

## **Appendix B**

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Project advertisements

# Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

## Quakers Hill to Vineyard Rail Duplication Project

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<b>Application No</b>	MP 08_0037
<b>Location</b>	Between Quakers Hill and Vineyard
<b>Proponent</b>	Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation
<b>Council area</b>	Blacktown City Council and Hawkesbury City Council
<b>Approval Authority</b>	Minister for Planning

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### Description of proposal

- construction and operation of new track approximately 10.1km in length adjacent to the existing main line between Quakers Hill and Vineyard;
- relocation of Schofields and Vineyard stations south of their current location;
- reconstruction of Westminster Street overhead bridge and removal of pedestrian level crossings at Quakers Hill and Schofields stations and replacement with footbridges with ramps;
- construction of turnbacks and turnouts;
- construction of a new substation at Schofields; and
- other works including new overhead wiring, modifications to the existing signalling system, culvert works, and the adjustment, relocation and protection of utilities.

### Application of Part 3A

The proposal is a project to which Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) applies by virtue of an Order made by the Minister for Planning under section 75B of the Act on 29 July 2005.

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### Exhibition

The Proponent has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of its application. The EA will be placed on public exhibition from **Wednesday 29 April 2009** until **Monday 1 June 2009** during regular business hours, at:

- **Department of Planning**, Information Centre, 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney;
- **Blacktown City Council**, 62 Flushcombe Road, Blacktown;
- **Blacktown Library**, Cnr Flushcombe Road & Alpha Street, Blacktown;
- **Hawkesbury City Council**, 366 George Street, Windsor;
- **Hawkesbury City Council Library**, 300 George Street Windsor;
- **Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation**, Level 7, Tower A, 821 Pacific Highway, Chatswood; and
- **Nature Conservation Council**, Level 2, 301 Kent Street, Sydney.

A copy of the EA may also be viewed on the Department of Planning's website ([www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au)).

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### Submissions

You are invited to make a written submission on this proposal. This submission should include:

- your name and address;
- the name and application reference number (MP 08\_0037) of the proposal;
- a statement on whether you support or object to the proposal; and
- the reasons why you support or object to the proposal.

Persons lodging submissions are required to declare political donations (including donations of more than \$1,000) made in the previous two years. For more details including a disclosure form go to [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/donations](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/donations).

Your submission must reach the Department of Planning by close of business on **Monday 1 June 2009** and should be addressed to:

Director, Major Infrastructure Assessments  
Department of Planning  
GPO Box 39  
SYDNEY NSW 2001  
Fax: (02) 9228 6355  
Email: [david.rohloff@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:david.rohloff@planning.nsw.gov.au)

**Under section 75H of the EP&A Act, the Director-General is required to provide copies of submissions received during the exhibition period, or a report of the issues raised in those submissions, to the Proponent and other interested public authorities. If you do not want your contact details to be made available to the Proponent or these public authorities, please state this in your submission.**

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### Enquiries

David Rohloff (02) 9228 6253

# QUAKERS HILL TO VINEYARD RAIL DUPLICATION PROJECT

## Notice of application for project approval under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

An application has been made to the Minister for Planning by Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation ACN 458 799 157 for project approval under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation notifies the application for project approval under clause 8F(3)(a) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

### APPLICATION DETAILS

Application No: 08\_0037

Proponent: Transport Infrastructure  
Development Corporation

Level 7, Tower A, Zenith Tower

821 Pacific Highway, Chatswood NSW 2067

02 9200 0200

### SITE DESCRIPTION:

The Quakers Hill to Vineyard Duplication Project involves the construction and operation of approximately 10.1 kilometres of new track between Quakers Hill and Vineyard in Sydney's north-west. The track is already duplicated at Riverstone Station and these existing tracks would remain. The proposed new track would require the widening of the existing rail corridor at various locations to accommodate the additional track.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Quakers Hill to Vineyard Duplication Project would be delivered in 2 stages. Stage 1 includes Quakers Hill to the new Schofields Station and would be delivered in 2011. Stage 2, from the new Schofields Station to Vineyard is currently deferred and would be delivered to align with population growth in the region.

### STAGE 1 WORKS INCLUDE:

- A new additional track between Quakers Hill and Schofields.
- A proposed new Schofields Station located approximately 800m south of its existing location including easy access facilities, a car park and a bus interchange.
- Installation of overhead wiring to suit the new track.
- New signalling and communications systems.
- Drainage along the corridor, retaining walls and earthworks.

### STAGE 2 WORKS INCLUDE:

- An upgrade of Riverstone Station, incorporating a pedestrian overpass and easy access facilities.
- A new Vineyard Station near its existing location with improved station facilities, a car park and bus interchange.
- A new additional track between Schofields and Vineyard.
- Installation of overhead wiring to suit the new track.
- New signalling and communications systems.
- Drainage along the corridor, retaining walls and earthworks.

This project is subject to the environmental assessment and public consultation requirements in Division 2, Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, with the details of the exhibition period to be notified by the Department following receipt of the proponent's environmental assessment for the project.



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**A copy of the application for project approval is available on the Department of Planning website (<http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au>) under "Major Project Assessment – Major Project Register".**

# Quakers Hill to Vineyard Duplication Public Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

The Quakers Hill to Vineyard Duplication project will provide an additional rail track between Quakers Hill and Vineyard and includes new stations at Vineyard and Schofields, the replacement of level crossings at Schofields and Quakers Hill and an upgrade of Riverstone Station.

The project will provide capacity for additional peak services on the Richmond Branch Line to cater for future passenger demand.

Stage one works will deliver an additional track and associated track and signal works between Quakers Hill and a new Schofields Station, approximately 800 metres from the current station location.

Subject to project planning approval, stage one works are expected to commence in 2009 with completion in 2011.

Stage two will deliver duplication of the track between the new Schofields Station and Vineyard, including an upgrade to Riverstone Station and a new Vineyard Station. Stage two has been deferred to align with growth in the North West.

The project's Environmental Assessment is seeking planning approval for stage one and two.

## Public Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

An Environmental Assessment has been prepared for the project and is on public exhibition for 30 days from **Wednesday 29 April 2009** at the following locations:

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Cnr West Market and March Street, Richmond
- **NSW Department of Planning**  
23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney
- **Nature Conservation Council of NSW**  
Level 2, 301 Kent Street, Sydney

- **Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation**  
Level 5, Tower A, (Zenith Centre)  
821 Pacific Highway, Chatswood

The Environmental Assessment is also available on TIDC's website at [www.tidc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tidc.nsw.gov.au) and on DVD by request.

The Environmental Assessment includes:

- background information, including the need for the project, its strategic context and the alternatives considered
- a description of the concept design
- assessment and investigations of any potential key environmental impacts
- recommended measures to minimise and manage potential environmental impacts.

## Community Information Session

You are invited to meet with specialists from our project team to find out more about the project and discuss ideas, suggestions and concerns at the following Community Information Session:

- **Saturday 23 May, 9am – 12noon**  
Riverstone Senior Citizen Hall  
Park Street, Riverstone

You may visit the Community Information Session at any time during these hours.

## How can I have my say?

Written submissions on any aspect of the project are invited during the public exhibition period. Written submissions should be sent to:

Quakers Hill to Vineyard Duplication  
Environmental Assessment  
Director, Major Infrastructure Assessments  
NSW Department of Planning  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

**Submissions must be received by  
Monday 1 June 2009.**



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For further information, please call the Project Infoline on  
1800 684 490, email [mail@tidc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@tidc.nsw.gov.au) or visit [www.tidc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tidc.nsw.gov.au)

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- **Thursday 7 May, 7pm – 9pm**  
Schofields Community Centre  
65 Railway Terrace, Schofields
- **Saturday 23 May, 9am – 12noon**  
Riverstone Senior Citizen Hall  
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