

PRIVACY COLLECTION NOTICE

Greater Parramatta and Olympic Peninsula (GPOP) Water Cycle Management Project – Community Survey

Your privacy is important to us

RPS is committed to protecting your privacy in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)* and the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs). This Privacy Collection Notice explains what personal information RPS AAP Consulting Pty Ltd (RPS) collects as part of this Community Survey for the Social Impact Assessment (SIA) for the amendment to the Greater Parramatta and Olympic Peninsula (GPOP) Water Cycle Management Project, why we collect it, and how it will be handled.

What we collect

Alongside your feedback and views on the proposed amendment, this survey asks a small number of questions about you and your household to help us understand whether responses reflect a broad cross section of the community. These include:

- Suburb
- Age group
- Gender identity
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status
- Access needs (*for example, disability or mobility*)
- Language spoken at home
- Household composition (*for example, whether your household includes children, an older person, or someone with a disability or ongoing health condition*)

At the end of the survey, you will also be given the option to join the Sydney Water mailing list for project updates. If you choose to opt in, you will be asked to provide your name and email address. Unless you explicitly choose to provide your contact details for this mailing list, this survey does not ask for your name, phone number, or email.

Purpose of collection

This information is collected to analyse community feedback for the SIA, to provide survey results to Sydney Water, and, if you explicitly opt in, to allow Sydney Water to send you future project updates.

Use of information

Your survey responses will be used for aggregated data analysis and reporting only. None of the demographic questions identify you individually. If a combination of your responses could reasonably identify you, for example in a smaller community, RPS will handle that information in line with its strict privacy obligations. If you opt in to the mailing list, your contact details will be separated from your survey responses to ensure your feedback remains anonymous.

Data security

All gathered information is stored securely in Australia on Converlens and accessed only by the RPS project team for SIA delivery. Converlens is an Australian business, and its handling and storage of data are governed by Australian law, in particular the *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)*. Survey data is retained by RPS only until SIA reporting is complete, after which it is securely deleted from Converlens and RPS systems.

Data sharing

All survey results provided to Sydney Water are completely de-identified and aggregated, meaning no individual feedback can be attributed to you. If you choose to opt in to the project mailing list, only your name and email address will be securely transferred to Sydney Water for that specific purpose.

Your choices

Participation is entirely voluntary. All survey questions are optional except the consent acknowledgement and the age eligibility question, both of which are required to proceed. Joining the mailing list is also completely optional.

Who to contact

For questions about how your information is collected or handled, please contact the RPS SIA project lead, Rachel Cogger, at rachel.cogger@rpsconsulting.com or call 02 4940 4227.

- RPS Australia privacy policy: www.rpsgroup.com/privacy/#Ourprivacypolicy
- Sydney Water privacy policy: www.sydneywater.com.au/content/dam/sydneywater/documents/privacy-policy.pdf

Thank you for contributing to the GPOP Water Cycle Management Project Community Survey. Your participation is invaluable to us and to gaining a deeper understanding of community impacts.