

## Release of NSW Public Private Partnership Guidelines (2012)

**This circular advises that all NSW Government agencies, including State owned corporations (SOCs), must comply with the *NSW Public Private Partnership Guidelines (2012)* when procuring infrastructure and associated services through Public Private Partnerships (PPPs).**

### Summary:

The *NSW Public Private Partnership (PPP) Guidelines (2012)* supersede the *Working with Government Guidelines for Privately Financed Projects* (NSW Government white Paper, December 2006). The NSW PPP Guidelines apply to all NSW Government agencies, including State owned corporations and public-trading enterprises that are not State-owned corporations, who propose entering into a Public Private Partnership (PPP).

The NSW PPP Guidelines are designed to provide Government agencies, the private sector, advisors and other stakeholders a streamlined guide on the NSW specific requirements for PPP procurement. These guidelines complement the detailed *National Public Private Partnership Guidelines (2008)*.

The NSW PPP Guidelines will typically apply to projects whose principal features include:

- creating public infrastructure assets through private sector financing and ownership control
- a contribution by Government through land, capital works, risk sharing, revenue diversion or other supporting mechanisms
- engaging the private sector for a specific period for the delivery of related services.

The NSW PPP Guidelines are based on the following principles of:

- ensuring PPPs are procured in a professional and transparent manner, minimising tender costs and providing fair opportunity to all prospective private sector participants
- ensuring stable PPP delivery structures, with sustainable debt financing and robust commercial and financial structures
- the Government not guarantying private sector borrowings
- encouraging innovation in the provision of infrastructure and service delivery
- ensuring the timely disclosure of information on contracts and tenders.

The *NSW Public Private Partnership (PPP) Guidelines (2012)* are available on the websites of [NSW Treasury](#) and [NSW Public Private Partnerships](#).

Agencies are advised to familiarise themselves with the NSW PPP Guidelines, which are effective from the date of this Circular.

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