



# Testing identifies small quantity of asbestos in landscaping site at Telopea

## Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 project

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Transport for NSW acknowledges the Dharug people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pay respects to Elders past and present.

Transport for NSW is supporting the Environmental Protection Authority's (EPA) wide-ranging investigations by proactively testing construction sites across Sydney.

Testing was conducted along the Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 alignment between Westmead and Carlingford, including North Parramatta and the Parramatta CBD.

A single positive trace of bonded asbestos – which is considered low risk – was found in recycled mulch in a garden bed at Telopea near the Parramatta Light Rail stop.

The EPA has been notified and the affected area has been fenced off.

The health and safety of the community and our workforce remains our highest priority.

### What are the next steps?

The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) was immediately notified of the results and the area has been fenced off and sign-posted to prevent public access.

We continue to support the EPA in its investigations.

We will continue to keep you updated as more information becomes available.

### What will this mean for you?

The asbestos found at the landscaped site is bonded asbestos.

NSW Health and Safe Work advise there is a low-to-negligible risk from bonded asbestos.

The site will remain fenced off and a remediation plan is being developed.

The adjacent 5.7-kilometre shared walking and bike riding path from Carlingford to Tramway Avenue in Parramatta remains open and is safe to use.

Transport for NSW remains committed to your safety and appreciates your patience while we work through the next steps.

For more information, please contact the 24-hour Community information line on 1800 139 389 or email at

[parramattalightrail@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:parramattalightrail@transport.nsw.gov.au).

The Parramatta Light Rail is one of the NSW Government's major transport infrastructure projects being delivered to serve a growing Sydney.

Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 will connect Westmead to Carlingford via the Parramatta CBD and Camellia. It is expected to open in mid-2024.