

BRIEFING DETAILS

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| BRIEFING DATE / TIME | Tuesday, 10 November 2020, 10.33am – 11.06am |
| LOCATION | Teleconference |

BRIEFING MATTER(S)

PPSSTH-16 – Bega Valley – 2019.359 – 371 ARTHUR KAINE DRIVE MERIMBULA 2548 – Merimbula Airport Upgrade (Runway Extension) - construction and operation of extended runway in two stages. Stage 1 being a 120 metre extension of the runway pavement at both ends of the existing runway

Stage 2 being a further 80m extension of the runway pavement at both ends of upgraded Stage 1 runway

PANEL MEMBERS

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| IN ATTENDANCE | Gordon Kirkby (Chair), Renata Brooks, Tim Fletcher |
| APOLOGIES | |
| DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | Cr Russell Fitzpatrick, Cr Mitchell Nadin |

OTHER ATTENDEES

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| COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF | Mick Fallon, Mark Fowler, Lauren Rose, Jasmine Tranquille |
| OTHER | Michelle Burns, Amanda Moylan |

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Stage 2 justification and potential impacts. In particular the lack of certainty with regard to timing of Stage 1 and the future the future environment Stage 2 would be constructed and operated in.
- Stage 2 biodiversity offsets
- Operational noise impacts associated with larger aircraft and potential future growth of Merimbula
- Changes to hydrodynamic environment of wetlands to the south of the runway and potential impacts on oyster leases and biodiversity
- Clarification of status and impact of oyster leases to the south of the development
- Clarification of status of proposed offsets under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2018 v Fisheries Management Act 1994*.
- Water quality
- Aboriginal cultural heritage
- Visual Impact
- Acid Sulfate Soils

The Panel expressed concern regarding the proposed Stage 2 component of the development. The Panel's concerns relate to the lack of detail on the timing and potential environmental impacts. The Panel is of the view that it would be more appropriate for the Stage 2 component to be the subject of a separate

development application in the future, such that the impacts of that stage could be assessed in the context of the actual impacts of the Stage 1 operations.

TENTATIVE PANEL MEETING DATE: February 2020