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Two important milestones as Western Sydney Airport site is cleared for construction

In another milestone towards delivery of Western Sydney Airport, the last remaining building was cleared from the site today.

This means the 1,780-hectare Badgerys Creek site has been transformed into a construction zone with preparatory works currently underway – ready for early stage earthworks to commence before the end of 2018.

Today also sees the official commencement of work to relocate 3.2 kilometres of an aboveground high-voltage power line that crosses the site to an underground cable route wholly located within the airport site.

The work is being carried out by TransGrid, the manager and operator of the NSW transmission network.

This project is an Australian first for a 330kV transmission network, using an underground cable to connect two sections of aboveground cable on the same line. This is an innovative solution that supports the construction of the airport while maintaining a safe, reliable electricity supply.

This relocation is critical before the substantial program of works can commence, including moving 22 million cubic metres of earth.

Western Sydney Airport will lead the region's positive transformation over the next decade, attracting businesses and supporting thousands of jobs.

The Turnbull Government is on track to deliver a world-class airport by 2026 that Western Sydney can be proud of.

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