Department of Planning**

Level 4, 10 Valentine Avenue, Parramatta  
9am to 5pm – Monday to Friday

**Nature Conservation Council – The Environment Centre of NSW**

Level 5, 362 Kent Street, Sydney  
9am to 5pm – Monday to Friday

**Campbelltown City Council (Administration Centre)**

corner Queen and Broughton Streets, Campbelltown  
8:30am to 4:30pm – Monday to Friday

**Fairfield City Council (Administration Centre)**

86 Avoca Road, Wakeley  
8.30am to 4.30pm – Monday to Friday

**Liverpool City Council (Administration Building)**

1 Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool  
8:30am to 5:00pm – Monday to Friday

\* Copies of the EA and CDs are available for purchase at this location.

**Members of the project team will be available to meet with members of the community to discuss the EA on the 13 and 20 May 2006. Please contact the Project Information Line for time and venue details.**

The EA is also available online at the ARTC website:  
[www.ssfl.artc.com.au](http://www.ssfl.artc.com.au)

### More information

For more information, you can contact:

Christopher Sargent  
Community Liaison Officer  
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## Multi-lingual services

The Australian Rail Track Corporation is planning to construct a new 30 kilometre rail freight track (within the rail corridor), from south of Macarthur Station to east of Sefton Station. This will require construction and/or modification of rail bridges, retaining walls and embankments. It will also require modification of existing rail stations at Leumeah, Minto, Casula, Warwick Farm, Cabramatta and Sefton. An Environmental Assessment (EA) is on public exhibition from 3 May 2006 to 2 June 2006. Members of the community are invited to make comment on the EA. For more information, you can contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on **131 450** and ask an interpreter in your language to contact **Christopher Sargent** (Community Liaison Officer) on **(02) 9272 5270**.

تخطط شركة الخطوط الحديدية الأسترالية (Australian Rail Track Corporation) لإنشاء خط حديدي جديد لقطارات الشحن يمتد لمسافة 30 كيلومترا داخل المسار الحالي للسكة الحديدية ابتداءً من جنوب محطة ماكارتور وحتى محطة قطار سيفتون. وسوف يتطلب ذلك تشييداً وتطويراً للجسور العلوية التي تجري عليها القطارات والجدران العازلة والحواسيز. وسوف يشمل ذلك أيضاً تغييرات على محطات القطارات الحالية بمنطقة لوما، مينتو، كاسولا، ووريك فارم، كابراماتا، وسيفتون. يتم عرض التقييم البيئي للجمهور من 3 مايو/أيار 2006 إلى 2 يونيو/حزيران 2006. ونحن ندعو الجمهور إلى التعليق على التقييم. للحصول على مزيد من المعلومات يمكنكم الاتصال بخدمة الترجمة الخطية والشفهية على الرقم **131 450** والطلب من مترجم يتحدث بلغتك أن يتصل بكريستوفر سارجانت (موظف العلاقات العامة) بشركة بارسونس برينكر هوف على الرقم **(02) 9272 5270**.

La Australian Rail Track Corporation planea construir una nueva vía de ferrocarril de carga de 30 kilómetros (dentro del corredor ferroviario actual), desde el sur de la Estación Macarthur hacia el este de la Estación Sefton. Esto requerirá la construcción y/o modificación de puentes ferroviarios, muros de contención y terraplenes. También requerirá la modificación de las estaciones ferroviarias existentes en Leumeah, Minto, Casula, Warwick Farm, Cabramatta y Sefton. Se pondrá en exhibición al público una Evaluación Ambiental (Environmental Assessment - EA) desde el 3 de mayo del 2006 hasta el 2 de junio del 2006. Se invita a los miembros de la comunidad a dar su opinión sobre la EA. Para mayor información, comuníquese con el Servicio de Traducción e Interpretación llamando al **131 450** y pida a un intérprete de su idioma que se comunique con **Christopher Sargent** (Funcionario de Enlace Comunitario) llamando al **(02) 9272 5270**.

30 cây số (trong phạm vi hành lang đường sắt), từ phía Nam Macarthur đến phía Đông nhà ga Sefton. Công trình này bao gồm việc xây và/hoặc sửa đổi các cây cầu xe lửa, các vách tường và bờ chắn. Ngoài ra chúng tôi còn sửa đổi các nhà ga hiện thời tại Leumeah, Minto, Casula, Warwick Farm, Cabramatta và Sefton. Bản Thâm định Môi trường (Environmental Assessment - EA) sẽ được trưng bày từ ngày 3 tháng Năm 2006 đến ngày 2 tháng Sáu 2006. Xin mời quý vị đóng góp ý kiến về EA. Muốn biết thêm chi tiết, quý vị có thể điện thoại cho Dịch Vụ Thông Phiên Dịch qua số **131 450** rồi nhờ thông dịch tiếng Việt liên lạc với **Christopher Sargent** (Nhân Viên Liên Lạc Công Chúng - Community Liaison Officer) qua số **(02) 9272 5270**.

L'Australian Rail Track Corporation sta progettando la costruzione di una nuova linea ferroviaria di 30 chilometri destinata al traffico merci (all'interno del corridoio ferroviario), da sud della stazione di Macarthur ad est della stazione di Sefton. Questo progetto richiederà la costruzione e/o la modifica di ponti ferroviari, mura di contenimento e terrapieni. Sarà necessario inoltre effettuare delle modifiche alle stazioni ferroviarie esistenti di Leumeah, Minto, Casula, Warwick Farm, Cabramatta e Sefton. Uno studio di valutazione ambientale sarà esposto al pubblico dal 3 maggio 2006 al 2 giugno 2006 e i membri della comunità sono invitati ad esprimere i propri commenti. Per ottenere maggiori informazioni è possibile rivolgersi al Servizio di traduzione e interpretariato chiamando il numero **131 450** e chiedendo ad un interprete della propria lingua di contattare **Christopher Sargent** (funzionario di collegamento con la comunità - Community Liaison Officer) allo **(02) 9272 5270**.

澳大利亚铁路公司 (Australian Rail Track Corporation) 计划建造一条 30 公里长的货运铁路 (在铁路走廊之内)。该铁路南至 Macarthur 车站，东至 Sefton 车站。这项工程需要建造和/或改造铁路桥、护墙和路基。另外，还需要改造 Leumeah、Minto、Casula、Warwick Farm、Cabramatta 和 Sefton 车站。2006 年 5 月 3 日至 2006 年 6 月 2 日将举办环保评估 (EA) 公共展览。热诚邀请社区人士就环保评估 (EA) 提出宝贵意见和建议。如需查询更多详情，请致电 **131 450**，与传译服务 (Translating and Interpreting Service) 联络，并要求传译员协助您与 **Christopher Sargent** (社区 · · 主管) 通话。**Christopher Sargent** 先生的电话是 **(02) 9272 5270**。

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