

# Former Truegain site - demolition and remediation

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY NOTICE
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The NSW Government has stepped in to resolve the long-term environmental issues at the former Truegain waste oil processing site at Rutherford after compulsorily acquiring the land from its bankrupted former owner who failed to clean up the site.

Property and Development NSW's (PDNSW) Environmental Service Group is leading and managing the clean-up of the property due to its expertise in remediating contaminated land.

PDNSW's aim is to ensure the soil and groundwater surrounding the site is clean and does not pose community or environmental risks. PDNSW and the NSW Environment Protection Authority (NSW EPA) will continue to work together throughout the clean-up and remediation of the site to return it to a safe condition, fit for its industrial zoning.

### What's happened since we last spoke?

The onsite water treatment plant intended to treat and manage stormwater within the site has been constructed/commissioned and is now operational.

During the recent heavy rainfall, we experienced over 400 mm of rain on site. The stormwater was successfully managed, demonstrating that the systems temporarily set up to manage the site and protect the environment are working. During the heavy rainfall, the EPA monitored the site daily, conducted frequent site inspections and were pleased with the management of the site.

We have received lab results back from the first three batches of processed wastewater and they have been cleared. The discharge of processed wastewater into Hunter Water system has now commenced.

#### What you can expect

Over the next few months treated stormwater will be discharged via the Hunter Water sewer system, in accordance with the Site Tradewaste Deed and the Environment Protection Licence and packaged waste will be removed from the site. Activities will occur on weekdays with trucks operating along Kyle Street and within the Rutherford Industrial Estate. On occasion, noise related to vehicle activity may occur. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience. Safety remains our highest priority and we will have measures in place to mitigate any impacts as much as possible.

#### Keeping you up to date

We will keep you informed of various onsite activities and project milestones through door knocking and letter box drops. Project information and updates can also be found on the project website or you can contact us by using the details provided below.

#### **WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

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The project team will work with landowners and communities as a vital part of our planning and consultation work, and we value your input. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us via email (Clare Butterfield) <a href="mailto:cbutterfield@ramboll.com">cbutterfield@ramboll.com</a> or phone 02 4962 5444 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:30pm).

