


MONTHLY REPORT CITY & SOUTHWEST ACOUSTIC ADVISOR

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Ongoing Issue – Covid-19 pandemic

The NSW government continued with restrictions related to the Covid-19 pandemic situation during January 2021. The Covid Orders relating to construction on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays apply until 25 March 2021.

The AA continues to work with Sydney Metro, DPIE, contractors and the ER to implement appropriate responses to manage these impacts and fulfil the requirements of the Conditions of Approval. In addition to the risks, the Covid-19 situation also continues to present some opportunities, as outlined in previous reports.

Acoustic Advisor Activity

- Review and endorsement of out of hours work (OOHW) applications and extensions for
 - MPISD North and South Waterproofing works
 - PSISD South Hoarding and Shed Install
 - PSISD North Site Shed Installation
 - PSISD South Temporary Power Supply Install and ACM removal
 - MPISD Bligh Street Franna Crane use
 - PSISD North and South Hoarding Graphics Install
 - WLISD January OOH works
 - VCISD South Site Mobilisation Works
 - LWW Surry Hills Investigation Works February 2021
 - WLISD February OOH work
 - CNISD Over size over mass (OSOM) Tower Crane Delivery
 - MPISD North and South Waterproofing works February
- Attendance at Sydney Metro meetings with DPIE, and meetings with TSE, CSM, MPISD and Waterloo ISD contractors.

Inspections, audits and site visits

- CSM Central Station works
- Waterloo ISD
- Night-time walk by 19 January observing some OOH works at VCISD, PSISD, MPISD.

Monitoring status

- Real-time noise and vibration monitoring (with real-time access) ongoing at VCISD, CSM, SSJ, Martin Place ISD north and south, and Pitt Street ISD north and south sites.

Noise and vibration complaints

- Noise and vibration complaints from CSM, PSISD, WLISD, VCISD – dealt with appropriately by contractors – see also Non-compliances, incidents and events below.

Initiatives

- None

Non-compliances, incidents and events

- Event – noise complaint received 15 January in response to faulty activation of an emergency alarm out of hours at Pitt Street North. Corrective action applied by turning off the alarm as soon as site staff received notification.
- Event – noise complaint about sounds of hammering received 16 January during OOH in ground services search at Pitt St North. Incident discussed with team and activities and mitigation measures reviewed. Use of hand tools was approved for the OOH works. Attended noise monitoring will take place during future out-of-hours activities.
- Event – high noise activities were noted by the AA prior to 8am 19 January. Activities were being managed to achieve the levels in CoA E38. However, consultation as per CoA E37 in relation to respite times was ongoing. Corrective action applied by adjusting respite times to exclude high noise activities prior to 8am, pending the outcomes of the consultation.
- Event – complaint 28 January from a commercial building about high noise during netting installation at Victoria Cross south. Corrective action applied by rescheduling works to Saturday morning, as requested by building management to mitigate noise impacts. Investigation ongoing into whether the event is a non-compliance.

Ongoing and upcoming environmental risks

- OOH works at ISD sites through February.

Recommendations (incl auditing):

- None.