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Upcoming vegetation clearing and the installation of temporary amenities at Parsley Bay

Sydney Water and its delivery partner Abergeldie Complex Infrastructure (ACI) are constructing a new pump station at Parsley Bay. The pump station and supporting infrastructure will redirect untreated wastewater from one of the last remaining ocean outfalls and transfer it to the Bondi treatment plant via new pipelines. This project will improve the coastal water quality and help protect the health of marine ecology by removing untreated wastewater from the ocean.

From **16 August 2024** the project is undertaking vegetation clearing at Parsley Bay and it is expected to take 2 to 3 days, weather permitting. The clearing of vegetation will allow us to complete an assessment of the ground conditions where the new infrastructure will be constructed and help prepare for the construction of the new pipelines connecting to the new pump station.

From **September 2024**, the existing toilet block will be demolished in preparation for the new pump station, and the excavation of the pump station will commence in October 2024. The project will minimise our footprint as much as possible and we have Construction Environmental Management Plans in place to protect the local area. Please visit the project website www.sydneywatertalk.com.au/vaclusediambay for more information.

What's happening

Vegetation clearing

As the project starts to prepare for construction of the pipeline and pump station there is some initial vegetation removal, tree pruning and weed management that is required. Around 17 trees, including a mixture of mature and juvenile will be removed as part of this work. The project is trimming the vegetation along Horler Avenue to allow construction equipment to access the carpark and project site safely. A map is provided on the overleaf which shows which vegetation is being cleared and trees pruned.

All vegetation clearing and pruning will be completed by qualified and certified arborists under the supervision of the project arborist and ecologist. The work areas will also be assessed by arborists prior to any work being carried out.

The project will protect trees that are not being removed by delineating the clearing area on site with fencing or tape prior to vegetation clearing activities commencing. This will ensure there are no impacts to adjacent trees marked for retention, including no impacts to the roots of adjacent trees. The large fig tree next to the existing toilet block will remain, with the project trimming some branches to allow safe access for construction activities. There will be no impact to the fig at the bottom of Horler Avenue.

As the project progresses, the project team will also prepare a landscape management plan with Woollahra Council, including their Bush Regeneration team and local Bushcare group on our plans to rehabilitate the area.

Installation of temporary facilities

The project is installing temporary toilet and shower facilities in the park and no vegetation will be removed in this area. The temporary facilities will be in place prior to the existing toilet block is demolished. Please note that pedestrian access to the park and toilet facilities will be maintained on Horler Avenue.

Equipment

Equipment and machinery to be used for the work include:

- chainsaw
- tip truck
- vac truck
- chipper
- excavator

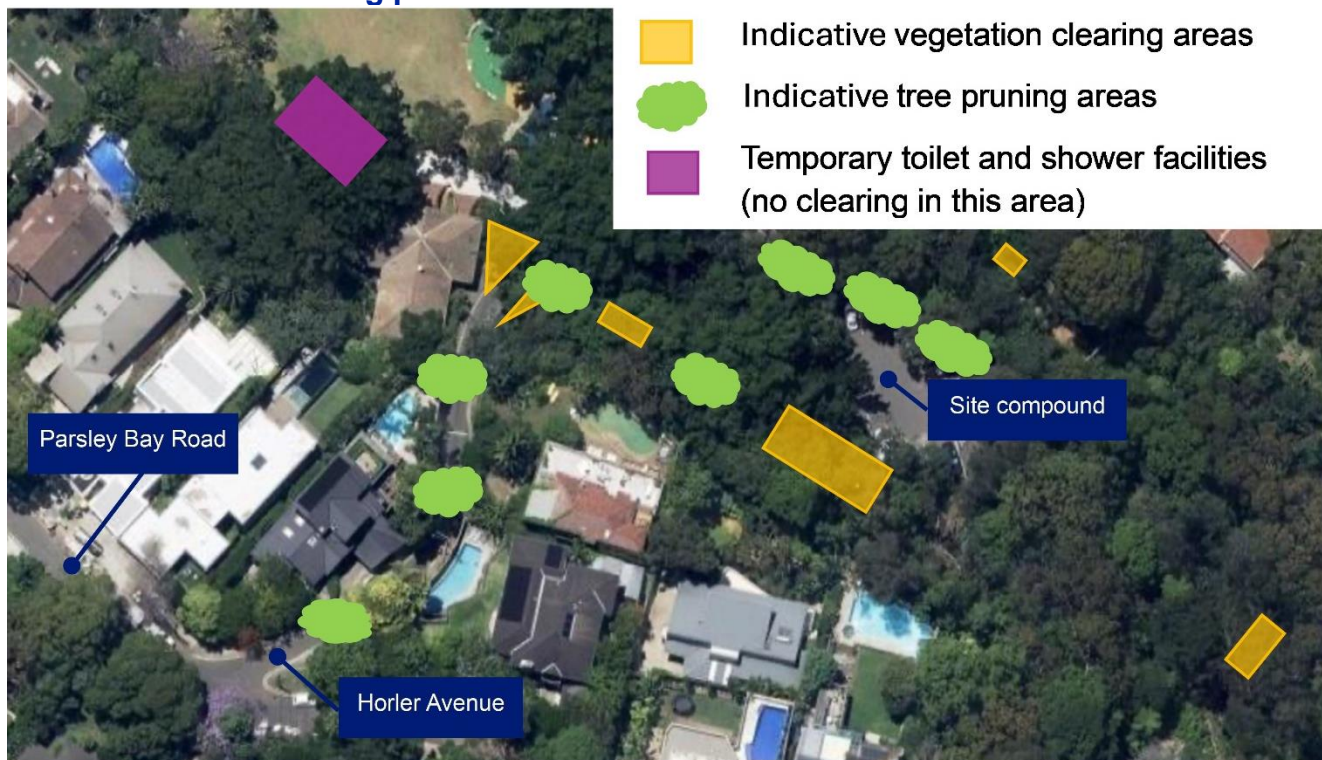
To minimise impacts we will

- ensure all heavy vehicles use the approved direct route to and from Parsley Bay
- install noise blankets around work areas where possible, to minimise noise
- turn off machinery when not in use
- park work vehicles within our site compound, and surrounding streets (not Parsley Road), to reduce impacts to local parking.

Our work hours

Monday to Friday, from 7 am to 6 pm and on **Saturdays from 8 am to 1 pm**. If we need to work outside these hours, we will notify residents in advance.

Where the work is taking place



Contact

We will provide regular updates to the community as the work progresses. If you have any questions, please contact our community engagement team on **1800 641 349** or email us on vauclosediamondbay@sydneywater.com.au.



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