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GETTING ON WITH THE JOB: NEW CAR PARKS AND INTERCHANGES FOR COMMUTERS

The NSW Government will build nine new commuter car parks, providing more than 1,200 additional car spaces at train stations across the CityRail network, NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell and Minister for Transport Gladys Berejiklian announced today.

The nine new commuter car parks - some with new interchanges - will be built at Granville, Canley Vale, Gordon, Sutherland, Lindfield, Kiama, Moss Vale, Oak Flats and Padstow.

"This will deliver real benefits for commuters and help ease traffic congestion on major roads," Mr O'Farrell said.

"One of the common complaints I hear from commuters is the lack of parking at train stations – now my Government is getting on with the job of delivering," he said.

"The NSW Government continues to get on with the job of delivering the important infrastructure projects that this State desperately needs.

"These brand new projects will make a real difference to the people who use public transport every day and make it a more attractive option for those who don't."

The \$170 million investment in public transport infrastructure includes:

- **Granville**: A car park with 40 additional spaces, with major new bus interchange, new passenger lift, new toilets, estimated to cost \$14 million;
- Sutherland: A car park with 300 additional spaces, estimated to cost \$37 million:
- Padstow: A car park with 89 additional spaces, new passenger lifts, toilets, estimated to cost \$17.5 million;
- Canley Vale: A car park with 70 additional spaces, new Kiss and Ride zone, estimated to cost \$10 million;
- **Kiama**: A car park with 40 additional spaces, estimated to cost \$3 million;
- Moss Vale: A car park with 50 additional spaces, estimated to cost \$2.7 million;
- Oak Flats: A car park with 230 additional spaces, extended bus shelter, new lift, toilets, estimated to cost \$5.7 million.
- **Lindfield**: A car park with 240 additional spaces, new Kiss and Ride zone, estimated to cost \$34 million;
- **Gordon**: More than 160 additional spaces at two locations, upgrade of bus interchange, Kiss and Ride zone, estimated to cost \$44 million;

Ms Berejiklian said customers have been calling for more car parks and this investment is a demonstration the NSW Government has listened.

"A recent survey conducted by Transport for NSW showed customers see commuter parking as a key priority, and that car parks are a key factor when people decide whether or not to use public transport," Ms Berejiklian said.

"The NSW Government is embarking on its 'Fixing the Trains' initiative to overhaul RailCorp and deliver better services, and more car parks will provide further incentives for people to consider using rail."

Lighting and CCTV will be installed as required for each of the projects.

Transport for NSW has now started work on the design, land acquisition and planning approval process for each project. The level of investment required for each, and size of the projects, may change as this detailed work is undertaken.

Minister for Roads Duncan Gay said building new commuter car parks was a key element in helping reduce congestion on our roads.

"Making public transport more accessible will encourage people to leave their car at a train station, and importantly help to reduce congestion in peak periods," said Mr Gay.

"This project shows the State Government is getting on with the job of improving services for our customers."

The Transport Access Program includes more than \$770 million over four years and is now delivering projects that were previously run under six separate programs by different agencies.

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