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Dear Sir/Madam

## Re: Sydney CBD and South East Sydney Light Rail Project - submission by NSLHD Health Promotion (NSW Health)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the above proposal.

Northern Sydney Local Health District (NSLHD) Health Promotion supports Transport for NSW's intention to improve public transport and pedestrian access in Sydney's CBD and in South East Sydney.

The available evidence suggests that such improvements to the built environment are likely to reduce car dependence and increase daily physical activity and social interaction, leading to better health at a population level.

In this context, NSLHD Health Promotion recommends some additional measures to improve the integration between bicycles and the proposed light rail network:

- 1. Bicycle lanes are maintained and extended to link with the network.
- 2. Convenient bicycle storage is available on the light rail carriages.
- 3. Bicycle parking is provided at transport interchanges including light rail and bus stops.

For correspondence regarding this submission, please contact Health Promotion Officer David Morrisey on 02 9976 9528 or David.Morrisey@health.nsw.gov.au

We appreciate this opportunity to comment and would welcome other opportunities to collaborate and/or be involved in working groups to promote healthy environments.

Yours sincerely,

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