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Dear Rob

RE: Sydney Metro City and South West – ER Monthly Reports for March 2026

Healthy Buildings International (HBI) submits this report to the Secretary in accordance with:

- Condition A26 (j) of the Sydney Metro Sydenham to Bankstown Upgrade SSI_8256 Approval (12 December 2018) and associated modifications MOD1_Bankstown Station and Mod 2_Modification to A9, D3 and E53 (2 June 2025).

The attached summaries detail the key activities undertaken by Environmental Representatives for Sydney Metro – City and Southwest, Sydenham to Bankstown for the month of **March 2026**.

Note that this report is separate to the proposed final Environmental Representative Report required to be submitted to the Secretary for the Sydney Metro – City and Southwest, Chatswood to Sydenham for the period of 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026 to be submitted by 29 January 2027.

Yours sincerely

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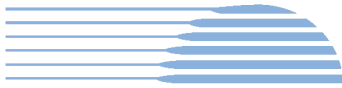


1. [Sydenham to Bankstown – TSOM](#)

Project Approval	Contract Package	EPL	Environmental Representative/s
SSI 8256 (S2B)	Trains, Systems, Operation and Maintenance (TSOM)	JHLOR EPL 21147 – MTR continues to work under JHLOR CEMP, and subplans SSI 8256	Maulik Bapodara
Key Construction Activities During the Period			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Southwest corridor and stations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of field devices and associated cable pulls throughout Metro Service Buildings (MSBs) • Cable hauling from MSB to the station platform building • Cabinet installations continue • Cable hauling from platforms to field equipment devices continue • Installation of field equipment devices throughout the station and surrounding areas • Termination of cables to field equipment • Low Voltage cable energisation works • Testing and commissioning of cabinets • Cable containment installation (Ongoing for some stations) • High Speed testing and commissioning of trains • Testing and commissioning of Public Announcement (PA) Systems (outside standard construction hours), and Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras at platforms 			
Key Construction Activities Look Ahead			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Southwest corridor and stations Marrickville, Dulwich Hill, Hurlstone Park, Canterbury, Campsie, Belmore, Lakemba, Wiley Park, Punchbowl and Bankstown Stations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing and commissioning of field equipment • Dynamic Train Testing activities 			
ER Inspections			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No ER inspections were undertaken for TSOM sites in the period 			
Photos			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No ER inspections were undertaken for TSOM sites in the period 			
Endorsed Document/s			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ER reviewed and endorsed an out-of-hours application for Public Announcement Systems testing works – Rev C on 19 March 2026. OOHW application included testing of the PA system at various locations during periods 1 and 2 outside standard construction hours for maximum of 2 nights per week. The PA system testing was required to be undertaken at evening and night as it coincided with the dynamic train testing. 			
Community Consultation			
The monthly project related notifications were issued between 20 March and 31 March 2026.			
Non-compliance/ Incidents or Repeat Complaints			
<p>Sydney Metro has been providing summaries of complaints to DPHI weekly and a summary to the ER. Responses to each complaint have been noted in each complaint report, with follow up actions often defined in revised reports. Key or repeat items of note are discussed below for the respective projects.</p> <p>There were no incidents for TSOM reported to the ER under condition A36 of SSI 8256.</p> <p>No non-compliances were raised by the ER, Sydney Metro or reported to the ER during the reporting period.</p> <p>Project related complaints:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No complaints were received during the reporting period (similar to the previous month). 			

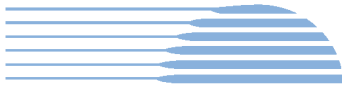


Unrelated Project complaints: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ No unrelated project complaints were received during the reporting period.
Audits
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ No audits were undertaken during this reporting period.
Looking Forward – Core Focus Areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Works at platforms within proximity of heritage listed stations▪ Testing and commissioning of trains and trial running between Sydenham and Bankstown



2. [Southwest Metro Corridor Package 3 \(SWM3\) JHLOR](#)

Project Approval	Contract Package	EPL	Environmental Representative/s
SSI 8256 (S2B)	Southwest Metro Corridor Package 3 (SWM3) JHLOR	#21147	Maulik Bapodara
Key Construction Activities - During the Period			
<p>General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minor works for various disciplines including security gates, earthing and bonding electrical works ongoing ▪ Ness Street, Dulwich Hill - Overhead Crash Beam installation works complete ▪ Security fence repairs nearing completion ▪ Planning underway for pedestrian and cyclist bridge within rail corridor near Ness Street, Dulwich Hill <p>All Corridor Stations (summary):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Services install. Gutter/down pipe installation, UGL wiring & testing of platform doors, internal fit out and painting ▪ Installation of brackets and containment continues. Roofing and painting works nearing completion <p>Other works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Canterbury Compound - Site offices and amenities in operation, ongoing fuel and gas storage ▪ North Terrace Compound, Bankstown: Site offices and amenities, ongoing fuel and gas storage ▪ Belmore Triangle - Laydown area operations ongoing including material stockpiles, concrete and liquid waste management ▪ Punchbowl Station - Platform works nearing completion, landscaping works and retaining wall works ongoing ▪ Campsie - Planning underway for secondary egress works ▪ Marrickville Station – Planning underway for secondary egress works ▪ Canterbury Station – Planning underway for secondary egress works ▪ Lakemba Station – Platform and landscaping works nearing completion ▪ Belmore Station – Platform works ongoing, planning underway for secondary egress works ▪ Wiley Park - Platform works ongoing ▪ Bankstown Station – Plaza works complete, area opened to public. Platform works nearing completion ▪ Ongoing tree impact assessments related to secondary egress works and Corridor Intrusion Detection Systems and Object Detection Systems (CIDS/ODS), pruning, removal and ecologist supervision. Some sections adjacent to Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) and threatened species, e.g. Belmore Station, Bruest Street ramp (Punchbowl), Urunga Parade (Punchbowl), South Terrace (Bankstown) ▪ Vegetation and weed management within the rail corridor ▪ Stockpile management including waste classification, waste tracking, load-in / load-out, management of site accesses and truck routes 			



Key Construction Activities Look Ahead

- Secondary egress works at all locations
- Campsie utilities investigation works
- Charles Street Overhead Crash Beam installation
- Survey and defect inspections at all stations
- Vegetation removal related to JHLOR and CIDS and ODS packages
- Installation of security cameras at various locations within the rail corridor
- Testing and commissioning between Sydenham and Bankstown

ER Inspections

ER inspections are now conducted monthly based on the risk profile. One ER inspection was conducted in the reporting period on 17 March 2026. Minor issue related to graffiti on shade cloth, installation of noise blankets and inadequate controls for the stormwater drains at Dulwich Hill Station Plaza worksite were raised during this inspection which were promptly resolved by the contractor.

Photos



Figure 1 – Dulwich Hill Plaza works completed, area opened to the public.



Figure 2 – Dulwich Hill – Kerb and gutter, landscaping and pavement works ongoing.



Figure 3 – Ness Street, Dulwich Hill – Planning underway for pedestrian/cyclist bridge piling works.



Figure 4 – Hurlstone Park MSB – Environmental controls in place around the stormwater drains.

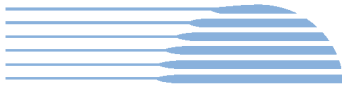


Figure 5 – Campsie Station – Utility relocation works commenced.

Endorsed Document/s

- 13/03/2026 - ER reviewed Station Precinct Tree Report 06 related to Marrickville Station.
- 20/03/2026 to 27/03/2026 – ER reviewed CEMP, CSWMP, CHMP and CNVMP which were revised as part of the six-monthly updates. ER endorsement of these plans as minor amendments will be provided (pending review completion).

Community Consultation

The monthly project related notifications for March 2026 were issued in late February 2026, and further updates were provided on 21 March 2026. Project specific consultation was undertaken with the affected communities regarding out-of-hours works between 20 March and 25 March 2026.

Non-compliance/ Incidents or Repeat Complaints

Summaries of CSW complaints are now received on a weekly basis. Complaints are discussed where relevant below.

No NCRs were raised by the ER or Sydney Metro or reported to ER and SM by JHLOR:

There were no incidents reported to the ER under Condition A36 of SSI 8256.

No Class 3 environmental incidents related to JHLOR were reported.

The ER is aware of the following complaints related to SWM3 package. The number of complaints increased in comparison to the previous month continuing work at all locations.

- Three complaints related to OOHW noise and Vibration
- Four complaints related to Traffic, Transport and Parking
- One complaint related to cumulative impacts
- One complaint related to worker behaviour at Canterbury
- One complaint related to tree removal and noise mitigation measures

Unrelated SWM3 Project complaints:

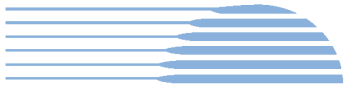
- No unrelated project complaints were received during the reporting period.

Audits

No audits were undertaken during this reporting period.

Summary of Environmental Performance

Environmental risks are generally associated with out of hours works during possessions and maintaining compliance with the Tree Report during the security fence installation. Actions raised during ER inspections are closed out within the agreed timeframe with useful supporting documentary evidence provided.

**Looking Forward – Core Focus Areas**

- Platform works and heritage management
- Overhead Crash Beam installation at Charles St, Canterbury adjacent to VIVA fuel pipeline and heritage listed bridge wingwall
- Management of noise and vibration during out-of-hours work during possessions
- Respite offers related to OOHW at various locations
- Management of tree impacts, Plant Community Types (PCTs) and Threatened Environmental Communities (TECs) during construction of security fencing along the alignment, and maintenance of the buffer zone.



3. [Errant and Hostile Vehicle Mitigation Treatments \(EHVMT\)](#)

Project Approval	Contract Package	EPL	Environmental Representative/s
SSI 8256 (S2B)	Errant and Hostile Vehicle Mitigation Treatments (EHVMT) Martinus Rail	No EPL	Maulik Bapodara
Key Construction Activities - During the Period			
<p>Construction Activities:</p> <p>General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor Ancillary Facilities operating at Belmore • Canterbury Road – Utility relocation works complete • Stacey Street – Handrail installation works remaining to be completed in the coming months <p>Completed sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loch Street • Burwood Road • Moreton Street • Haldon Street • King Georges Road • Punchbowl Road • Livingstone Road • Wardell Road • Duntroon Street • Melford Street • Illawarra Road • Garnett Street • Albermarle Street • Wattle Street/North Terrace • Bruest Place/Kelly Street Punchbowl • Peel St • Railway Pde • Dennis St • Railway Pde • Kier Avenue/Hurlstone Park • Dudley Street 			
Key Construction Activities Look Ahead			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stacey St, Bankstown – Handrail installation works ▪ Canterbury Road, Canterbury – Sydney Water main relocation works 			
ER Inspections			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ER inspections are undertaken based on scope/risk levels of the activities. No ER Inspection was undertaken in March 2026 due to majority of the works having been completed. 			



Photos
No ER inspections were undertaken in the reporting period.
Endorsed Document/s
The ER reviewed and endorsed revision A of OOHW#27 dated 31 March 2026 for April 2026 period which included Sydney Water asset related works at Canterbury. Works are required to be undertaken at night due to road occupancy licence restrictions and include removal of temporary water main provisions, completion of the new City-Side concrete footpath. The Contractor has planned noise intensive activities (jack hammering and saw cutting) to be completed prior to midnight with road occupancy licence commencement from 9pm. One recommendation for alternative accommodation and four recommendations of respite offers were triggered and provided to the affected residents.
Community Consultation
The March Monthly Update notifications were issued in late February 2026, and project specific consultation was undertaken with the affected communities regarding out-of-hours works in late February 2026.
Non-compliance/ Incidents or Repeat Complaints
Since commencement of City metro services passenger operations on Monday 19 August 2024, Sydney Metro is now providing summaries of CSW complaints on a weekly basis (was provided daily until 16 August 2024) to DPHI and ERs covering complaints related to remaining construction works.
There were no non-compliances raised by the ER or reported to the ER during the reporting period. There were no incidents reported to the ER under Condition A36 of SSI 8256. There were no Class 3 environmental incidents reported to the ER during the reporting period.
ER is aware of the following complaints received during the reporting period. The number of complaints was similar to the previous reporting period (five) due to similar OOH activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Three complaints related to OOHW noise and vibration/Business impacts▪ One complaint related to property damage▪ One complaint related to flora and fauna
Unrelated SWM4 Project complaints: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ No unrelated project complaints were received during the reporting period.
Audits
No audits were undertaken during this reporting period.
Looking Forward – Core Focus Areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sydney Water Asset relocation at Canterbury▪ Respite offers related to OOHW at Canterbury▪ Management of noise and dust during out-of-hours works▪ Compliance reporting and completion of conditions and recommended environmental mitigation measures



4. [Sydney Metro Retained Obligations \(SM\)](#)

Project Approval	Contract Package	EPL	Environmental Representative/s
SSI 8256 (S2B)	Sydney Metro Retained Obligations (SM)	Not applicable	Maulik Bapodara Jo Robertson
Key Construction and other Activities			
Ongoing works related to dynamic testing related activities for Southwest including variable speed testing of the metro trains			
ER Inspections			
ER Inspections are undertaken on a scope/risk level of activities. There were no inspections undertaken related to City section as Chatswood Remediation site and Mowbray Road Shared Path works have been completed.			
Endorsed Document/s			
No documents requiring ER endorsement were developed during this period.			
Non-compliance/ Incidents or Repeat Complaints			
<p>Since commencement of First Passenger Service on the City portion of CSW, Sydney Metro now provides summaries of CSW complaints on a weekly basis to DPPI and ERs covering complaints related to remaining construction works. Key or repeat items of note are discussed below for the respective projects, where applicable or under respective CSW packages.</p> <p>No complaints were reported to the ER during the reporting period. No incidents were reported to the ER during the reporting period. No non-compliances were raised by the ER/SM or reported to the ER during the reporting period.</p>			
Audits			
No audits were undertaken during this reporting period.			
Looking Forward – Core Focus Areas			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CTRs for Q3Q4 2025 for SSI7400 and SSI8256 SMRO sections ▪ Testing and Commissioning between Sydenham and Bankstown ▪ Collaborating with MTR and MTS to ensure the required documents are ready for the First Passenger Service. ▪ Sydney Metro has submitted a modification to DPPI in relation to Trial Running activities. This modification would allow for trial running activities to be defined as low impact provided the noise impacts are consistent with the NSW EPA Rail Infrastructure Noise Guidelines. This modification is currently under assessment. 			



5. Statement of Limitations

Healthy Buildings International (HBI) has prepared this report in accordance with the requirements of Condition A24(l) of the Sydney Metro Condition A26(j) of the Sydney Metro Conditions of Approval (CSSI 17_8256).

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