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PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE TO BE CONSIDERED IN CENTRAL TO MOORE PARK ACCESS STUDY

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) has awarded the contract for a concept study into improving access between Central railway station and Moore Park for pedestrians and cyclists.

Liberal Duty MLC for Sydney, Don Harwin said RMS will engage Sinclair Knight Merz to carry out the study which will include an assessment of the feasibility of a shared pedestrian and cyclist bridge over Anzac Parade.

“The study will ask community members and stakeholders for their ideas and opinions about access between the railway station and Moore Park,” Mr Harwin said.

“It will provide a detailed look at how the land in this corridor is used at the moment, safety, amenity, accessibility and potential impacts of the proposed project.

"The project aims to provide safe and easy day-to-day access for pedestrians and cyclists, as well as access to and from major events in the precinct.

“It would connect the City of Sydney’s local cycleway network to surrounding local council areas, including those in Randwick, Botany Bay and Waverley, delivering a major missing link in the Metro Sydney Bike Network.

“Safety for students at Sydney Boys and Girls High Schools would be improved by the bridge which would allow them to cross above the road, rather than on it.

“The project would also reduce traffic delays by improving management of crowds attending events and reduce the number of times pedestrians impact the flow of traffic,” Mr Harwin said.

Sinclair Knight Merz is expected to start the study mid-year and RMS aims to release the results by the end of 2012.

“Information on how the community can provide input into the study will be available in the coming months,” Mr Harwin said.

Anyone wanting to register their interest in the study can call the project’s toll-free information line on 1800 052 425.