



Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal

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Proposed Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal

The Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal is a proposed facility aimed at enhancing waste management in Sydney by increasing transport efficiency and sustainability. It will collect residual waste from across Sydney, transfer it into sealed containers, and transport it by rail to the Parkes Energy Recovery Facility (PER), reducing dependence on trucks.

Why do we need the Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal?

Cleanaway is taking proactive measures to address Sydney's landfill capacity issues by proposing the Chullora Transfer Terminal, a modern waste transfer facility. This initiative aims to efficiently consolidate residual waste from across the city into sealed rail containers for shipment to the Parkes Energy Recovery Facility. The project is designed to reduce traffic congestion, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance Sydney's waste management infrastructure, contributing to a more sustainable and resilient future for Greater Sydney.

What will the project involve?

The preparation, construction and commissioning of the waste transfer terminal will take approximately 3 years. This includes approval, design and establishing essential infrastructure such as weighbridges, storage bays, loading and unloading areas, and administrative facilities. It also requires installing key equipment such as compactors, conveyors, and safety systems to ensure the safe and efficient handling of waste.

Environmental protection measures such as drainage systems, dust suppression, and pollution control devices are integral to the project. Effective coordination with local authorities, waste management operators, and community stakeholders is crucial to ensure regulatory compliance and minimise environmental impact. Overall, building a waste transfer terminal is a complex endeavor that combines engineering, environmental planning, and operational logistics.

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Korean: “Cleanaway를 인용해 주세요.”

Arabic: مسأ ركذ يچري Cleanaway

Vietnamese: Vui lòng nêu tên Cleanaway

How the Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal works

A controlled, enclosed process that separates inbound receipt, processing and outbound transfer, with environmental and traffic controls embedded at each stage.

Arrival

Residual (or non-recyclable) material arrives via managed freight routes.



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Weighbridge

Pre-approved vehicles and authorised customers pass through the weighbridge.



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Tipping

Material is received inside the enclosed transfer building, where purpose-built controls manage odour, noise and litter.



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Inspection

Material is inspected and any unsuitable items are identified, separated and managed in accordance with waste acceptance protocols.



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Compaction

Material is compacted into sealed containers to contain odour and leachate.



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Loading

Containers are loaded onto trains for transport to the proposed Parkes Energy Recovery Facility (PER).



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Transport / Energy Recovery

Residual material is transported by rail to PER, where it would be managed and used to generate electricity.