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## KEY FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES TENDER CALLED FOR NORTH WEST RAIL LINK

The next key tender for the North West Rail Link will be called today, Minister for Transport Gladys Berejiklian announced.

Ms Berejiklian said the North West Rail Link project team was seeking a financial and commercial services specialist to help the State Government ensure taxpayers get the best value for money.

"The successful tenderer will be responsible for providing advice on a whole range of finance options," Ms Berejiklian said.

"They will have significant contracting and finance experience and will explore various funding and contract models.

"This will assist the Government to ensure the new rail line is built by the best people at the best price."

Ms Berejiklian said the 23 kilometre rail line was a priority for the NSW Government.

"We are getting on with the job of delivering a rail service for the booming north west – an area ignored by Labor for 16 years," she said.

"The O'Farrell Government will deliver this line to the people Labor forgot."

The successful financial and commercial services tenderer will also assist in the development and assessment of major construction tenders for the project.

The tenderer will work with the project team to consult with major construction groups, banks and major infrastructure investment groups.

That consultation will identify industry capacity and capability to deliver this major infrastructure project in line with international best practice.

The financial and commercial services tender will close on July 4.

It is the second key North West Rail Link tender to open in the last fortnight, with the tender for a range of key professional services including engineering, rail systems, architecture and cost planning closing next Tuesday (June 14).