SD: South. Region

NATURAL RESOURCES and MINES

Ministerial Correspondence Action Sheet

MINISTERIAL REFERENCE	DEPT REFERENCE
MO/14/0442.	

DATE RECEIVED MINISTER'S OFFICE 15 FEB 2014

☑ Response Letter

- ☐ For reply under Minister's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Assistant Minister's signature
- ☑ For reply under Chief of Staff's signature
- ☐ For reply under Senior Policy Advisor's signature (Andrew Freeman)
- ☐ For reply under Policy Advisor's signature (Matthew Van Horen)
- ☐ For departmental response under DG's signature

☐ Referral Letter

- ☐ Minister's signature
- ☐ Chief of Staff's signature

Category

- ☐ Complaint/Compliment/ Enquiry
- ☐ Request /FYI

- ☐ Briefing note
- ☐ Dot points
- ☐ FYI/No reply
- ☐ Dept to contact author

CTS 04310/14

RECEIVED
24 FEB 2014
DNRM CORRO

MINISTER'S OFFICE COMMENTS

To department for response please. TKS
Copies given to COS. SPA

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd

12 February 2014

The Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines
P.O. Box 15216
City East QLD 4002

RE: Noosa Council as trustees for the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve (more commonly known as the Teewah Airstrip) under the Land Act 1994

Dear Minister,

As Directors and owners of Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd we have recently been formally advised by the new Noosa Council (copy attached) that helicopters are no longer permitted to land at the Teewah Airstrip more correctly known as the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve. We understand that Councils decision is based upon aircraft noise affecting residential developments located up to 5 miles to the South of the Airstrip. We have been operating at this airstrip for over 18 years with other helicopter operators being there over 30 years.

Our Company injects over $50 million into the local economy each year with over 70 full time employees. Council's decision significantly affects our helicopter training school as landing grounds (airports) suitable for training that are located away from urban developments are limited and getting harder as more residential developments are approved in and around other local airports to the south including the Sunshine Coast, Caloundra, Caboolture and Redcliffe airports making them almost unusable for training.

We understand that the Noosa Council act as trustees under the Land Act 1994, whereby under section 46 (1) (a). The gazetted purpose of the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve is as a landing ground for aircraft. The Act describes the trustees' functions to manage the Teewah land consistent with the purpose of the trust.

Therefore, we understand that Noosa Council's prohibition on the landing of aircraft at the Noosa North Shore Landing Reserve and replacing this with model aircraft is a breech as trustee under the Land Act 1994. We would be grateful if you would investigate this breech of the Act with a view to again allowing aircraft to land at the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve as has been its purpose since it was incepted in 1948.

We believe that Noosa Council's decision has not met its objectives in preventing aircraft from flying over residential developments in the Noosa area as all aircraft are still able to legally overfly these areas under CASA regulation.

In order to assist Council in meeting its noise abatement objectives, we are willing to direct our Company pilots to refrain from flying directly over the Teewah community and the Noosa North Shore Resort and Noosa (proper) and Tewantin any lower than 1500 feet by day or night.

I look forward to your response and determination.
Yours sincerely

sch4p4(6) Personal information

Mike Becker

Director and Chief Pilot Becker Helicopters

Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd
P.O. Box 9165 Pacific Paradise BC QLD 4564 Australia
Phone: 61 (07) 54489888 Fax: 61 (07) 54507266
Email: mb@beckerhelicopters.com
Web: www.beckerhelicopters.com

Published on Resources Disclosure Log FOI Act 2009

NOOSA COUNCIL

Office: Anne Wilson
Direct Telephone: 07 5329 6500
Response Address: PO Box 141, Tewantin QLD 4565

20 January, 2014

Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd
PO Box 9165
PACIFIC PARADISE QLD 4564

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Closure to helicopters

Noosa Council is trustee of the Reserve for Landing of Aircraft located on the Noosa North Shore and in October 2006 closed the Aeroplane Landing Area within the reserve to aeroplanes.

At its Ordinary Meeting on 2 January 2014, Noosa Council resolved to further restrict use of the Aeroplane Landing Area by closing it to all private and commercial helicopter and fixed wing aircraft. The closure is effective immediately and excludes helicopter usage by emergency services for emergency operational landings and limited local area familiarisation and training.

The decision was made for a number of reasons including but not limited to the:

- high number of noise complaints received by local Councillors and the State Member;
- understanding that alternative areas for helicopter training, as identified on the attached map, are now available on the Sunshine Coast. Note: approval for their usage is required from the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR);
- fact that the landing ground is surrounded by the Great Sandy Region National Park – Coolcola Section and is within a declared Recreation Area. (In this regard the DNPRSR Operational Policy Visitor Management Landing Aircraft and Recreation Craft in Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service Managed Areas is applicable. A full copy of the Operational Policy can be downloaded at www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/register/p01097aa.pdf); and
- actions contained within the Great Sandy Region Management Plan 1994 (reviewed in September 2005) and the October 2003 Noosa North Shore Management Plan.

If you require clarification regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Anne Wilson on 5329 6500, or via email anne.wilson@noosa.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

Bruce Davidson
Acting CEO

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Ref CTS 09002/12
M9832012

26 JUL 2012

Mr Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
and Multicultural Affairs Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE DC QLD 4566

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter of 22 June 2012 regarding the future of the landing ground for an aircraft reserve located on the Noosa North Shore.

As previously advised in my letter of 31 May 2012, I have requested that further discussions occur between the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to determine the area of the reserve that is to be dedicated as national park and the area that is to be utilised as the landing ground.

I note your concerns in relation to the future operational use of the landing ground. I can advise that the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection will now be involved in, and has offered to facilitate a meeting to resolve all issues, including the concerns you have raised. I understand that the meeting is proposed to be held in July/August 2012.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Ms Susan McDonald, Chief of Staff, will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 3225 1861.

Yours sincerely

sch4p4(6) Personal information

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

SD South.

NATURAL RESOURCES and MINES
Ministerial Correspondence Action Sheet

MINISTERIAL REFERENCE	DEPT REFERENCE
M08392013	12050/13

DATE RECEIVED MINISTER'S OFFICE: 27 MAY 2013

☐ Response Letter

- ☐ For reply under Minister's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Assistant Minister's signature
- ☐ For reply under Chief of Staff's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Senior Policy Advisor's signature (Andrew Freeman)
- ☐ For reply under the Policy Advisor's signature (Dan Hall)
- ☐ For departmental response under DG's signature

☐ Referral Letter

- ☐ Minister's signature
- ☐ Chief of Staff's signature

Category

Complaint / Compliment / Enquiry / Request / FYI

☐ Briefing note

☐ Dot points

☑ FYI / No reply

☐ Dept to contact author

RECEIVED
27 MAY 2013
DNRM CORRO

MINISTER'S OFFICE COMMENTS

Ref CTS 07309/13

RECEIVED
27/5/13

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Powell MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Ref CTS 09679/13

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0844
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2496
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au

23 MAY 2013

B/C Chief of Staff to the
Honourable Steve Dickson MP
Minister for National Parks,
Recreation, Sport and Racing
PO Box 15187
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Chief of Staff to the
Honourable Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 15216
CITY EAST QLD 4002

The Honourable Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and
Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE DC QLD 4566

Referred by direction for direct reply. Copy of the inwards correspondence is attached.

Troy Collings
Chief of Staff

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter of 19 April 2013 concerning helicopter activities within a national park and the Teewah Landing Ground.

Your correspondence raised concerns regarding the use of two different land tenure types—a national park administered under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NCA) and a landing ground reserve administered under the *Land Act 1994* (LA). As the responsibility for NCA tenures falls within the portfolio responsibilities of our Cabinet colleague, the Honourable Steve Dickson MP, Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing, a copy of your correspondence has been passed on to him with a request that a reply be forwarded to you at the earliest opportunity.

With regard to the landing ground reserve at Teewah, you may be aware that officers from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection have previously engaged with a range of relevant parties to resolve this tenure issue. However, whilst I support the land's inclusion into the adjoining national park, any such gazettal is subject to our Cabinet colleague, the Honourable Andrew Cripps MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, agreeing to cancel the LA reserve's tenure and Minister Dickson supporting its dedication as national park. For this reason, a copy of your correspondence has also been referred to Minister Cripps for necessary action.

I hope this information has been of assistance to you. Should you have further enquiries, please contact my Chief of Staff, Mr Troy Collings on 3239 0844.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED

ANDREW POWELL MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

RECEIVED
27 MAY 2013
OFFICE OF THE QLD MINISTER
NATURAL RESOURCES AND MINES

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Glen Elmes MP

MEMBER FOR NOOSA

COPY



OFFICE OF THE QLD MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION
02 MAY 2013

19 April 2013

Hon Andrew Powell MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection
GPO Box 2454
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Your Ref CTS 09060/12; CTS 09161/12

Dear Minister ANDREW

I refer to previous correspondence in regard to the pressing matter surrounding Teewah Landing Ground.

For your further information and investigation, I enclose copies of photographs which show quite clearly damage done to the airstrip by the constant landing of helicopters but most importantly, I draw your attention to the two photographs that show a helicopter flying below tree level through the National Park.

I ask again that every effort be applied as quickly as practicably possible to have the revocation of this parcel of land completed.

Your comments and advice would be welcome.

MATE
Could You Let Me Know
WHERE WE ARE UP TO

Yours sincerely

sch4p4(6) Personal information

sch4p4(6) Personal information

HON GLEN ELMES MP
Member for Noosa
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander & Multicultural Affairs
Minister Assisting the Premier

www.glenelmes.com
Suite CB05, Noosa Civic,
28 Eenie Creek Road, Noosaville Qld 4566
PO Box 1849, Noosaville DC Qld 4566
P 5449 8988 Toll Free 1800 818 396
E noosa@parliament.qld.gov.au
F 5449 9719

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Coolcola National Park



Telstra Elevated Ground Area



Helicopter Flying in National Park on Northern Side of Runway 21/8.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
FA Act 2009

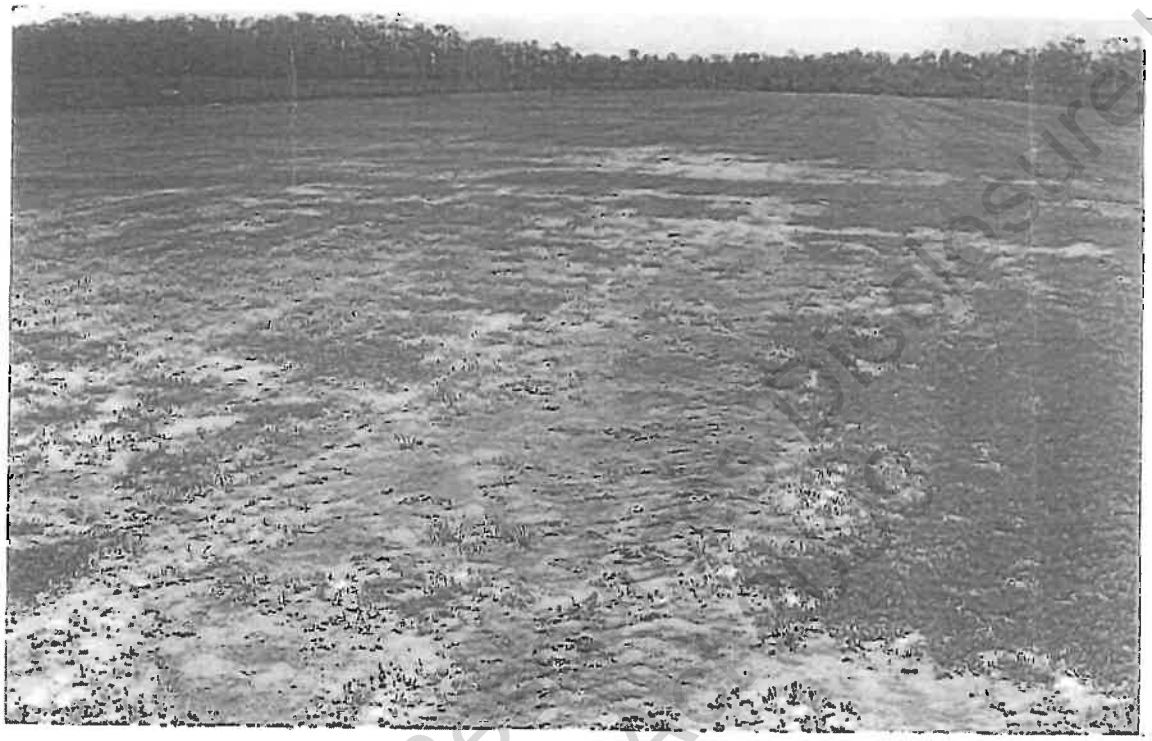
TEELIAH LAGOON CAIRNS



(SIGNS OF MELICOPTER LANDING IN FRONT OF HANGAR (DANGEROUS)

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Teeman Air Strip





Published on RTI Act Disclosure Log

Below is A Runway. Damage Now Much Worse

No Date



Teelman Airstrip ↑ ↓

15-11-11



Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

EVIDENCE OF HELICOPTERS LANDING @ TEELIN AIRSTRIP 8-8-08



Published Records Disclosure Log

Date : 13/07/2020 1:50:16 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : FW: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground
Attachment : image001.png;image002.jpg;
31/5/2012 Corro email Luke Navie re meeting

Queensland Government

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au



From: Navie Luke
Sent: Thursday, 31 May 2012 1:23 PM
To: Halls Matthew
Cc: Belcher Ross
Subject: RE: Noos North Shore Landing Ground

Hi Matthew,

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. Would it be possible to defer this meeting a few weeks beyond the 12/13 June date you've provided? I won't be available until this time (i.e. late June).

Thanks
Luke

From: Belcher Ross
Sent: Wednesday, 30 May 2012 10:22 AM
To: Halls Matthew; Navie Luke
Cc: Butler Suzanne
Subject: RE: Noos North Shore Landing Ground

Gday Matthew and Luke,

I have blocked out Tue 12 June as it is the only day I have time to drive down from Maryborough and back.

Cheers, Ross

Ross Belcher
Regional Manager, Great Sandy Region
Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service
Telephone: (07) 4121 1855; **Fax:** (07) 4121 1650
E-mail: ross.belcher@derm.qld.gov.au
www.derm.qld.gov.au

Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport & Racing
Cnr Lennox & Alice Streets, Maryborough Qld 4650
PO Box 101, Maryborough Qld 4650

From: Halls Matthew
Sent: Monday, 28 May 2012 1:14 PM
To: Belcher Ross; Navie Luke
Subject: Noos North Shore Landing Ground Meeting request in regard to NNS Landing Ground SLAM

Good afternoon,

As you are both aware we are trying to organise a meeting in regard to the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground and its future use and tenure.

I have two potential dates for a meeting here in the Nambour office, they are 12 or 13 June 2012.

Can you both please advise your availability for those dates?

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Luke, Ross has indicated that it might be a good idea to have a pre-meeting between SLAM, Pacts and QPWS before SCRC enter the meeting so we should set aside maybe an hour before the main meeting that includes SCRC.

Please advise your availability as soon as possible.

Regards

Matthew Halls
Land Administration Officer
State Land Asset Management
Telephone: (07) 54 512 273 **Facsimile:** (07) 54 512 260

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

CTS No. 04823/12

Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
MINISTERIAL BRIEFING NOTE

Chief of Staff [redacted] K
Dated 18/6/12
Approved Not Approved Noted
Further information required
Minister.....
Dated 18/6/12

TO: **Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection**

SUBJECT: **Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Minister:

- **note** previous actions taken by the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) to facilitate the inclusion of the Landing Ground Reserve into the surrounding Great Sandy National Park in accordance with a 1992 Cabinet decision.
- **sign** the letter (Attachment 1) to the Honourable Glen Elmes MP in response to correspondence dated 13 April 2012 (Attachment 2) and 10 May 2012 (Attachment 3) advising of the current status of the proposal and endorsing further discussions on the future of the Reserve.

BACKGROUND

- In 1992, Cabinet endorsed recommendations made by Tony Fitzgerald QC, chair of an enquiry established to resolve land management and other issues affecting the Great Sandy region. These recommendations were summarised in the Great Sandy Region Management Plan (the Plan) prepared in 1994, a document also endorsed by Cabinet. One issue outlined in the Plan concerned future tenure options for a Reserve for Landing Ground Purposes (LGR) located on Noosa North Shore. The Plan stated that the LGR should be cancelled and the land added to the surrounding Great Sandy National Park.
- Inclusion of the LGR into the national park is part of a suite of tenure actions affecting Noosa North Shore. Other actions include the addition of parcels of unallocated State land into the national park, rationalising road reserve opening and closure actions to recognise long-standing track uses, and the revocation of part of the Great Sandy Resources Reserve to facilitate gazetted access through the Resources Reserve and expand an adjoining Camping Ground Reserve held in trusteeship by Sunshine Coast Regional Council (SCRC).
- A large number of the proposed State land additions and road actions have already occurred and revocation of part of the Resources Reserve has already received Parliamentary assent, with the approval of the Governor-in-Council the final requirement to complete that process.
- However, the finalisation of the recommendation concerning the LGR was delayed, initially because of the emergence of native title considerations after the preparation of the Plan, and more recently because of the matter being reconsidered by SCRC and the Department of Natural Resource and Mines.

CURRENT ISSUES

- The Honourable Glen Elmes MP sought advice in two recent letters (Attachment 1 and Attachment 2) as to the status of the proposal to include the LGR into the Great Sandy National Park. Minister Elmes indicated his desire for the terms as outlined in the 1992 Cabinet Decision to be adhered to, provided adequate arrangements are made for activities intended to be undertaken on the LGR to continue.
- Inclusion of the LGR into the national park would require the existing Reserve to be cancelled to become unallocated State land under section 33 of the *Land Act 1994*, an action for which the Honourable Andrew Cripps MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines is now responsible. To enable consideration of this option, the former Minister for Environment sought support for the Reserve's cancellation from the former Minister for Natural Resources.

Rec'd - ODG
12 JUN 2012

Author	Cleared by	Cleared by	Recommended:
Name: Luke Navie Position: A/Team Leader Tel No: 3330 5341 Date: 25 May 2012	Name: Tim Ellis Position: Director, Property and Conservation Tenure Services Tel No: 3330 5391 Date: 04 June 2012	Name: Geoff Clare Position: GM Sustainable Landscapes Tel No: 3330 5390 Date: 08 June 2012 Name: Terry Wall Position: Associate DG Tel No: 3330 6240 8.6.12	Name: Andrew Chesterman Director-General Tel No: 3330 6298 Date: 12/6/12

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

- Minister Dickson has recently received advice from Minister Cripps that he does not support cancellation of the entire Reserve for subsequent inclusion into the Great Sandy National Park (Attachment 4). Minister Cripps has instead suggested that discussions should be held between representatives from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and SCRC to determine which areas of the Reserve can be cancelled for gazettal as national park. Minister Elmes has indicated his willingness to be involved in such discussions.
- *Preferred Option*: It is proposed that EHP, as lead agent for National Park dedications, will facilitate and be actively involved in these discussions. It is also recommended that the Honourable Glen Elmes, Member for Noosa, be invited to these discussions.

MINISTER'S COMMENTS

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

ATTACHMENTS

- Att 1 – Response letter to Glen Elmes MP for CTS 04823/12 and CTS 06318/12
- Att 2 – Incoming letter from Glen Elmes MP CTS 04823/12 dated 13 April 2012
- Att 3 – Incoming letter from Glen Elmes MP CTS 06318/12 dated 10 May 2012
- Att 4 - Minister Cripps' advice concerning request to cancel Reserve tenure

Author	Cleared by	Cleared by	Recommended:
Name: Luke Navie Position: A/Team Leader Tel No: 3330 5341 Date: 25 May 2012	Name: Tim Ellis Position: Director, Property and Conservation Tenure Services Tel No: 3330 5391 Date: 04 June 2012	Name: Geoff Clare Position: GM Sustainable Landscapes Tel No: 3330 5390 Date: 08 June 2012 Name: Terry Wall Position: Associate DG Tel No: 3330 6240	Name: Andrew Chesterman Director-General Tel No: 3330 6298 Date:

Hon Andrew Powell MP
Member for Glass House

Queensland Government

Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

Ref CTS 04823/12

20 JUN 2012

Mr Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE BC QLD 4566

Dear ~~Minister~~ Glen

Thank you for your letters of 13 April and 10 May 2012 making representation on behalf of Peter and Jennifer Schofield, concerning use of the old Teewah Landing Strip on the Noosa North Shore.

As you may be aware, the Reserve for Landing Ground Purposes within which the Teewah Landing Strip is located is held in trusteeship by the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (SCRC). Whilst including all or part of the Reserve into the surrounding Great Sandy National Park in accordance with the 1992 Cabinet decision remains a priority for the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP), there remain some tenure and land use issues that must first be resolved before the gazettal process can commence. These issues include converting the Reserve to a tenure appropriate for dedication as a national park, as well as determining how those activities currently undertaken on the Reserve can continue post-gazettal.

EHP is continuing to work with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (NRM) and SCRC to reach an appropriate outcome. Your input to these discussions would be most welcome, as I note with appreciation your efforts to identify alternative locations for activities such as ultra light plane use and helicopter training currently occurring on the land. A meeting involving representatives from NRM, SCRC and the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing will be held in the near future to determine a way forward on this important issue.

With regard to your comments about noise emanating from the Reserve, I am advised that transport noise, including noise from aircraft movement, is excluded from the environmental nuisance provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* and is therefore not regulated by EHP. Complaints regarding nuisance noise generated by aircraft movements are managed under federal safety legislation. Air Services Australia deals with complaints and enquiries about aircraft noise and operations through its Noise Complaints and Information Service. Complaints can be made to the Air Services Australia Complaint Hotline by calling 1800 802 584 or online at <www.airservicesaustralia.com/aircraftnoise/about-making-a-complaint/role-of-the-noise-enquiry-unit/>.

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane Qld 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0844
Facsimile +61 7 3227 6309
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI 19-433

Please note that I have also forwarded a copy of your letters to the Honourable Steven Dickson MP, Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing for his information.

I hope this information is of assistance when replying to your constituents. Should you have any further enquiries, please contact my Chief of Staff, Mr Troy Collings on 3239 0844.

Yours sincerely

ANDREW POWELL MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Powell MP
Member for Glass House

Queensland Government

Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

Ref CTS 04823/12

COPY

20 JUN 2012

Mr Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE BC QLD 4566

B/C Chief of Staff to the
Honourable Steven Dickson MP
Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing
GPO Box 806
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Copy of the inwards correspondence is attached for your information.

Troy Collings
Chief of Staff

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letters of 13 April and 10 May 2012 making representation on behalf of Peter and Jennifer Schofield, concerning use of the old Teewah Landing Strip on the Noosa North Shore.

As you may be aware, the Reserve for Landing Ground Purposes within which the Teewah Landing Strip is located is held in trusteeship by the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (SCRC). Whilst including all or part of the Reserve into the surrounding Great Sandy National Park in accordance with the 1992 Cabinet decision remains a priority for the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP), there remain some tenure and land use issues that must first be resolved before the gazettal process can commence. These issues include converting the Reserve to a tenure appropriate for dedication as a national park, as well as determining how those activities currently undertaken on the Reserve can continue post-gazettal.

EHP is continuing to work with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (NRM) and SCRC to reach an appropriate outcome. Your input to these discussions would be most welcome, as I note with appreciation your efforts to identify alternative locations for activities such as ultra light plane use and helicopter training currently occurring on the land. A meeting involving representatives from NRM, SCRC and the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing will be held in the near future to determine a way forward on this important issue.

With regard to your comments about noise emanating from the Reserve, I am advised that transport noise, including noise from aircraft movement, is excluded from the environmental nuisance provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* and is therefore not regulated by EHP. Complaints regarding nuisance noise generated by aircraft movements are managed under federal safety legislation. Air Services Australia deals with complaints and enquiries about aircraft noise and operations through its Noise Complaints and Information Service. Complaints can be made to the Air Services Australia Complaint Hotline by calling 1800 802 584 or online at <www.airservicesaustralia.com/aircraftnoise/about-making-a-complaint/role-of-the-noise-enquiry-unit/>.

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane Qld 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0844
Facsimile +61 7 3227 6309
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Please note that I have also forwarded a copy of your letters to the Honourable Steven Dickson MP, Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing for his information.

I hope this information is of assistance when replying to your constituents. Should you have any further enquiries, please contact my Chief of Staff, Mr Troy Collings on 3239 0844.

Yours sincerely

ANDREW POWELL MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 2:16:14 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : FW: Copy of letter sent to helicopter businesses re closure of Teewah Airstrip
Attachment :
Teewah_MM1_20.01.2014_Contact_List.xlsx;Teewah_MM1_20.01.2014_Letters.docx;image001.gif;image002.png;image003.jpg;
Email to DNRM from Council re Helicopter Business

Queensland Government

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au

DNRME

From: Anne Wilson <Anne.Wilson@noosa.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 28 January 2014 10:04 AM
To: O'Malley Martin; Bakhach Omar; Halls Matthew
Subject: Copy of letter sent to helicopter businesses re closure of Teewah Airstrip

Hi

Please find attached a copy of the letter (word doc) sent to helicopter operators that we were able to identify within the area (excel doc)

Martin please note that Mike Becker might give you a call regarding the map (page 2 of word doc).

Kind Regards

Anne Wilson
Strategic Planner I Noosa Council

Phone: 07 5329 6593 ext: 6593
Email: anne.wilson@noosa.qld.gov.au
Website: www.noosa.qld.gov.au
Location: Level 3, 9 Pelican Street, Tewantin
Mail: PO Box 141 Tewantin Qld 4565

NOOSA COUNCIL

Please consider the environment before printing this email

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Name	Company	Address1
John McDermott, Owner	McDermott Aviation	PO Box 600
		5 Friendship Avenue Sunshine
Graeme Gillies, Owner	Blue Tongue Helicopter Services	Coast Airport
Mike Becker, Director	Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd	PO Box 9165
	Airwork Helicopters	PO Box 857
	Chopperline Flight Training	12 Pathfinder Drive
	Rotor Research	PO Box 218
	Heli-Centre	8 Pathfinder Avenue
	Red Balloon Helicopter Training	179 Harris Street
		Hangar 219
	V2 Helicopters	Qantas Avenue
	Advanced Flight Theory Pty Ltd	PO Box 5660
	Royal QLD Aero Club	PO Box 41
	RACQ CareFlight Rescue Helicopters	PO Box 5078
	Energex Rescue Helicopter	David Low Way
	AGL Action Rescue	David Low Way
		Building 25 Qantas
	Flight Training Australia	Avenue
	Arena Aviation	Grenier Drive
	Sunshine Aviation	116 Atkinson Road
	Redcliffe Aero Club	1 Wirraway Drive
	Maroochy Aero Club	Sunshine Coast Airport
	Suncoast Flying Services	Sunshine Coast Airport
	Gliding Adventure Flights	PO Box 259
	Caboolture Aero Club	Aerodrome Road
	Queensland Aviation Services	Caloundra Airport
	Chopperline Flight Training	12 Pathfinder Avenue
Phil Laffer, Chief Pilot	Aeromil Pacific Sunshine Coast	Sunshine Coast Airport
Dave Cookman, Vice President	Sunshine Coast Hang Gliding Club	
	Sunshine Coast Helicopter Rescue	
Dave Donaldson, CEO	Service	David Low Way
John Knaggs CEO	Sunshine Coast Council	Locked Bag 72
Peter Pallot General Manager	Sunshine Coast Airport	Locked Bag 72

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Address2	Address3	PHONE NO	FAX NO
COOROY	QLD 4563	(07) 5447 6600	(07) 5447 6336
MUDJIMBA	QLD 4564	(07) 5448 8166	(07) 5448 8447
PACIFIC PARADISE	QLD 4564	(07) 5474 0066	(07) 5450 7266
CABOOLTURE	QLD 4510	(07) 5495 8000	(07) 5495 8008
CALOUNDRA	QLD 4551	(07) 5491 8588	(07) 5491 8519
WURTULLA	QLD 4575	(07) 5419 1332	
CALOUNDRA	QLD 4551	(07) 5491 4802	
PRYMONT	NSW 2009	1300 875 500	
ARCHERFIELD	QLD 4108	(07) 3274 6666	(07) 3274 6777
MAROOCHYDORE	QLD 4558	(07) 5448 7770	(07) 5448 9396
ARCHERFIELD	QLD 4108	(07) 3722 3200	(07) 3875 1639
ROBINA	QLD 4230	(07) 5553 5999	(07) 5553 5901
MARCOOLA	QLD 4564	(07) 5448 7777	(07) 5448 7660
MARCOOLA	QLD 4564	(07) 5458 8700	
ARCHERFIELD	QLD 4108	(07) 3277 8544	(07) 2375 1509
ARCHERFIELD	QLD 4108	(07) 3277 6566	
BLI BLI	QLD 4560	(07) 5450 0516	
KIPPA RING	QLD 4021	(07) 3203 1777	
MUDJIMBA	QLD 4564	(07) 5448 8458	
MUDJIMBA	QLD 4564	(07) 5448 7330	(07) 5449 9681
CABOOLTURE	QLD 4510	1300 667 042	
CABOOLTURE	QLD 4551	(07) 5495 3882	
CALOUNDRA	QLD 4551	(07) 5492 7040	
CALOUNDRA	QLD 4551	1800 072 118	
MUDJIMBA	QLD 4564	(07) 5448 8700	(07) 5448 7070
MUDJIMBA	QLD 4564	(07) 5485 8700	
SCMC	QLD 4560		
SCMC	QLD 4560		

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Officer: Anne Wilson
Direct Telephone: 07 5329 6593
Response Address: PO Box 141, Tewantin
QLD 4565

20 January, 2014

John Knaggs, CEO
Sunshine Coast Council
Locked Bag 72
SCMC QLD 4560

Dear John,

Re: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Closure to helicopters

Noosa Council is trustee of the Reserve for Landing of Aircraft located on the Noosa North Shore and in October 2006 closed the Aeroplane Landing Area within the reserve to aeroplanes.

At its Ordinary Meeting on 2 January 2014, Noosa Council resolved to further restrict use of the Aeroplane Landing Area by closing it to all private and commercial helicopter and fixed wing aircraft. The closure is effective immediately and excludes helicopter usage by emergency services for emergency operational landings, and limited local area familiarisation and training.

The decision was made for a number of reasons including but not limited to the:

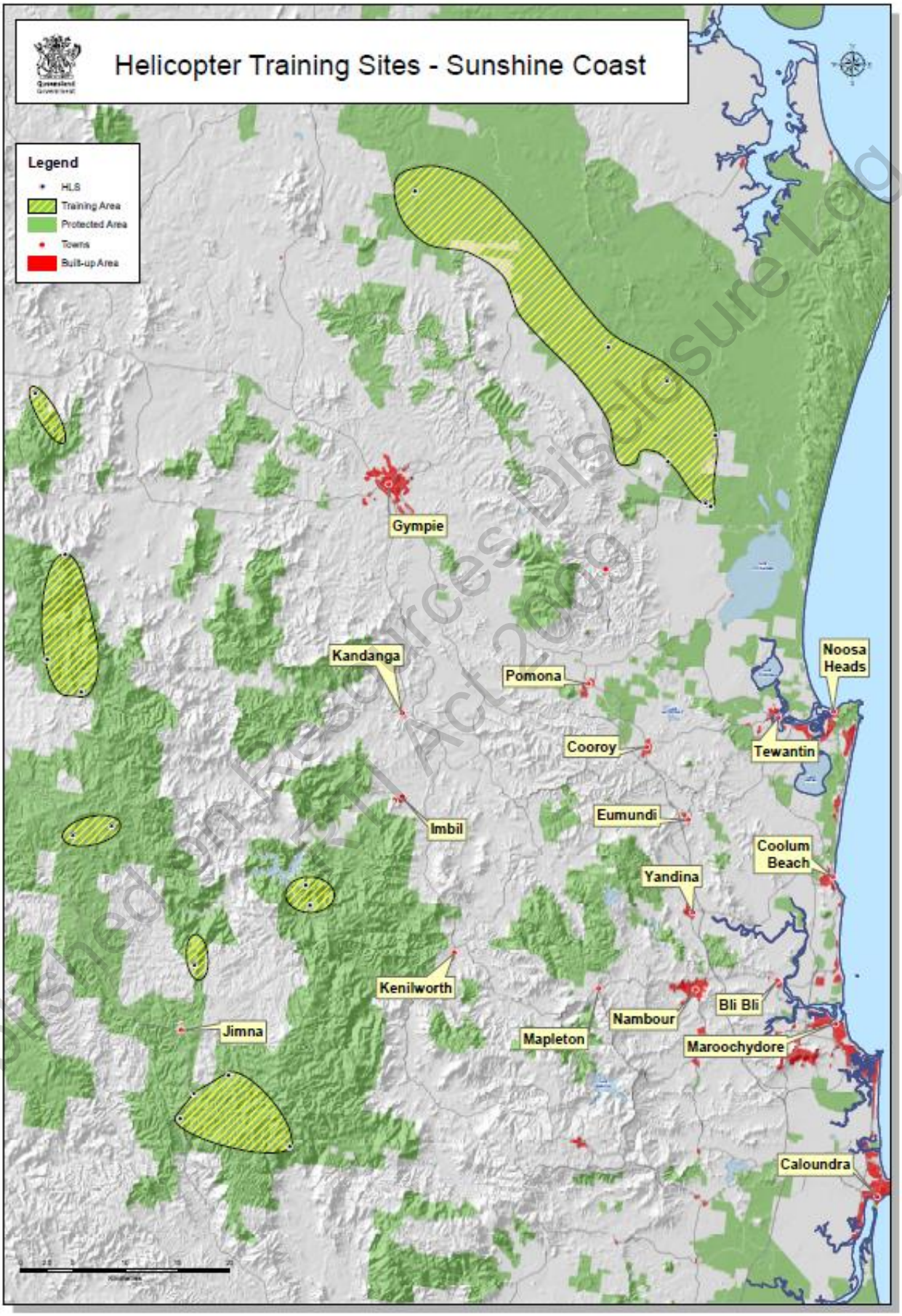
- high number of noise complaints received by local Councillors and the State Member;
- understanding that alternative areas for helicopter training, as identified on the attached map, are now available on the Sunshine Coast. Note: approval for their usage is required from the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR);
- fact that the landing ground is surrounded by the Great Sandy Region National Park – Cooloola Section and is within a declared Recreation Area. (In this regard the DNPRSR Operational Policy Visitor Management Landing Aircraft and Recreation Craft in Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service Managed Areas is applicable. A full copy of the Operational Policy can be downloaded at www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/register/p01087aa.pdf); and
- actions contained within the Great Sandy Region Management Plan 1994 (reviewed in September 2005) and the October 2003 Noosa North Shore Management Plan.

If you require clarification regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Anne Wilson on 53296593, or via email anne.wilson@noosa.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce Davidson
Acting CEO

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Officer: Anne Wilson
Direct Telephone: 07 5329 6593
Response Address: PO Box 141, Tewantin
QLD 4565

20 January, 2014

Peter Pallot, General Manager
Sunshine Coast Airport
Locked Bag 72
SCMC QLD 4560

Dear Peter,

Re: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Closure to helicopters

Noosa Council is trustee of the Reserve for Landing of Aircraft located on the Noosa North Shore and in October 2006 closed the Aeroplane Landing Area within the reserve to aeroplanes.

At its Ordinary Meeting on 2 January 2014, Noosa Council resolved to further restrict use of the Aeroplane Landing Area by closing it to all private and commercial helicopter and fixed wing aircraft. The closure is effective immediately and excludes helicopter usage by emergency services for emergency operational landings, and limited local area familiarisation and training.

The decision was made for a number of reasons including but not limited to the:

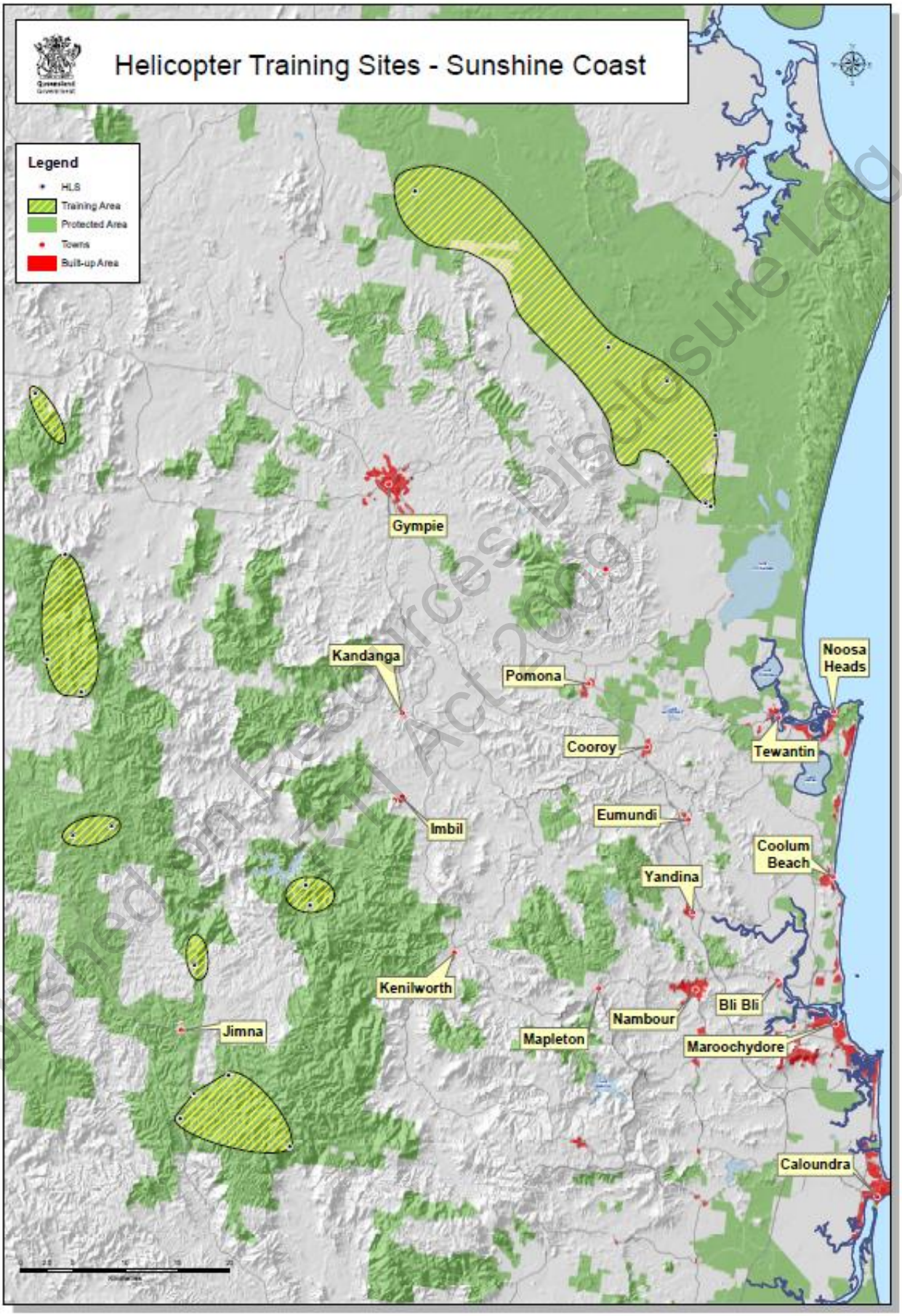
- high number of noise complaints received by local Councillors and the State Member;
- understanding that alternative areas for helicopter training, as identified on the attached map, are now available on the Sunshine Coast. Note: approval for their usage is required from the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR);
- fact that the landing ground is surrounded by the Great Sandy Region National Park – Cooloola Section and is within a declared Recreation Area. (In this regard the DNPRSR Operational Policy Visitor Management Landing Aircraft and Recreation Craft in Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service Managed Areas is applicable. A full copy of the Operational Policy can be downloaded at www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/register/p01087aa.pdf); and
- actions contained within the Great Sandy Region Management Plan 1994 (reviewed in September 2005) and the October 2003 Noosa North Shore Management Plan.

If you require clarification regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Anne Wilson on 53296593, or via email anne.wilson@noosa.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce Davidson
Acting CEO

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 1:26:32 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : FW: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers - 7MCH4562
2008/001967 - DNRME requesting advice

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O?Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au

-----Original Message-----
From: Renee Dwight <Renee.Dwight@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 7 January 2009 3:04 PM
To: BROWN Joanne
Subject: RE: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers - 7MCH4562

Hi Jo,
I am unsure when we will be able to provide a response to your email/letter requiring changes.

I do not expect there to be any problems with the changes that are required we are just having some trouble getting instructions from the Council due to recent changes in its structure.

Renee Dwight
Legal Section - Tewantin Office

-----Original Message-----
From: BROWN Joanne [mailto:Joanne.BROWN@nrw.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 23 December 2008 10:15 AM
To: Renee Dwight
Cc: Renee Dwight
Subject: FW: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers - 7MCH4562

Wakefield Sykes - Legals at Tewantin - Sunshine Coast Regional Council

I refer to my email of 25 September regarding the changes required to the proposed Trustee Permit to Noosa Model Flyers Inc in order for Minister's Approval to be granted.

Please advise when the amended documents can be expected in order for this case to be finalised.

Regards

Jo Brown
Land Officer
State Land Asset Management
Telephone: 07 5451 2213 Facsimile: 07 5451 2260
Email: joanne.brown@nrw.qld.gov.au
www.nrw.qld.gov.au

Department of Natural Resources and Water
52-64 Currie Street, Nambour Q 4560
PO Box 573, Nambour Q 4560

-----Original Message-----
From: BROWN Joanne
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 12:20 PM
To: 'Renee Dwight'
Cc: 'Mitchell Birks'
Subject: RE: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers - 7MCH4562

Hi Renee

I have attached a copy of a letter outlining the changes required for Minister's Consent of the proposed trustee permit to Noosa Model Flyers.

I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Regards

Jo Brown
Acting Senior Land Officer
State Land Asset Management
Telephone: 07 5451 2213 Facsimile: 07 5451 2260
Email: joanne.brown@nrw.qld.gov.au
www.nrw.qld.gov.au

Department of Natural Resources and Water
52-64 Currie Street, Nambour Q 4560
PO Box 573, Nambour Q 4560

-----Original Message-----
From: Renee Dwight [mailto:Renee.Dwight@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 23 July 2008 5:08 PM
To: BROWN Joanne
Subject: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers - 7MCH4562

Jo,
How are you going reviewing this proposed Lease which was forwarded on 18 February?

thanks

Renee Dwight
Legal Section
Sunshine Coast Council

TEWANTIN OFFICE
PO Box 141, Tewantin Q 4565
Ph. 5449 5286 Fx. 5447 1062
Email. renee.dwight@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

****
****
The Sunshine Coast Regional Council is now open for business. There is nothing you need to do as we have taken care of everything for you to ensure it is business as usual. Please continue to do business with your local Council office where you will still find the same friendly faces and the same great service. For further information head to the Sunshine Coast Regional Council website: www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au This email, together with any attachments, is intended for the named
recipient(s) only. Any form of review, disclosure, modification, distribution and or publication of this email message is prohibited without the express permission of the author. Please notify the sender immediately if you have received this e-mail by mistake and delete it from your system. Unless otherwise stated, this email represents only the views of the sender and not the views of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.
****
****
mail5.2.13

****
The information in this email together with any attachments is intended only for the person or entity to which it is addressed and may contain confidential and/or privileged material.
Any form of review, disclosure, modification, distribution and/or publication of this email message is prohibited, unless as a necessary part of Departmental business. If you have received this message in error, you are asked to inform the sender as quickly as possible and delete this message and any copies of this message from your computer and/or your computer system network.
****

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 1:31:20 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : FW: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers
Attachment : image001.png;image002.jpg;
2008/001967 Email advising not proceeding with Proposed Lease

Queensland Government

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au



From: Nicolle Teubler <Nicolle.Teubler@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 6 March 2009 9:17 AM
To: BROWN Joanne
Subject: Proposed Lease to Noosa Model Flyers

Jo,

We have received instructions not to proceed further with this matter at present.

Regards

Wakefield Sykes
Solicitor
Sunshine Coast Council I Tewantin Office

PO Box 141, Tewantin Q 4565
Ph. 5449 5286 I Fx. 5447 1062
Email. legals.tewantin@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

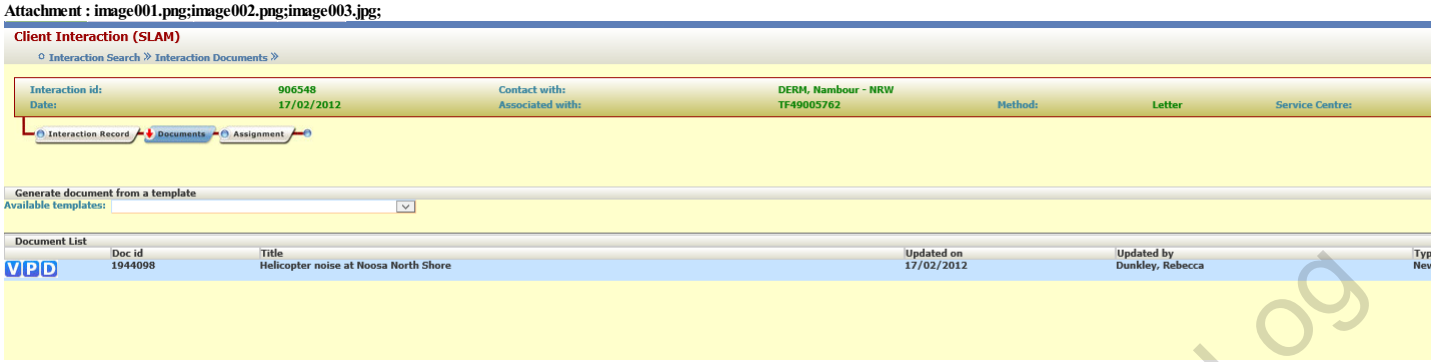
The Sunshine Coast Regional Council is now open for business. There is nothing you need to do as we have taken care of everything for you to ensure it is business as usual. Please continue to do business with your local Council office where you will still find the same friendly faces and the same great service. For further information head to the Sunshine Coast Regional Council website: www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

This email, together with any attachments, is intended for the named recipient(s) only. Any form of review, disclosure, modification, distribution and or publication of this email message is prohibited without the express permission of the author. Please notify the sender immediately if you have received this email by mistake and delete it from your system. Unless otherwise stated, this email represents only the views of the sender and not the views of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

maile 2_7_6

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 1:37:11 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : Helicopter Noise - can't open document on TF49005762
Attachment : image001.png;image002.png;image003.jpg;



Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Client Interaction (SLAM)

Interaction Search » Interaction Documents »

Interaction id:	906548	Contact with:	DERM, Nambour - NRW				
Date:	17/02/2012	Associated with:	TF49005762	Method:	Letter	Service Centre:	Gympie

Interaction Record | Documents | Assignment

Generate document from a template

Available templates:

Document List

	Doc id	Title	Updated on	Updated by	Type	Co
VPD	1944098	Helicopter noise at Noosa North Shore	17/02/2012	Dunkley, Rebecca	Newspaper	

Disclosed on Resources
RTI Act 2009

SD South

Relates to 19488/12 & 16380/12

NATURAL RESOURCES and MINES
Ministerial Correspondence Action Sheet

MINISTERIAL REFERENCE	DEPT REFERENCE
M0040 2013	0045413

DATE RECEIVED MINISTER'S OFFICE: 09 JAN 2013

☑ **Response Letter**

- ☐ For reply under Minister's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Assistant Minister's signature
- ☑ For reply under Chief of Staff's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Senior Policy Advisor's signature (Andrew Freeman)
- ☐ For reply under the Policy Advisor's signature (Dan Hall)
- ☐ For departmental response under DG's signature

☐ **Referral Letter**

- ☐ Minister's signature
- ☐ Chief of Staff's signature

Category

Complaint / Compliment / Enquiry / Request / FYI

☐ **Briefing note**

☐ **Dot points**

☐ **FYI / No reply**

☐ **Dept to contact author**

RECEIVED
10 JAN 2013
DNRM CORRO

MINISTER'S OFFICE COMMENTS

RECEIVED 9-1-13

0045413

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Cecile Campbell

From: Ainsley Brownlie
Sent: Wednesday, 9 January 2013 3:46 PM
To: Cecile Campbell
Subject: FW: Office of the Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection
Attachments: img-1091527-0001.pdf

Hi Cecile,
Could you log and send this to DLO for Dept. to prepare a written response?
Thanks,
Ainsley.

From: Frangi Spilsbury
Sent: Wednesday, 9 January 2013 3:35 PM
To: Natural Resources; Ainsley Brownlie
Subject: Office of the Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

Good afternoon

Please find attached a letter from our Chief of Staff, Troy Collings.

This letter is bcc'd to Minister Cripps' Chief of Staff, however it was mistakenly sent to Minister McVeigh's office.

Please accept our apologies.

Regards

Frangi Spilsbury
Administration Officer & Backbench Liaison Officer
The Hon Andrew Powell MP | Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection
GPO Box 2454 | Brisbane Qld 4001
P: 07 3239 0841 F: 07 3224 2496
Email: frangi.spilsbury@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Powell MP
Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0844
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2496
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Ref CTS 18123/12

B/C Chief of Staff to the
Honourable Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 15216
CITY EAST QLD 4002

18 DEC 2012

Referred by direction for direct reply. Copy of the inwards correspondence is attached.

Troy Collings
Chief of Staff

sch4p4(6)
Personal
information

Dear Mr Schofield

Thank you for your email of 27 November 2012 concerning the landing ground located near Teewah beach. The Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection has asked me to respond on his behalf.

In August 2012, the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) organised a meeting of interested parties in Tewantin to discuss this important issue. The meeting was chaired by your local member, the Honourable Glen Elmes MP, and included representatives from the Departments of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM); National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (NPRSR); State Development, Infrastructure and Planning; and the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (SCRC). At the meeting, it was agreed that the Queensland Government would work with affected aviation companies to investigate alternative sites where those activities currently occurring on the landing ground reserve (including helicopter training) could occur. EHP has advised that a number of potential sites have been identified and all parties are working to assess their suitability.

The Minister is pleased to advise that he supports the addition of the landing ground to the adjoining Great Sandy National Park, subject to NPRSR's approval. However, before EHP can commence this process, the landing ground's reserve tenure must first be cancelled. Under the existing Administrative Arrangements Order, this cancellation action is the responsibility of the Honourable Andrew Cripps MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines. As such, a copy of your correspondence has been passed on to him with a request that a reply be forwarded to you at the earliest opportunity.

The Minister hopes this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Mr Luke Navie, A/Program Manager, Tenure and Covenants Unit of the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection on telephone 3330 5341.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED

Troy Collings
Chief of Staff

Published on the Sources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 1:58:54 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : FW: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground
Attachment : image001.png;image002.jpg;
Email requesting suitable dates for meeting

Queensland Government

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au



From: Halls Matthew
Sent: Wednesday, 6 June 2012 3:50 PM
To: Belcher Ross; Navie Luke; Leanne Summers; 'brian.stockwell@deedi.qld.gov.au'
Cc: Carpenter Greg; Hart Randall; Courtney Doug
Subject: Noosa North Shore Landing Ground

Good afternoon,

As you are all aware we have been trying to organise a meeting regarding the future use and tenure of the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground for 12 June 2012.

At this stage we will have to postpone the meeting for a date closer to the end of June.

The reason being the Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection is yet to provide his advice on the current situation to his Department. At such time as that advice is provided we will be able to progress this meeting.

As such, it would be appreciated if you could all provide me with potential dates of availability for a meeting to be held towards the end of June. The meeting is still proposed to held in the Nambour DNRM office.

Regards

Matthew Halls
Land Administration Officer
State Land Asset Management
Telephone: (07) 54 512 273 **Facsimile:** (07) 54 512 260
52-64 Currie Street, Nambour, QLD, 4560
PO Box 573, Nambour, QLD, 4560
Department of Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Ref CTS 09002/12
M9832012

26 JUL 2012

Mr Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
and Multicultural Affairs Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE DC QLD 4566

Dear Minister Glen

Thank you for your letter of 22 June 2012 regarding the future of the landing ground for an aircraft reserve located on the Noosa North Shore.

As previously advised in my letter of 31 May 2012, I have requested that further discussions occur between the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to determine the area of the reserve that is to be dedicated as national park and the area that is to be utilised as the landing ground.

I note your concerns in relation to the future operational use of the landing ground. I can advise that the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection will now be involved in, and has offered to facilitate a meeting to resolve all issues, including the concerns you have raised. I understand that the meeting is proposed to be held in July/August 2012.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Ms Susan McDonald, Chief of Staff, will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 3225 1861.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Ref CTS 19488/12
M20442012

24 JAN 2013

The Honourable Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
and Multicultural Affairs and
Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE BC QLD 4566

Dear Minister Glen

Thank you for your letter of 12 December 2012 about the Teewah Landing Ground Reserve.

A search of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines' (DNRM) land register has been conducted but no potential alternative sites of similar size for a landing ground within the vicinity of the current Landing Ground Reserve (LGR) have been identified. However, I have been advised that State government representatives and key aviation companies have investigated potential sites within the greater Sunshine Coast area and potential sites have been found and that their suitability is currently being assessed.

I am also advised that there are a number of outstanding issues that need to be resolved to achieve the relocation of the landing ground. This includes receiving acceptance from the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR) for the transfer of the LGR post revocation, subject to resolving any issues associated with the maintenance of the airstrip for the continued use of ultra light aircraft, the Noosa Model Flyers and emergency landings.

Also, DNRM must provide the trustee of the reserve, each entity with a registered interest and any other person that DNRM believes should be advised, with a notice of the proposed revocation of the dedication of a reserve under section 34A of the *Land Act 1994* (the Act). All submissions against the proposed revocation must be considered in the decision making process in terms of section 34B of the Act. These issues and requirements must be satisfied prior to the revocation taking place.

To facilitate revocation of the LGR, DNRM will contact DNPRSR and the Sunshine Coast Regional Council to progress the state land tenure issues associated with the revocation of the LGR and the transfer of the land to DNPRSR for inclusion within the adjoining National Park.

Once all the parties involved in the tenure issues are in agreement and all legislative requirements have been met, the LGR will be revoked and made available for inclusion in the National Park. I anticipate this could be achieved within six months.

Published by Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Mr Matthew Halls, Land Administration Officer, Land Services, Department of Natural Resources and Mines will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 5451 2273.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane QLD 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3199 8215
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Ref MO/14/0442
CTS 04310/14

28 APR 2014

Mr Mike Becker
Director and Chief Pilot
Becker Helicopter Services Pty Ltd
PO Box 9165
PACIFIC PARADISE BC QLD 4564

Dear Mr Becker

I refer to your letter dated 12 February 2014 addressed to the Honourable Andrew Cripps MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines concerning the use of the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground (NNSLG). The Minister has asked me to respond on his behalf.

The NNSLG is dedicated as a Reserve for Landing Ground for Aircraft purposes under the *Land Act 1994* (the Act). The Noosa Shire Council (the council) is the trustee. The Department of Natural Resources and Mines (the department) role in this situation is to ensure that the use of the reserve is consistent with the purpose for which it was set aside.

As trustee of the land, the council is responsible for the day to day management of the reserve and can make decisions on how the reserve is used and who is able to use the reserve.

Section 46 (1) (a) of the Act refers to the trustee's management of the trust land in a way that is consistent with the purpose of the trust. I note your query as to whether the council is in breach of this section. The council has adopted several local laws and subordinate local laws. In relation to your query, I can advise that under the council's Local Law No. 4 Part 2 (5) (1) (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities, Infrastructure and Roads), the Local Government may, by subordinate local law, declare –

(a) an activity to be prohibited in a local government controlled area or on a road (a prohibited activity); or
(b) an activity to be restricted in a local government controlled area or on a road (a restricted activity); or
(c) conduct to be prohibited in a local government controlled area or on a road (prohibited conduct).

The department considers that the council has acted in accordance with this local law and therefore is not in breach of section 46 (1) (a) of the Act. Attached is the department's fact sheet on the roles and responsibilities of trustees for your reference.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

I note that you have identified possible solutions to this issue and I encourage you to approach the council as the trustee of the reserve directly to discuss these further.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Ms Renee Grant, Senior Land Officer, South Region, Department of Natural Resources and Mines will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 5451 2245.

Yours sincerely

sch4p4(6)
Personal
information

Andrew Freeman
Chief of Staff

Att

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Department of Natural Resources and Mines

Queensland Government

Role and responsibilities of trustees

Day-to-day management of a reserve is generally the responsibility of the trustee. The trustee is usually appointed by the Minister, and should have some association or expertise with the trust land and its purpose, or with the local community.

Trustees are often the local government, but can also be the state, a statutory body, an incorporated body or a named individual.

Powers of a trustee

The trustees are the owners of the land for the purposes of legal proceedings, so they can sue and be sued, and take action to remove trespassers or to protect property under their control.

Trustees cannot sell or transfer the land. They also cannot mortgage the land, except for deeds of grant in trust issued under the *Land Act 1992* (our approval is required).

The rights to quarry materials, forest products and mineral and petroleum products are reserved to the state, in accordance with legislation.

Trustee leases and trustee permits

Trustees may authorise the use and occupation of trust land by third parties through trustee leases (http://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/land/accessing-using-land/state-land/reserves/trustee-lease) and trustee permits. Rents received must be spent on the maintenance or enhancement of the trust land, unless we have given written approval for another use.

Inconsistent actions

Trustees must maintain and manage the land consistent with the purpose of the trust land. However, we may approve an inconsistent action if this does not adversely affect any local business or diminish the trust land's purpose.

Responsibilities of a trustee

The trustee must maintain and manage the land in a manner that is consistent with achieving the purpose of the trust land. They must comply with any conditions associated with their appointment as well as the following requirements.

Land management and maintenance

- Only use the land in a manner consistent with the purpose of the trust land, unless our approval has been obtained.
- Control pest plants and animals.
- Exercise a duty of care for the land, including protecting and maintaining any improvements.
- Obtain a vegetation clearing permit before destroying any vegetation.
- Comply with any directions issued by the Minister and complete management plans as requested.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Finance and insurance

- Maintain proper books and accounts as required by the Minister and legislation.
- Submit account books for annual auditing if the annual income from the trust land is greater than the amount prescribed under the land regulations.
- Comply with the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangement Act 1982* *(http://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/office/services/governance/statutory-bodies.shtml)*.
- Have adequate public liability insurance for the benefit of the trustee and any member of the public who may use the trust land.
- Advise us of any change of address or loss of incorporated status (for incorporated bodies).

Development and secondary uses

- Obtain our consent for any development applications under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.
- Obtain our approval before issuing a trustee lease (http://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/land/accessing-using-land/state-land/reserves/trustee-lease) or permit to occupy.
- Use any rent received from a trustee lease or trustee permit on the maintenance or enhancement of the trust land, unless we have given written approval for another use.

Model by-laws

Trustees may adopt as their by-laws any or all of the model by-laws (http://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/land/accessing-using-land/state-land/reserves/bylaws) contained in the Land Regulation 2009 (Schedules 1–5).

Removal of a trustee

A trustee can be removed from their position if the removal is in the public interest or if they breach the conditions of the trust, their appointment or the *Land Act 1994*.

Find out more

For more information, including advice on how to fill out application forms, contact your nearest business centre (http://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/our-department/contact-us) or call 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

Policies and legislation

- Land Act 1994 (https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/Acts_SLs/Acts_SL_L.htm)
- Land Regulation 2009 (https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/Acts_SLs/Acts_SL_L.htm)
- Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangement Act 1982 (http://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/office/services/governance/statutory-bodies.shtml)

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

19 FEB 2013

Ref CTS 00454/13

sch4p4(6) Personal information

sch4p4(6) Personal information

C/C: Glen Elmes MP
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE DC QLD 4566

I refer to your email dated 27 November 2012 addressed to Andrew Powell MP, Minister for Envrionment and Heritage Protection, and forwarded to the Honourable Andrew Cripps MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines concerning helicopter noise at Teewah, Noosa North Shore. The Minister has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Your concerns regarding the helicopter noise at Teewah, Noosa North Shore are noted.

The Teewah landing ground is described as Lot 7 on Plan MCH4562 and is a reserve for a landing ground for aircraft under the trusteeship of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council. The Landing Ground Reserve (the reserve) is State land and subject to the requirements of the *Land Act 1994* (the Act) which is administered by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM). The current proposal involves revoking the reserve and the transfer of this land into the adjoining national park.

There are a number of outstanding issues that need to be resolved to achieve the relocation of the reserve. This includes receiving acceptance from the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR) for the transfer of the reserve land into the national park, subject to resolving any issues associated with the maintenance of the airstrip for the continued use of ultra light aircraft, the Noosa Model Flyers and emergency landings.

Following advice from DNPRSR that the above issues have been satisfactorily resolved, DNRM can commence the revocation process. DNRM must provide the trustee of the reserve, each entity with a registered interest and any other person that DNRM believes should be advised, with a notice of the proposed revocation of the dedication of a reserve under section 34A of the Act. All submissions against the proposed revocation must be considered in the decision making process in terms of section 34B of the Act. These issues and requirements must be satisfied before the revocation of the reserve can proceed.

Once all the parties involved in the tenure issues are in agreement and all legislative requirements have been met, the reserve will be revoked and made available for inclusion in the national park.

Published by Resources Disclosure under RTI Act 2009

In addition to this process, state government representatives and aviation companies are investigating alternate sites for the airstrip. Potential sites have been found and their suitability is currently being assessed. It is hoped that a satisfactory outcome will be achieved in the near future.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Mr Matthew Halls, Land Administration Officer, Land Services, Department of Natural Resources and Mines will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 5451 2273.

Yours sincerely

sch4p4(6) Personal information

Susan McDonald
Chief of Staff

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

REGISTER LOGIN 24 13 Maroochydore MY CAREER Drive

Sunshine Coast Daily

Anger as chopper ban is shot down

Peter Gardiner | 25th September 2012 7:52 AM

Email Comments (

Tags: helicopter, mark jamieson, noosa, tourism

NOOSA'S bid to shore up its $850 million tourism industry and help cushion local residents from intrusive day and night flyovers by banning commercial helicopter flights was shot down at the council last Thursday.



Advertiseme

Angry residents who packed the Tewantin meeting, at times defying warnings by Mayor Mark Jamieson that he would have them ejected for interjecting, were aghast at some of the southern councillor's attitudes.

In particular they were incensed by an assertion from councillor Chris Thompson that the Noosa Biosphere, which he described as "one of the most beautiful places in the world", had been enhanced by aerial photos taken from helicopter flyovers along the Coast.

"What planet do you live on?" was one of the residents' responses from the gallery.

Noosa's Cr Tony Wellington, who had moved the ban motion, responded: "This is not just an occasional helicopter taking photographs, Cr Thompson. We're talking about helicopters going from 6am to 10 or 11 at night in groups - seven days a week."

He then added to loud gallery applause: "You guys don't have to live with it, the people here do."

While Caloundra-based Cr Tim Dwyer, who said he had to deal with aircraft noise in his division for the past 12 years, applauded Cr Wellington

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2

for trying to bring this matter to a head, he described the Teewah land strip ban as "policy on the run".

Cr Dwyer had pointed out to the council it was the Noosa Council that had allowed training flights on site in the first place and previously had a number of years before council amalgamation to resolve the issue.

Cr Wellington responded: "I accept that Noosa Council did allow helicopter training, but at the time it wasn't seven days a week, it wasn't day and night and it wasn't continuous.

"I'm not trying to prevent helicopter training. This has been going on for over 12 months, the discussion's been had, and this council has successfully buried its head in the sand at every turn.

Cr Wellington, with the support of fellow Noosa representative Cr Russell Green, wanted the pilot training flights and other commercial air movements at a parcel of land surrounded by national p to cease in January.

He wanted the council to join with local LNP Government MP Glen Elmes to work towards having strip added to national park, while allowing ongoing community use by ultra lights and model aircraft.

Cr Green said in support of the ban: "The tourism industry in the Noosa region is $860 million pe year - again a significant industry, the largest industry - and one that deserves protection.

"I believe what Cr Wellington has put before us here is a logical step to move forward and recogr the planning constraints in a parcel of land and a not preferred use that has escalated and grown and has continued to grow over the years without the potential for the community to have input.'

Instead Cr Greg Rogerson won 10-3 support from the council to defer any decision, with the site allow further consultation with the aviation sector, operators and community interests. Cr Jenny McKay wanted some sort of timeline for this consultation and the council agreed it would form pa of the new Sunshine Coast planning scheme public feedback process soon to get under way.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Special Offers

- Trilby Misso. Personal Injury Lawyers
- Deere Season is on now!Visit: www.JohnDeere.com.au
- Catch the Sevens Fever. 13-14 October, Skilled Park Tickets from $39

Ads by

REGISTER LOGIN 24 13 Maroochydore MY CAREER Drive

Sunshine Coast Daily

Call for community outcry

Peter Gardiner | 25th September 2012 6:48 AM

Email Comments

Tags: mark jamieson, noosa, sunshine coast council

NOOSA residents are still seething about a lack of council leadership on the increased helicopter operations over Noosa and their negative impact on the local area.

One of the protesters at last week's council meeting, Peter Schofield, is calling for a local backlash to get the Teewah strip and local airspace off limits to helicopter training.

"The councillors in there are talking as if there's one helicopter flying over every three weeks, or one every week - it's not," Mr Schofield said.

"Last night for instance as if almost to spite us, they had yesterday 20 helicopter movements over our area and last night until 11.30pm and it just goes on and on and they don't care.

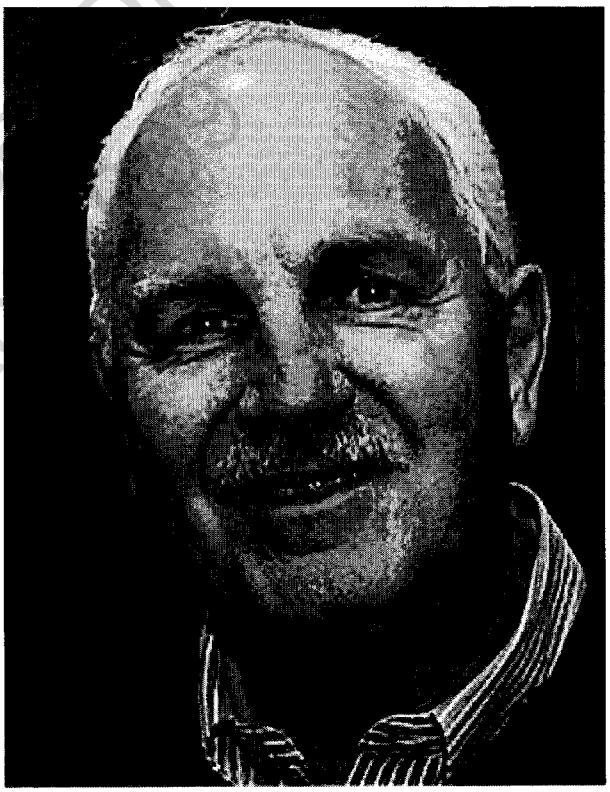
"It's uncontrolled airspace - it's just not controlled.

"I don't have any faith in the Sunshine Coast Council process and I can't wait for the de-amalgamation to actually progress so we can make our own decisions.

Mr Schofield said the Noosa community needed to be "driving" this helicopter issue.

"I think it's time for the community to actually get off its butt and write to the council - write to the mayor and keep insisting about this.

"It's more than 12 months (we've been complaining to council about helicopters) and it just seems to fall on deaf ears."



Peter Schofield

Advertiseme

Published on Resource Disclosure Log RTI Act

Former Noosa mayor Noel Playford said this council's lack of action at Teewah was a prime example of the need to have Noosa's future returned to a de-amalgamated council.

"We're not going to get any sense until we get our own council," Mr Playford said.

He asserted that the use of helicopters at Teewah was "illegal" under the planning scheme.

"They're giving them approval for something that's illegal - the land's not zoned for commercial activity and they don't give a damn.

"It's truly staggering to me," he said.

Special Offers

- Trilby Misso. Personal Injury Lawyers
- Deere Season is on now!Visit: www.JohnDeere.com.au
- Catch the Sevens Fever. 13-14 October, Skilled Park Tickets from $39

More Stories

Ads by

News

Coast cops worst storm damage
Adjournment denied in custody case
Historic aircraft to live again
Police want hoon hit squad
Buderim burn this afternoon

More News »

Sport

Entertainment

Lifestyle

Business

Top Picks

Published on Resources disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

REGISTER LOGIN 26 11 Maroochydore MY CAREER Drive

Sunshine Coast Daily

Residents affected by noise

Peter Gardiner | 14th August 2012 7:16 AM

Email Comments

Tags: sunshine coast regional council, teewah airstrip, tony wellington

NEW Sunshine Coast Councillor Tony Wellington has asked council to clarify whether the commercial use of Teewah Airstrip is a lawful use.



An X marks the landing space for helicopters.

Contribu

Advertiseme

Cr Wellington before the election was a staunch advocate for the Noosa North Shore reserve being transferred to national park and his position has not changed.

"Issues have been raised about whether the commercial use of the airstrip is even legal given the fact that it is not zoned for community facilities, but rather open space recreation," said Cr Wellington.

"These matters were raised by Noosa Parks Association a year ago, with no response emanating from council.

"Accordingly I am now seeking clarification on this matter in my position as Councillor for Division 12."

The councillor said it is possible for the reserve to be transferred into national park with special conditions allowing the continued community use by ultralights and model planes, as well as occasional emergency landings by helicopters.

"However, on-going use by commercial operators would have to stop," Cr Wellington said.

"It is quite clear that the use of the landing ground reserve has increased over the last year and a half.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act

"What we now have is commercial training operations using the airstrip on an almost daily basis, with flights ranging from early morning to late evening."

The councillor said the commercial use of the reserve presents amenity problems for

residents affected by noise from flights to and from the airstrip.

"It is also an issue for conservationists who view the use as incompatible with the intentions of a national park," he said.

"I understand even QPWS (Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service) have received complaints from visitors to the National Park complaining about helicopters inside the park."

Cr Wellington said transfer of the reserve into national park was recommended in 1991, approved by State Cabinet in 1992 and reinforced in the Great Sandy Management Plan in 1994.

Cr Wellington said the LNP local member Glen Elmes is very keen to see the matter resolved but any resolution will require agreement between the two tiers of government.

"Arguments in favour of the continued use of the airstrip for helicopter training tend to centre around the economic benefits to the region," he said.

"However, the ongoing commercial use of the airstrip is a major inhibitor - perhaps the single biggest impediment - to the application for World Heritage listing of the whole of Cooloola.

"And World Heritage status is something that I believe would bring with it far greater economic benefits plus a win for the environment."

Cr Wellington said is not unreasonable to ask whether local residents should be impacted on by a business just because that business happens to bring economic benefits.

"It has been noted in the local press that the business using the landing ground reserve most intensively has a contract to train the Saudi National Guard. Plainly there are other places, argua better suited, to train military helicopter pilots. Indeed a clearing in the pine forests south of Caloundra would seem to be a far better option."

Council has been asked for a comment on the airstrip's future but had not responded by the Noos News deadline.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Special Offers



- For latest on careers in resources & energy visit Live Updates here

More Stories

Ads by

News

Small victory for James Ashby
Zehnder expands to Big Pineapple
Man killed in highway crash
Complaint puts flights in tailspin

REGISTER LOGIN 26 11 Maroochydore MYCAREER Drive

Sunshine Coast Daily

Time to buzz off

Peter Gardiner | 17th August 2012 5:30 AM

Email

Have your s

Tags: glen elmes, sunshine coast council

NOOSA'S days as helicopter flight central could be coming to an end after Member for Noosa and Minister Assisting the Premier Glen Elmes this week "tasked" local state agencies to find somewhere else for them to buzz.

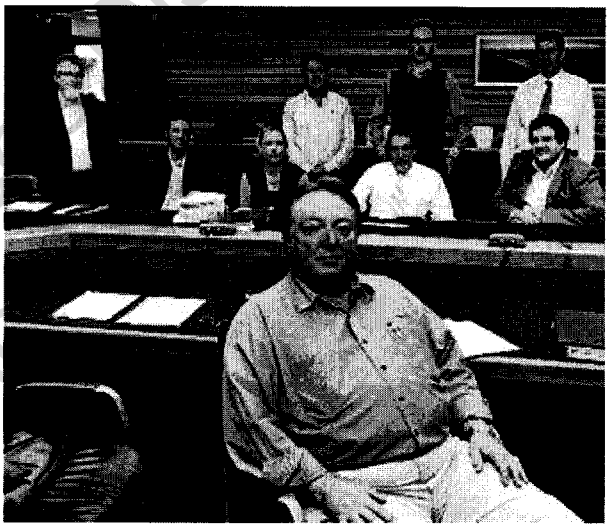
This promises a breakthrough for locals who increasingly feel besieged from above as airspace in and around the Teewah landing strip has been increasingly used for commercial chopper pilot training.

Mr Elmes hailed the outcomes of a Wednesday meeting he had with Sunshine Coast Council staff, Councillor Tony Wellington and state department reps.

The Tewantin council chamber gathering included bureaucrats from the Departments of Environment and Heritage Protection, Natural Resources and Mines, National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing, State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry.

"Where I'd like to see this finish up is that the entire block of land (the airstrip reserve) that's involved be put into the national park estate with ongoing and defined permission for model flyers and the hang glider to continue on," Mr Elmes told the Noosa News after the event.

"And ongoing use for emergency helicopters so if you have a problem there you can get in and get them out.



Member for Noosa or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islande and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premi with attendees from the Departments of Environment an Heritage Protection, Natural Resources and Mines, Natio Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing, State Development Infrastructure and Planning, Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry, as well as Sunshine Coast Council at Noosa Shi Chambers to discuss the Teewah landing strip.

Geoff P

Advertiseme

Published on Resource Disclosure Log RTI Act

"It's been a long, very, very slow process and I'm going to really be hunting the various state agencies and the council as best I can to come up with a solution."

Mr Elmes said the get- together was triggered by helicopter flyovers affecting locals as far west as Eumundi and others along the coast.

"We've been getting increasing levels of complaints over the weeks and months - people are just having their peace and tranquillity destroyed," the minister said.

"The decision on the landing strip at Teewah both by Cabinet in 1992 and by the Noosa North Shore Working Group in 2003 was use was to be limited to model flyers and the hang gliders and for helicopters.

"If you go back that far what that use would be would be use by what is now the AGL rescue helicopter or Westpac or Emergency Services Queensland.

"It's gotten completely out of hand and it's got completely away from the spirit of what the origin intention for use was."

Mr Elmes said as a resident of Noosaville he was well aware of the level of flyovers and while the were not at low altitutde directly over his place, the noise certainly was not conducive to Noosa's laidback lifestyle.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Special Offers



- For latest on careers in resources & energy visit Live Updates here

More Stories

Ads by

News

Small victory for James Ashby
Zehnder expands to Big Pineapple
Man killed in highway crash
Complaint puts flights in tailspin
Nicklin Lodge to be demolished

More News »

Sport

Entertainment

Lifestyle

Business

TF 4900 5762

NOOSA NORTH SHORE LANDING GROUND RESERVE

MANAGEMENT PLAN

MARCH 2009



Disclosure Log

1 INTRODUCTION

The Noosa North Shore is located at the southern end of the 60,000ha Cooloola Section of the Great Sandy National Park, between Noosa North Shore and Rainbow Beach. The Environmental Protection Agency document "Strategic Directions for Cooloola" (Feb 2008) states the national park

> *.. is the largest remnant of coastal vegetation on the southern Queensland mainland…offering nature appreciation, camping, fishing, water sports, bushwalking and sand-driving opportunities to its many visitors. The EPA is also leading a joint Queensland and Commonwealth government process to have the Fraser Island World Heritage Area extended to include Cooloola. Recently published reports reviewing the values of Cooloola provide a strong case to declare a World Heritage area to recognise it officially as an internationally unique ecosystem.*

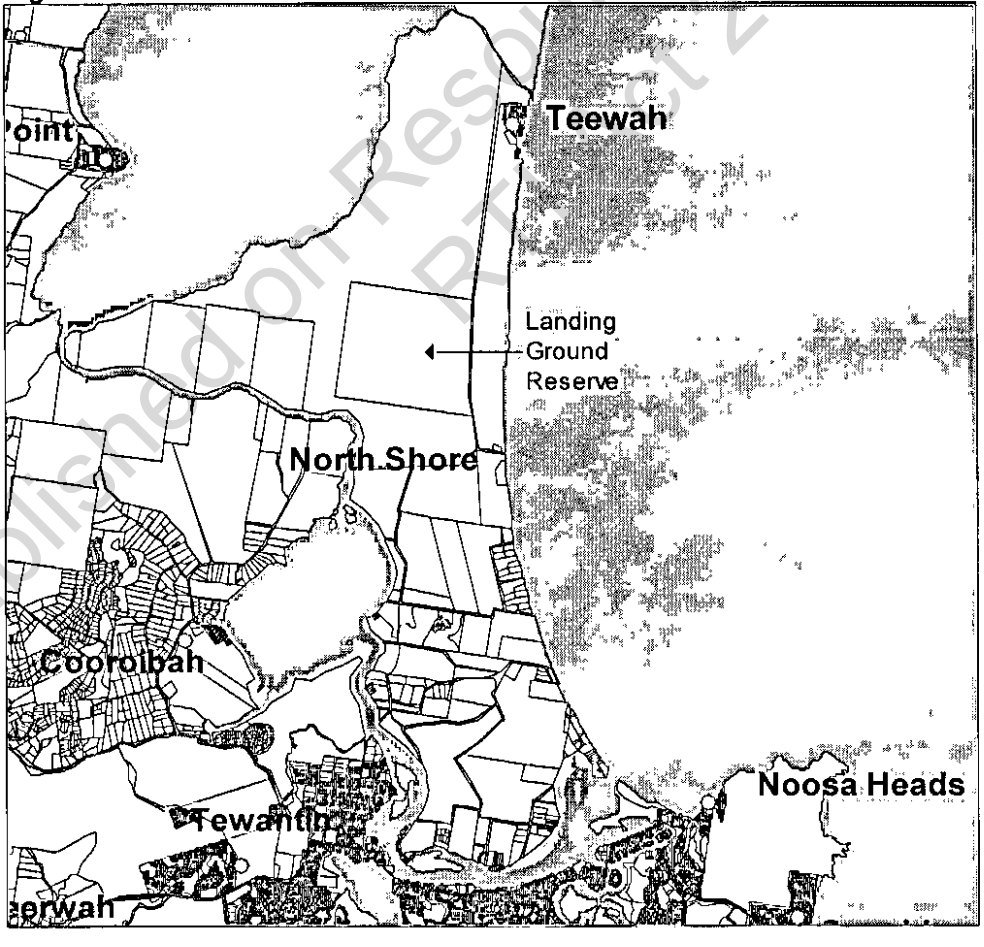
The Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve (NNSLGR) is located on lot 7 MCH4562 and is surrounded by National Park. The NNLGR is gazetted as a Landing Ground for Aircraft and Council is trustee of the reserve.

The NNSLGR is a valuable asset to the Sunshine Coast Community providing:

- a safe training ground for helicopter pilots and hang gliders;
- an area suitable for usage by model flyers, ultra and micro lights;
- a place where aviators can go minimising noise impact on populated areas.

The purpose of this Management Plan is to provide direction for both the short and long term management of the NNSLGR.

Figure 1 – Site Location



Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

There are 3 airstrips at the landing ground, two east west and one north south.

All current users have requested permission to continue usage of the airstrip and the Sunshine Coast Hang Gliding Club has requested permission to construct an aircraft hangar for the exclusive use of the members of its club.

Information pertaining to the classification of the landing ground, current users and previous decisions relating to tenure forms **attachment A.**

2 MANAGEMENT

Council will jointly manage the airstrip as follows:

- Property & Business Strategy Branch will be responsible for the initial land tenure/transfer arrangements and road closure/opening requirements with the relevant State departments.

- Regional Strategy and Planning will be responsible for managing: the underlying tenure of the site, access issues, level of usage and permitted usage at the site.

- Community Services will be responsible for allocating and managing: the users' tenure on the site ie leases/permit to occupy, fees/charges, user group conflict and maintenance of the site.

- Infrastructure and Services will be responsible for maintenance.

The NNSLGR airstrips are classified as an Aeroplane Landing Area (ALA), however in 2007 Council closed the airstrips to fixed wing aircraft.

The airstrip is to remain closed to fixed wing aircraft.

The airstrips will remain open to ultra lights, helicopters and model aircraft with minimal infrastructure and limited vehicular access to ensure usage remains at a relatively low level in keeping with the conservation values of the surrounding National Park.

The airstrip is to continue to be managed as an Aeroplane Landing Area in accordance with the requirements of the "Civil Aviation Advisory Publication" (CAAP 92.1) and the Land Act 1994.

Any substantial departures from this Management Plan may warrant prior consultation with the local Noosa North Shore community.

3 TENURE

The following actions are to be implemented:

- By Council: Relinquish the trusteeship of the balance area of the Landing Ground Reserve (ie the area located outside of the currently mown landing strips and ancillary areas and access strip and a 100m buffer area– refer to **figure 2**) on lot 7 MCH4562, and allow it to transfer to National Park subject to a road being opened or access easement established over the existing access track (see below).

- By State Government: Close the road reserve located on the eastern boundary subject to a road being opened or an access easement established over the existing access track.

- Ensure the future Sunshine Coast Regional Planning Scheme:

    - recognises the landing ground is closed to fixed wing aircraft with permitted usage for emergency landings, ultra light purposes, helicopter training and model aircraft only;

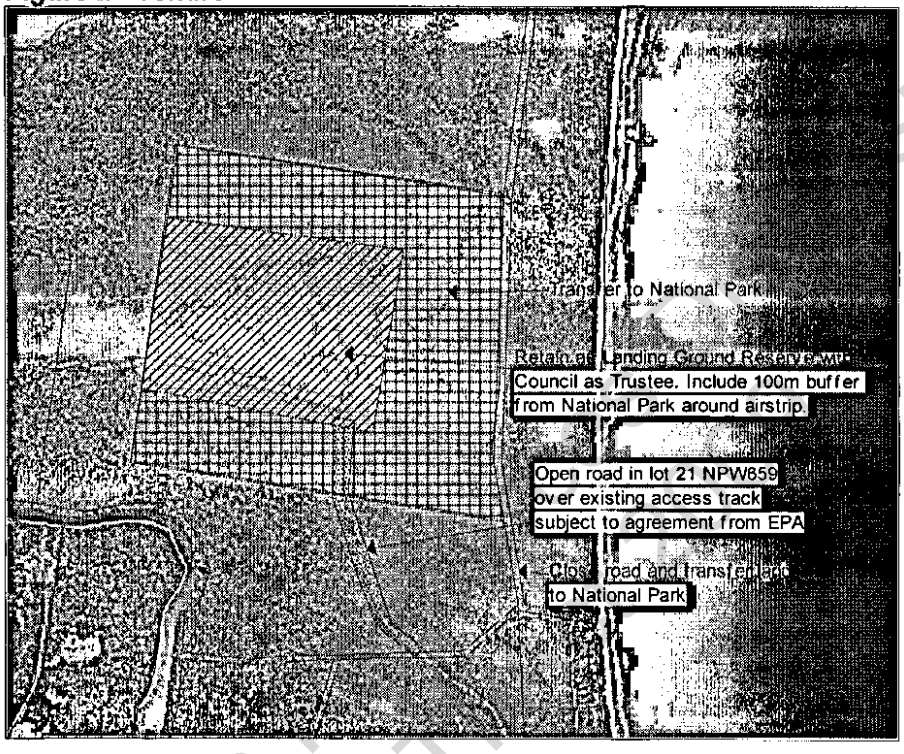
Published on Resources Disclosure Log
PIP Act 2009

- recognises the landing grounds importance for fire management and its use by air related noisy sports in both the Character Statement of the Noosa North Shore locality and within the Overall outcomes for the Noosa North Shore locality,

- includes the area currently mown for the landing strips, the ancillary areas, access strip and a 100m buffer within the Community Services or other appropriate Zone that reflects and permits the ongoing usage of the landing ground.

- requires a material change of use (MCU) application to be submitted if proposed usage exceeds desired low level usage, ie any intensification of use must trigger an MCU application. Acceptable levels of usage are outlined in section 4 below.

Figure 2 - Tenure



4 USAGE

The airstrips are to be retained for usage for emergency landings, ultra light purposes, helicopter training and model aircraft.

The southern east west strip is to remain closed to all users except the helicopters for training purposes. The markers indicating the strip is closed will remain in place.

The landing ground is retained as a publicly accessible airstrip from the air. Vehicular access to the site is however restricted by a locked gate. The locked gate is necessary:

- firstly to reduce the incidence of vandalism which due to the remoteness of the site was a common occurrence prior to the locked gate being installed; and
- secondly the access track is across National Park and four wheel driving by the general public is to be discouraged in this section of National Park due to the high conservation values of the area.

The areas permitted to be utilised by the helicopters and the Noosa Model Flyers are identified in **figure 3.**

A contribution towards the cost of maintenance is to be obtained from all licensees and commercial users of the strip.

Published on RTI Disclosure Log

Commercial operations, including passenger paying joy flights and helicopter training activities are only permitted with the written approval of Council and subject to any conditions being complied with.

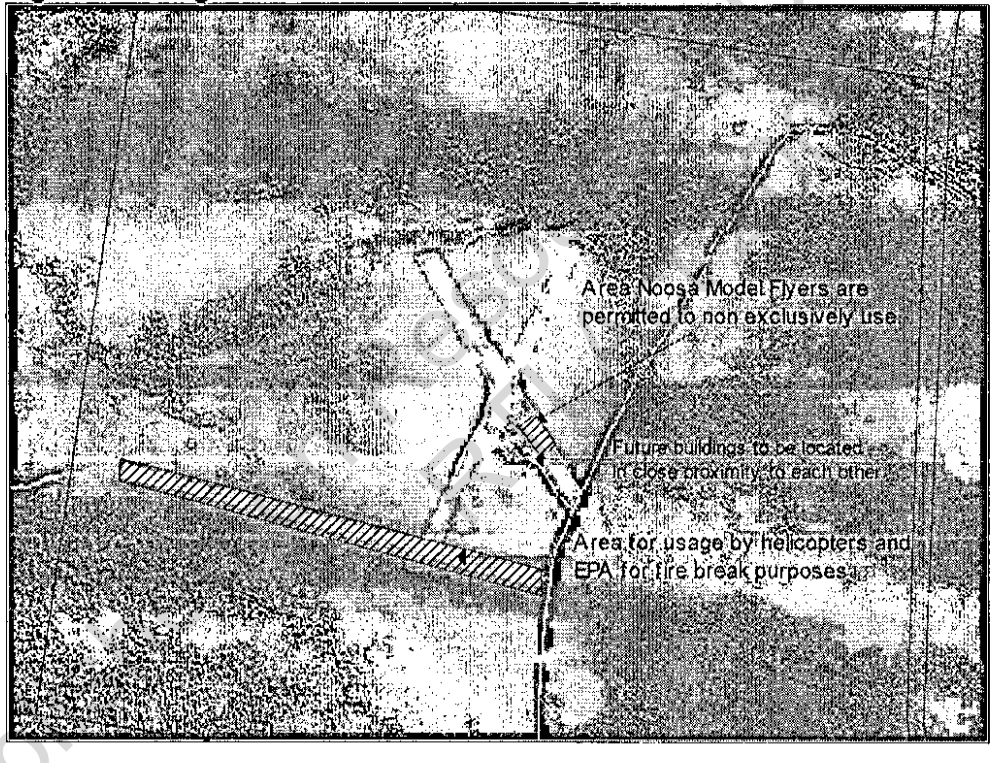
A Trustee Licence/s may be granted for use of any hangar building or part thereof subject to appropriate conditions, which may include specific responsibilities for maintenance of the building/s including a maintenance inspection schedule and limitations on vehicle access numbers outlined below.

The flying of model aircraft is to be undertaken in compliance with the following:

- the area permitted for landings and take-offs is a 50m section of the runway directly in front of the original hangar and is at least 30 metre distance from the north south runway however they do not have exclusive use of the area;
- the area referred to above may be mown by model flyers at their own expense;
- aircraft including hang gliders have absolute priority over model aircraft. Model aircraft are to be landed immediately upon a pilot indication an intention to land the aircraft;
- a VHF radio is to be operational at all times that model flying is undertaken;
- model plans shall not exceed a flying height of 7 metres.

All users including commercial operators and licensees are to attend a six monthly meeting to discuss any issues and to share information. The meeting may refer issues to appropriate Council staff for advice, clarification or assistance.

Figure 3 – Usage areas



As noisy activities, such as helicopter movements, model aircraft, increased traffic etc through the National Park to the landing ground disturb native fauna, usage levels are to be kept to a minimum in recognition of the very high conservation values of the area, possible future World Heritage listing and the QPWS Great Walk currently being constructed. Consequently a material change of use application is to be submitted to Council if the following levels are to be exceeded except when a special, Council approved, event is held:

- Up to 50 vehicles are permitted in total to access the site per week whether it be for ultra light, micro light, hang gliding or parachuting purposes, with a maximum of 15 on any one day.

Public Disclosure Log

- Up to 50 vehicles are permitted to access the site per week for model aircraft purposes with a maximum of 15 on any one day.

- Up to 104 helicopter movements are permitted per week where one movement is equivalent to a take off and landing, or approach/departure, or turn engine on/turn engine off, with a maximum of 20 in any 24 hour period Monday to Friday. A maximum of 2 helicopter movements per day are permitted on the weekend.

- Less than 10 vehicles are permitted to access the site per week for helicopter purposes with a maximum of 5 on any one day.

5 INFRASTRUCTURE AND MAINTENANCE

Council proposes the installation of a uni sex toilet facility of composting or other suitable type. The toilet will be available to all users and visitors. Any existing toilet not operating to a satisfactory standard will be decommissioned.

Council consider a further 2 hangar buildings of similar size to the original hangar (total of 3) will be permitted on site. New hangar buildings must have the written approval of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council Community Services Department and all necessary development permits (eg Planning Scheme, building and plumbing).

Council will continue to slash all strips a minimum of 4 times per annum and undertake a routine inspection four times per annum whilst funds are allocated as per Councils regular maintenance program. Based on the Inspection Noosa North Shore Aerodrome report (Aug 2006) prepared by Aerodrome Support Services the inspection will ensure:

- the windsock swivel functions correctly
- a 9m diameter darkened circle is around the wind indicator pole
- trees are more than 100m from the end of each runway
- runways are slashed and adequately defined with markers
- the runway markers are clear of grass.

EPA is permitted to slash any of the strips at anytime they consider necessary for fire management purposes.

Maintain the access to road to a suitable standard where tenure exists to prevent future road widening and encourage the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service to do the same.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

ATTACHMENT A

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1 AIRSTRIP CLASSIFICATION

The airstrip itself is classified as an Aeroplane Landing Area (ALA). Operational data for the landing ground is published in "*Enroute Supplement Australia" (ERSA)* which is published by Airservices Australia. There are no set standards required for an ALA, but the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) has provided a 'Civil Aviation Advisory Publication" (CAAP 92.1) which sets out guidelines for the establishment of an ALA. Council commissioned Aerodrome Operation Support (AOS) to provide recommendations on ways to reduce any perceived risks and this was completed in Aug 2006. At this time it was decided to close the landing ground to general aviation and appropriate markers on the runways were installed to inform pilots that the runways were closed. Wayne Cambie (Noosa Model Flyers) and Dave Cookman (Ultra Light) undertook the closure on behalf of Council as they had completed a Aerodrome Operation Support (AOS) Reporting Officer Training Course at Council expense on 28 February 2007. The work was inspected and approved by AOS.

2 CURRENT USAGE LEVELS

Current users of the reserve and usage patterns are outlined in the table below

USER	USAGE
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Utilise the site as a control centre during fire and slash the southern east west strip on occasions
Sunshine Coast Hang Gliding Club	32-year history of usage. Approximately 6 members of this club fly ultra lights and use the strip
Tow Hang Gliding Club and Aero Shutte Association	Occasional usage
Sean Luke	Trains people for power gliding
Caboolture Micro lights	Approximately 6 members use the strip
McDermott Helicopters	13 to 14 year history of usage of the site 7 days per week. Undertake maintenance, testing, demonstration and training activities
Energex Rescue Helicopters	Usage both day and night approx once per week for training purposes
Becker Helicopter Services	13-year history. Use strip twice per day and at night twice per month. Usage is soon to increase
Blue Tongue Helicopter	20 year history of usage
Noosa Model Flyers	6 year history of usage
Miscellaneous	Individuals occasionally land at the site
Gympie Flying School	Training

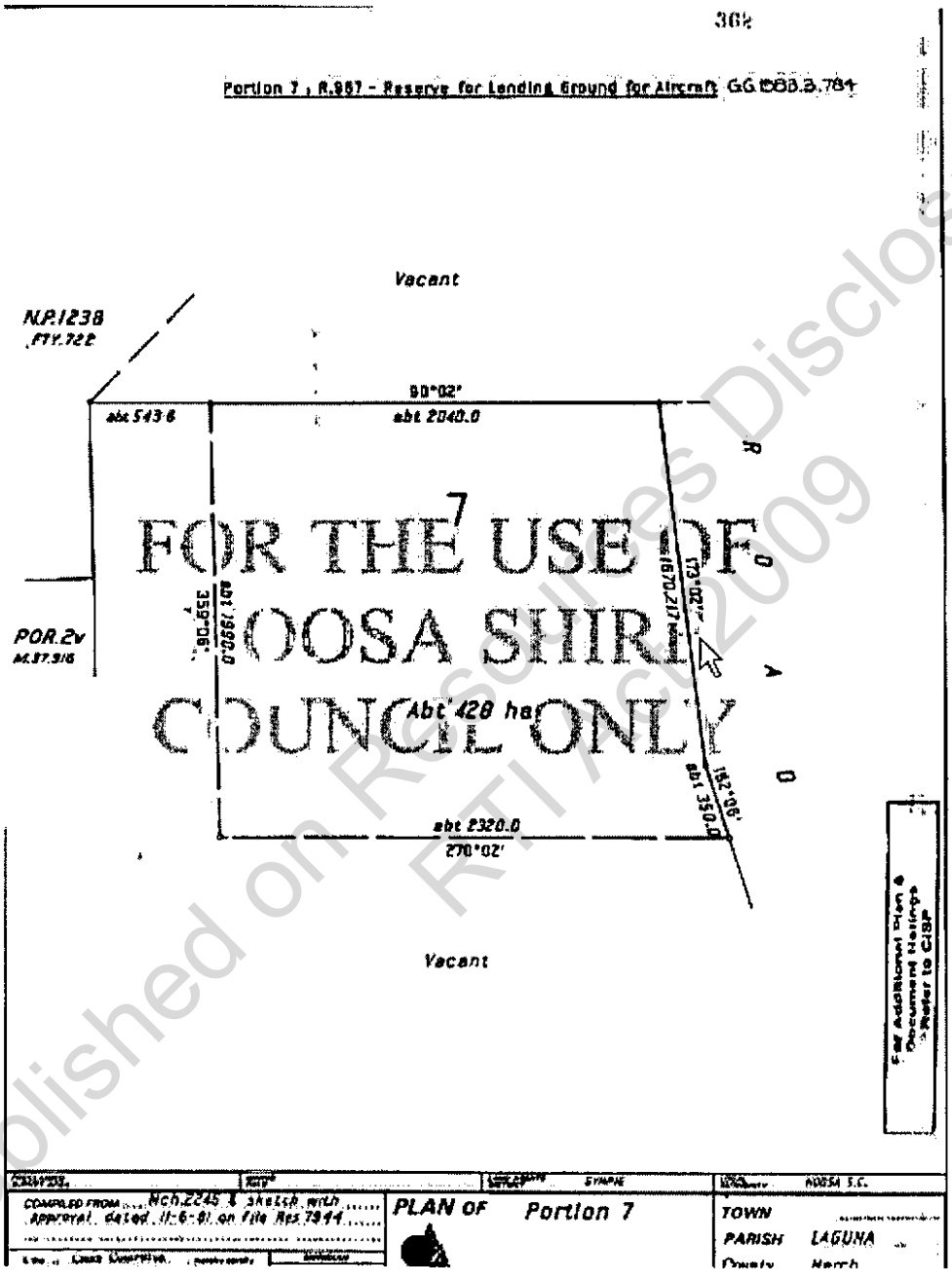
Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

The helicopter operators have requested permission to utilise the southern east west strip, previously closed for rejuvenation, as this would allow separation from other users.

3 TENURE

Lot 7 MCH4562 is a Reserve for Landing Ground for Aircraft and Council is trustee of the reserve. Figure A below is a current survey plan of the site. There are no registered easements over this land.

Figure A – Survey Plan



The Noosa North Shore Management Strategy (Oct 2003) endorsed by Council contained an action stating:

> *Transfer the Landing Ground to National Park as approved by Cabinet in 1992, on the proviso that the areas required for emergency landings, ultra light purposes, helicopter training, model aircraft use are retained as a reserve for landing ground purposes, or that the whole area be*

Published on Russell's Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

transferred to National park provided documented evidence is given that use of the landing ground be allowed to continue.

The EPA wrote to Council on 24 February 2006 outlining its preferred tenure of the existing Landing Ground is Resource Reserve and National Park with a joint trusteeship over the landing ground. Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 13 April 2006 agreed to relinquish the trusteeship of the balance area of the Landing Ground Resource Reserve (ie the area located outside of the currently mown landing strips and ancillary areas) on lot 7 MCH4562, to allow it to transfer to National Park.

To date (March 2009) no action has been taken to progress the matter by EPA, Council or NRW.

For approximately 20 plus years Roelef Barrink had a lease on the hanger located at the landing ground. The lease expired in 2005 and since that time no new leases have been granted.

A decision was made in 2006 to close the southern east west strip and allow it to rejuvenate, as it appeared to be surplus to current needs at the time. Discussions with users has revealed the helicopter operators continue to use this strip for training purposes.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

s.73



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Teewah Airfield



Teewah Airfield is a small grassed landing field located on 428ha of land on the Noosa North Shore. The airfield land has been a reserve established for Landing Ground for Aircraft under council control since 1948 and is strategically important to aviation on the Sunshine Coast. The airfield has three grass runways and a small shed.

Teewah Airfield is isolated from built up areas and abuts the Noosa National Park. It operates as a satellite landing ground for helicopter activities from a number of helicopter operators based on the Sunshine Coast. The airfield is also used by ultra light aircraft, gliders and model aircraft flyers. The airfield is not suitable for fixed wing airplane operations.

The airfield is accessed by land via a short track from the Teewah-Noosa Road.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Author: Matthew Halls
File / Ref: TF49005762 – Noosa North Shore Landing Ground
Directorate / Unit: State Land Asset Management
Phone: (07)54512273

10 April 2013

Att: Geoff Brittingham
Regional Manager
Sunshine Coast & Fraser Region
Dept of National Parks, Recreation, Sport & Racing
PO Box 318
MAROOCHYDORE QLD 4558

Dear Sir,

NOOSA NORTH SHORE LANDING GROUND
LOT 7 ON MCH4562

I refer to previous discussions and correspondence on the future tenure and use of the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground, Lot 7 on MCH4562.

I refer specifically to the previous Governments decision of 1992 in which it was decided to revoke the current Reserve for Landing Ground purposes and include this area within the Great Sandy National Park subject to the below requirements.

- Continued use of Ultra Light Aircraft, the Noosa Model Flyers and emergency landings.
- Maintenance of the Airstrip for use by the abovementioned organisations.
- Ongoing maintenance of the access road to the airstrip in conjunction with Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

I have been requested to seek the DNPRSR's views on the matter of accepting ownership of Lot 7 on MCH4562 post revocation as a Land Act reserve subject to incorporating the above requirements in future tenure allocation.

Can you please advise whether or not DNPRSR will accept the transfer of tenure of Lot 7 on MCH4562 subject to the above conditions?

If you wish to discuss this matter please contact Matthew Halls on (07)54512273.

All future correspondence relative to this matter is to be referred to the contact officer at the address below or by email to slam-nambour@dnrm.qld.gov.au. Any hard copy correspondence received will be electronically scanned and filed. For this reason, it is recommended that any attached plans, sketches or maps be no larger than A3-sized.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Please quote reference number TF49005762 in any future correspondence.

Yours sincerely

FOR **Renee Grant**
Senior Land Officer
State Land Asset Management, Nambour

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

CTS 19488/12

Chief of Staff	[redacted] OK
Snr Policy Advisor	OK
Dated / /	
Approved Not Approved Noted	
Further information required	
Minister....	sch4p4(6) Personal information
Dated	23 / / 2013

To: Minister Cripps
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

From [redacted] Sue Ryan
Acting Director-General
11/1/13 Natural Resources and Mines

Endorsed: Jim Grundy, Acting Deputy Director-General, Service Delivery
Wally Kearnan, Executive Director, South Region

2 January 2013

Proposed Transfer of Teewah Landing Ground Reserve to National Park

Recommendation

1. It is recommended that the Minister:
   - **Note** that agreement between all parties has not been achieved to date regarding the proposed relocation of the Teewah Landing Ground (airstrip).
   - **Sign** the letter to the Honourable Glen Elmes MP Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier advising that the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) will commence the state land tenure actions associated with revoking the reserve which currently contains the airstrip.

Timing

2. The timing of this brief is urgent as resolving the location of the landing ground has been an ongoing issue since 1992.

Background

3. In December 1992, the Queensland Government approved that Reserve R967, Lot 7 on Plan MCH4562 be surrendered by the then Noosa Shire Council and transferred to National Park subject to discussions to be held with user groups seeking access to the airstrip and ongoing maintenance of the airstrip. The issue was to be resolved between the then Minister for Environment and Heritage and the Minister for Lands.
4. In mid May 1995, the then Department of Lands proposed the transfer of the airstrip to the then Department of Environment and Heritage (DEH). However, due to the issue of ongoing maintenance of the airstrip, DEH declined to accept the transfer of the land.
5. Since that time the local authority has managed the land in accordance with its trusteeship responsibilities. Over the past few years the use of the airstrip has intensified, including helicopter training.
6. Due to the intensified use of the airstrip and regular day and night helicopter training, many residents in the local area have made repeated complaints to local councillors and to Minister Elmes, the Member for Noosa, in a bid to have all helicopter training ceased at the airstrip.
7. In response to the repeated requests from local residents, Minister Elmes requested a meeting with all relevant stakeholders to discuss and resolve the issue.
8. On 14 August 2012, officers from DNRM, the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP), the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR), the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP), the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) and officers from Sunshine Coast Regional Council (the council) (General and Airports Sunshine Coast), Councillor Tony Wellington from the council and Minister Elmes met at the council office at Tewantin.
9. There are differing views on the future use and tenure of the land.
10. DSDIP and the council (General and Airports Sunshine Coast) consider the airstrip to be essential aviation infrastructure due to extreme difficulty in acquiring new land for aviation purposes on the east coast of Queensland.

RECEIVED 11-1-13

Published by Resources Disclosure Log FEB 2009

11. DNPRSR, EHP, local councillors and the local member Minister Elmes wish for the land to be transferred to the adjoining National Park as per the government's decision, with the allowance of Ultra Light Aircraft and the Noosa Model Flyers retaining use of the physical airstrip area and use for emergency situations.
12. The meeting resulted in Minister Elmes requesting the investigation of alternative sites for the airstrip and consultation between the council and DNPRSR on the maintenance of the access road to the airstrip.
13. The issues that need to resolve to progress the transfer of the airstrip:
    - Determine whether DNPRSR is prepared to accept the transfer of the reserve post revocation whilst resolving the issue of maintaining the airstrip for the use of Ultra Light Aircraft, the Noosa Model Flyers and emergency landing use.
    - Finding a solution to whether DNPRSR and the council will maintain the access road to the site.
    - Advise the council, all parties with a registered interest and any other person that DNRM believes should be advised of the proposed revocation of the reserve in accordance with section 34A and 34B of the *Land Act 1994* (the Act). All relevant submissions regarding the proposal must be considered in the decision making process.
    - Ensure that any existing agreements or financial contracts that the council (General and Airports Sunshine Coast) have for use of the airstrip with external parties are properly considered.
14. When the above issues have been addressed, DNRM can revoke the reserve and transfer the land to DNPRSR for addition into the adjoining National Park.
15. DNRM has discussed the inclusion of the airstrip into the protected area estate with DNPRSR at an operational level. It is unlikely that DNPRSR will accept the land unless the airstrip is totally decommissioned.
16. According to advice provided to Minister Elmes by EHP on 15 November 2012, state government representatives and key aviation companies are currently investigating alternative sites for the airstrip. Potential sites have been found and their suitability is currently being assessed.

Next steps

17. DNRM will instigate the revocation of the reserve by obtaining written agreement from DNPRSR to accept the transfer of the land post revocation, while providing adequate provisions for continued use of the airstrip in line with the government's decision of 1992 as well as resolving the issue of maintenance of the access road with the council.
18. DNRM to provide written notice of its intention to revoke the reserve to the council as per sections 34A and 34B of the Act.

sch4p4(6) Personal information

Sue Ryan

Action Officer: Matthew Halls
Telephone: 5451 2273

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Comments:

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

What's all the hoop-la, then?



THE circus is coming to town, but not as you know it.

Adults, teenagers and children as young as six are invited to roll up to Sensory Circus Tribe's circus workshops these school holidays.

Karyn Smith, the director of the Sunshine Coast-based fire and circus performance troupe, said they would be teaching hoola hoops, trapeze, silks, acrobatic balancing, juggling and plate balancing at Undisputed Fitness Health and Wellbeing at Coolum Beach.

"I've seen people who can't do anything and come give it a go and they love it," Ms Smith said.

"It also helps to build self-confidence. "It's something that everyone should try at least once in their lives."

Ms Smith said she had witnessed past participants discover just what they were capable of while conquering a few old fears at the same time.

"It ignites the circus in them," she said.

"It brings out each person's individuality ... whatever their talent is.

"It's physical and creative all at the same time and it's doable."

The classes will be held today amd tomorrow from 10am-11.15am (6-13-years-olds) and on Thursday from 10am-11.15am (14-years-old plus).

The cost is $16 a person or $11 for anyone who "likes" the page on Facebook.

Go to facebook.com/sensory.circustribe for more information or call 0448 120 359 or email sensorycircus@gmail.com to book.

RINGSIDE SEAT: Karyn Smith's Sensory Circus Tribe will hold three workshops at Coolum this week.

Mayor defends Saudis in training

By **KATHY SUNDSTROM**
Kathy.Sundstrom@scnews.com.au





FIERY EXCHANGE: Frank Wilkie (left) and Mayor Mark Jamieson.

MARK Jamieson has accused a former Noosa councillor of "xenophobia" because of his concerns the Saudi Arabian National Guard is training on a small Noosa north shore airstrip.

Frank Wilkie, who served on the council in 2007, wrote to all councillors on the weekend asking why it was assisting the "military of a repressive, medieval regime that still has public beheadings".

Mr Wilkie, who was also the former Noosa News editor, also questioned what "motivates our mayor and councillors to override the concerns of Coast residents and ratepayers in favour of this regime with such an appalling human rights record".

Mr Wilkie said the Guard was the "elite arm for the king".

"This is the only government in the world which bans women driving," he said.

Mr Jamieson said Mr Wilkie served on the Noosa Council after it endorsed the Noosa North Shore Management Plan which "opened the door for helicopter training at Teewah".

"So he had the opportunity to change it, but didn't," he said.

"Now he attacks the current council for not doing what he failed to do himself.

"Notwithstanding the fact the Federal Government decides who is allowed to trade in this country, Mr Wilkie's comments reek of xenophobia.

"Is Mr Wilkie seriously suggesting that foreign nationals from any country with a different government to ours should be banned?

"Is Mr Wilkie seriously suggesting the Coast's English schools ban Saudi students, the local maker of super catamarans stop selling to Saudi Arabia, and hotels turn away Saudi tourists? Mr Wilkie should retract his comments."

The ongoing helicopter training from an airstrip at Teewah has sparked local outrage about the constant noise levels.

Angry residents packed the Sunshine Coast Council's ordinary meeting last week as Cr Tony Wellington introduced a Notice of Motion to ban commercial helicopter flights.

Cr Wellington said in the past six months the number of trips had escalated to "helicopters going from 6am to 10 or 11 at night, often in groups of two or three – seven days a week."

His concerns have been shared by Member for Noosa, Glen Elmes, who accused the council of "refusing to act".

"The people in my electorate are poorly served by people supposed to be acting in good faith, and that is the Sunshine Coast Council," he said.

Get Foxtel with free* MyStar
on a 6 month plan. Plus free* installation.



FOXTEL
experience better

From only $45* a month for 6 months. *Min cost $270 on direct debit.

Free* MyStar (on a 6 month plan)
- Record a show - or a series at the touch of a button so they are ready when you are.
- Pause and rewind live TV - so you never miss a thing during your favourite shows.
- Remote record from anywhere - with the MyStar Guide App^ for compatible mobile devices.

+

Better TV
Get over 30 popular channels in our Get Started pack, including:
- Two of the biggest documentary channels - National Geographic and Discovery.
- Award-winning drama - including HBO dramas and shows express from the US, so you see them first on Foxtel.
- Inspiring lifestyle shows - brought to you by the experts.

+

Flexibility
- Short 6 month plan - we've waived the usual 12 month contract, giving you the freedom of Foxtel with no long-term commitment.
- Change your monthly package - You can change your package month to month to suit your viewing and budget needs.
- Choose your install time - Join Foxtel online and book your own install window for a time you know you will be home.

Don't miss out. Offer ends 12 Oct 2012. Call 131 989 or visit foxtel.com.au/mystaroffer

*Min cost $270 on 6 month direct debit plan based on Starter Pack with Foxtel iQ/MyStar STU. New residential customers and standard install only. Cancel fee applies. STU will vary depending on location: MyStar provided in Foxtel areas serviced by Austar. Offer ends 12 October 2012. Foxtel and some services not available to all homes. Foxtel marks are used under licence by Foxtel Management Pty Ltd. ^Internet connection required. ISP and data charges may apply.

Published on Rawsources.com PTY Act 2006

NOOSA NORTH SHORE LANDING GROUND RESERVE - TEEWAH LANDING STRIP
Stakeholder Meeting Tuesday 14 August 2012
Noosa Council Chambers

Attendees –

- **Hon Glen Elmes MP, Member for Noosa**
- **Lyn Parker Noosa EO**

Environment & Heritage Protection

- **Luke Navie**
- **Ross MacLeod**

Natural Resources & Mines

- **Doug Courtney**
- **Matthew Halls**
- **Renee Grant**

National Parks Recreation Sport & Racing

- **Ross Belcher**

State Development Infrastructure & Planning

- **Mal Lane**

Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry

- **Brian Stockwell**

Sunshine Coast Council

- **Richard Hill**
- **Simon Kinchington**

Apologies – Cr Steve Robinson

Glen Elmes (GE) welcomed attendees and spoke of the problems caused by the helicopter operations. Mentioned that there was also a problem with fixed-wing aircraft but from the information he had available, the extent of this could not be verified.

Discussed use of the strip under the Great Sandy Region National Park Management Plan (the Plan). GE confirmed that he gave the hang gliders and the model flyers his commitment for their continued use of the landing strip site. They maintain the area used by everyone else and cause no problems.

Council wanted to extend the Wilderness Caravan Park.

Luke Navie (LN) outlined the terms of the Plan in terms of the agenda.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Tony Wellington (TW) - "issues that were not in keeping with the terms of the Plan". Great Sandy Management Plan refers to aircraft being in conflict with visitors "in search of peace and quiet and enjoyment of the sights and sounds of nature" and also causing disturbance to and endangering wildlife (see3.20). Receiving complaints from people hiking in the Cooloola Section of the Great Sandy National Park who have gone there for an eco-experience but have to contend with the noise of helicopters taking off and landing.

No potential alternatives have been raised or mentioned with GE.

GE advised that LN had looked at the cadastral maps. There are no alternative sites on the North Shore or up in this northern part of the Coast; an alternative would have to be found at the southern end of the Coast.

TW mentioned that the pine forests could be used. Stated that the CEO mentioned this at a recent meeting.

Simon Kinchington (SK) – a fair bit of work had been done in recent years to find alternative sites. State Government looked for a number of years but couldn't find another site to replace Caloundra. They looked at Johnson Road, south of Bells Creek. They learned from the whole exercise that finding an alternative for an aerodrome is almost impossible.

Johnson Road was originally considered on the basis that Caloundra was going to be sold and the money from that sale used to develop an alternative but at the time (2010) the Treasurer said that no money would be available. It got caught up with the sale of state forests. In late 2010 the Government said they were no longer interested in finding an alternative site. It is not easy to find an alternative aerodrome; the advice of the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Transport is that if you lose an aerodrome on the east coast of Australia, it won't be replaced.

TW - Teewah was also used for fixed-wing aircraft training, yet Peter Pallot told council the other week that fixed-wing aircraft did not use the airstrip.

SK - Teewah is used for 'missed approaches' and 'engine out' procedures . The airfield is used all weekend for that purpose. (He lives nearby).

GE – is there no alternative at Kybong for the fixed wing?

SK - can't answer that question. You would need to consult the aircraft operators.

Doug Courtney (DC) - Johnson Road (control over) has gone over to Forestry.

SK - in the work done in 2007/2009 the Government identified five possibilities and eliminated all but two of them; the second one was Stockland's land and the other was Johnson Road which was the preferred alternative because there was no residential impediment. Thinks there is still the opportunity to have a conversation about that land being used as an alternative for Caloundra.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

DC – Johnson Road is still State Forest with the private company being lessee for the timber.

SK – good access to the site. Has highway access just near Wild Mountain Lookout turnoff; 3klm dirt road into it and they were looking at two runways and they thought it had good potential to be a replacement aerodrome. Would need power and water but that can be done.

TW – be easier to get emergency vehicles into there as well.

SK - the site has no impediments. They did plans for 400 hectares and two runways. Only challenge was getting power to it.

GE – Beckers had been trying to find alternative sites and would be willing to buy the land but Becker was not given surety that he could continue to use it for that purpose. Maybe they could be persuaded to bring it (Johnson Road) to a standard so that it could be used for training.

SK – needs to determine with the operators what their needs are.

GE - they are not contributing to the cost at all; either the road or the landing field. At the moment they are getting off scott free.

GE - that's a conversation that Peter Pallot could be having with the operators.

DC - Caloundra doesn't have a use-by date. Draft plan to go to council in September. Challenge will be the use that has been approved around its boundaries.

DC – a great deal of work was done by E&H on Johnson Road but the remote decision was not to proceed because of financial provisions but that was based on an alternative for Caloundra.

SK - but what we are talking about is creating a small area to use for take-off and landing purposes.

GE – if there were a couple of additional sites there would be an argument to keep Teewah in the mix but here you've got council planning to increase the flight operations there.

TW – on retaining Teewah there are impediments –

- the landing ground is zoned Open Space Conservation under the Noosa Plan, and not to be used for any commercial use;
- there is no policing of how many flights are conducted there or when; and
- the biggest argument against Teewah is that it is a serious impediment to World Heritage Listing and if it's prevented because of these operations and we lose this listing, we lose 20 years of work. World Heritage Listing will bring more dollars into the area than any helicopter training operations over a greater period of time.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

TENURE OPTIONS

DC - Trust land and controlled under the Lands Act regardless of the management plans above it. Regardless of the outcome here today, we have a Cabinet decision that says certain things so that Cabinet decision, in 1992, says the area goes to National Park and the landing ground remain for the use of air craft and light aircraft. If that were to change, it's got to go back to Cabinet.

Part of that decision was with the old Department of Lands. It was not done because of the maintenance of the landing ground. The department took the decision that it was fairly well protected and was to remain as a landing ground reserve and has been that way since 1948. Future demands it either stays as a landing ground reserve or they set it aside under the Nature Conservation Act.

GE – in terms of the training, nobody in 1992 imagined for one minute we would be training the Saudi Arabian National Guard.

GE to Richard Hill (RH) – what are council's plans for the Wilderness Park? A direct road needs revocation for the track to change it into a road.

GE – there has already been a revocation and once the tenure of Teewah takes place, this can be revoked?

DC – the Noosa North Shore Management Plan was not part of that so we are not doing any land swaps or deals. The Wilderness Camp can expand under the Resources Reserve but the landing strip was totally supported. Very complicated expanding the Resources Reserve. The Reserve was shrunk and local access was extinguished without being replaced.

The idea was to restrict camping numbers on the beach. They were happy to extend the camping ground to take the numbers off the beach but want a broader land management outcome. Particularly with progressing the World Heritage Listing nomination.

GE – is there a linkage between what is happening at Teewah to access with landing strip?

DC - No. Separate issues.

Ross Belcher (RB) – the road is heavy management cost for them. It can be covered by 1metre of water in a bad wet season. Ongoing maintenance would be huge.

GE - the other alternative is the access road that goes up beside the Wilderness Park. The road was an easement for the power lines that goes up beside that piece of land.

RB – most of that is still heavily vegetated. You would still have the same land. That track has been stabilised with gravel but would need massive roadworks. No alternative.

GE - what is council's position in helping to maintain that existing track?

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

SK– previously maintained by Noosa Council but they were discouraged on the basis that it would compromise the National Park because you would be bringing in foreign material to the National Park.

RB – could be done if you made sure it's clear of weeds, etc.

GE – what's the estimated cost; rough ball park figure?

RB – cost, under those conditions, you're looking at – really broad figures – during a really wet year - $100,000 and on an annual basis for maintenance around about $20,000-$30,000 annual maintenance and that's not taking into account staff salaries. In the condition it's in, it's not an emergency access road.

SK – you'd bring a helicopter in; set down pick up and straight to hospital. You wouldn't risk it with a vehicle and then the ferry; you'd just call a helicopter.

RB – that's not the issue. It's part of what's called 'The Great Walk'; World Heritage Listing. They support commercial activities in that area but not the helicopter training. Best option is a better location for the helicopter training ground. The other issues are not a problem because they're recreational. Also have to take into consideration the wildlife values.

GE – if the helicopters disappeared overnight and QPWS was back to tors, there would be no problem from QPWS?

RB – we could live with it although it's not the best option. Don't know our budget yet but happy to work in cooperation with council. QPWS maintain the fire breaks and its one of the major fire breaks and they would use the access road; the airstrip is also a fire break. It's a defined vegetation management regime.

Ross MacLeod (RM) – Council could be trustees for that area – an option could be to transfer the bulk of the area to national park and retain a small area for recreational use that could be designated as conservation park that would allow those uses and council could be trustee.

GE – Action to be taken –

1. Johnson Road needs to be explored from the point of view of an alternative site;
2. Need to try and organise some discussion to take place between QPWS and council over the issue of the access road and see where that takes us;
3. A serious conversation with the operator of the airport, Peter Pallot, in terms of some real alternative routes in the short term for helicopters accessing Teewah.

SK – need to spend time with the operators. Johnston Road is an alternative for Caloundra, not Teewah.

RH – there is no control over where they go.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

SK – there are defined air spaces from Brisbane which need to be adjusted for the new runway at Sunshine Coast Airport; we are working on it. At the moment aircraft proceeding through that controlled airspace are managed by Air Services Australia but once you are outside that controlled air space you are operating under visual flight rules i.e. avoid collisions. One VFR corridor follows the Bruce Highway.

Mal Lane (ML) – from a broader picture Teewah is essential aviation infrastructure. It's central to the local aviation industry with broader impacts on local employment, investment, international training and education etc. The idea of exploring complementary sites for training is supported but not the loss of Teewah for this purpose.

GE – they are operating outside the rules of the game. The operations are not in keeping with the current Cabinet decision nor the Great Sandy Region Management Plan. Nobody envisaged the Saudi Arabian National Guard. Also, council are now considering increasing that.

ML – there needs to be some type of local aircraft management plan.

SK – the difficulty in managing aviation impacts is that on the ground , State-based land use planning is relevant; in the air, aircraft operate under Commonwealth legislation and there is no real connection between the two. Agrees that the extent of the training has changed but if you want to reduce that you need to identify an alternative.

GE – we need to find an alternative. Supportive of the two community groups who are there. They do all the maintenance, etc. Want to ensure their right of tenure to remain.

GE – concerned that he has not had any indication from council at all that they are willing to assist. Recounted unanswered correspondence to John Knaggs, CEO of 20 March 2012, the Mayor of 18 May 2012, Peter Pallot replied to a letter of 12 April on 14 June but has not responded to a subsequent letter of 22 June 2012. SK was unaware of this. We will email him copies of the corro.

SK – the helicopter traffic out of Sunshine Coast Airport is now being dispersed to some extent. A lot of the traffic coming in over Eumundi will be approaching or departing Brisbane, on the VFR flight track and following the highway between 3000 and 5000 feet.

MacDermotts come through from Cooroy and others from Kybong.

GE – in terms of finding alternative options, Kybong, permission from the private land holders – who is best placed to look at the Johnson Road option?

DC - It will be done now by Forestry.

LN - suggests contacting Ben Thurrick, Mhairhead MacLeod or her Supervisor Jeff Kent. Brian Stockwell will undertake to do this.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

From the point of view of the Teewah access road, GE will talk to Steve Dickson and Ross Belcher will look internally.

GE will write to John Knaggs in terms of assisting with the up-keep.

RB will do some work on refining those figures.

GE - When was the last time QPWS spent any money out there? RB to check.

RH – what can be done to move forward on that? (Wilderness Park access)

LN – his direction is not to progress camping ground issue until we have an outcome for Teewah.

RH – can you seek another direction?

LN – I'll go back and discuss.

DC - Noosa North Shore Management Plan landing ground be left out of the Resources Reserve would be amended. Certainly work done on that. It's all been done piecemeal. DC doesn't know why it hasn't progressed. It was agreed to in this very room (Noosa Council Chambers). From the point of view of this exercise it would be good to get both things sorted.

DC – won't do anything with the tenures at the moment. Council is responsible for the management; the planes coming in and out. Council is Trustee and therefore, for example, you control your sporting grounds and there is no difference with the landing ground. As trustee, you can restrict the use.

SK - the issue is that they don't always touch down. If they don't touch down, you don't have control.

DC – as a landing ground reserve council has the right to restrict under the Land Act. This is a reserve under council's Trusteeship and as such, council can restrict use.

RM – can we nominate a timeframe to get this thing sorted? Not take another 20 years.

GE – I don't want to see it drawn out. The alternative sites process will take longer so it depends on how fast that can happen.

GE – I will drive it along as fast as it's possible to do but I want to see both resolved at the same time; the two stages have to be done simultaneously.

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Member for Hinchinbrook

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Ref CTS 06426/12

31 MAY 2012

Mr Glen Elmes MP
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and
Minister Assisting the Premier
Member for Noosa
PO Box 1849
NOOSAVILLE DC QLD 4566

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter of 11 May 2012 regarding the future of the Landing Ground for Aircraft Reserve (the reserve) located on the Noosa North Shore.

On 11 February 2012, the former Minister for Environment wrote to the former Minister for Finance, Natural Resources and The Arts regarding the future of the reserve. I have attached a copy of this letter and my response of 10 May 2012 to the Honourable Steven Dickson MP, Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing. This response details the background history in relation to the reserve.

I have requested that further discussions occur between the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) to determine the area of the reserve that is to be dedicated as national park and the area that is to be utilised as the landing ground. I can confirm that DNRM officers are arranging for discussions to commence between the appropriate authorised officers of the agencies and the council.

Your offer to facilitate such discussions is greatly appreciated; however, I believe this matter can be resolved at agency/council level. I have requested DNRM to take account of your views and requirements in dealing with this issue. I shall advise you of the outcome of the discussions prior to a decision being made on the future of the reserve.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Ms Susan McDonald, Chief of Staff, will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 3225 1861.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Att

Level 17
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email NRM@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published by Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Member for Hinchinbrook

Queensland Government

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Ref CTS 02571/12

10 MAY 2012

The Honourable Steven Dickson MP
Minister for National Parks, Recreation,
Sport and Racing
GPO Box 15187
CITY EAST QLD 4002

COPY

Dear Minister Steve

I refer to the letter of 11 February 2012, from the previous Minister for Environment regarding the future of the Landing Ground for Aircraft Reserve (the reserve) located on the Noosa North Shore. I am pleased to be able to respond to you as the recently appointed Minister for Natural Resources and Mines.

The reserve was created in June 1948 and is currently under the trusteeship of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council. I am advised that in 1995 the then Department of Lands advised the then Department of Environment and Heritage (DEH) that "the reserve would be made available for National Park Purposes provided discussions were held with user groups seeking access to the airstrip and to the maintenance of the airstrip". The subsequent discussions indicated that the landing strip would be retained for use by ultra light and other forms of light aircraft. In response, the DEH advised it was not prepared to bear any costs associated with the maintenance of the airstrip, but would be prepared to consider granting some sort of occupancy on the basis that maintenance costs were borne by the users. Consequently, the reserve has remained under the trusteeship of the council.

In March 2009 the council prepared a management plan for the reserve. The management plan, in part, recommended that the council relinquishes trusteeship of the balance area of the reserve outside the current mown landing strip. This would result in the ancillary areas being dedicated as national park.

I can advise that I have the authority under the provisions of the *Land Act 1994* to revoke the dedication of a current reserve. However, given the co-operation that has occurred between the former Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (which now falls under your portfolio), Land Services of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (formerly the Department of Environment and Resource Management) and the council regarding the preparation and implementation of the Noosa North Shore Management Plan, I believe such action would not be productive or in the best interest of the community as the landing strip is currently used by various community groups.

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

I suggest that further discussions occur between the council, the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines with the aim of determining the area of the reserve that is to be dedicated as national park and agency responsibilities for the landing strip. I have requested Mr Doug Courtney, Principal Land Officer, South East Region of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to arrange for these discussions to commence.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Mr Courtney will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 5451 2263.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

RECEIVED
DATE 16-2-12 BY

Hon Vicky Darling MP
Member for Sandgate

Queensland Government

Ref CTS 01827/12

Minister for Environment

11 FEB 2012

The Honourable Rachel Nolan MP
Minister for Finance, Natural Resources
and The Arts
PO Box 611
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Minister Rachel

I write to you concerning the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve R967, described as lot 7 on MCH4562 and located on Noosa North Shore. The reserve is surrounded by the Cooloola section of the Great Sandy National Park as shown on the attached map (see Attachment 1).

The reserve has an area of approximately 428 hectares, with the Sunshine Coast Regional Council its current appointed trustee. As the land forms part of the largest intact coastal heathlands in south east Queensland and contains many rare and threatened species, including the Wallum Froglet and the Ground Parrot, it has long been identified as worthy of full protection through its inclusion into the surrounding national park.

The protection of the area is a longstanding commitment of the Queensland Government going back to 1992 when Cabinet endorsed recommendations made by Tony Fitzgerald QC, chair of an enquiry established to resolve land management and other issues in the Great Sandy Region. These recommendations were summarised in the Great Sandy Region Management Plan prepared in 1994, a document also endorsed by Cabinet.

The management plan stated that the reserve should be rescinded and the land added to the adjoining Great Sandy National Park.

The inclusion of the reserve into the national park is part of a suite of tenure actions affecting Noosa North Shore that have been dealt with since that time. Other actions include the addition of areas of unallocated state land into the national park and the revocation of part of the Great Sandy Resources Reserve to formally dedicate an existing road and expand an adjoining Camping Reserve held by the council as trustee.

A large number of the proposed state land additions to the national park have already occurred and the revocation of part of the resources reserve has received Parliamentary support, with the approval of the Governor in Council the final requirement to complete the process.

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane Qld 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0844
Facsimile +61 7 3227 6309
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Website www.derm.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

This is particularly important as we finalise work on the renomination of the area for World Heritage listing – another long standing commitment of the Queensland Government.

The lands in question have also been included in the Cooloola Recreation Area.

Extensive consultation has occurred over many years with local stakeholder groups, residents, the then Noosa Shire Council and, more recently, the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

Disappointingly, these negotiations have taken a long time to resolve the myriad of land tenures and uses and agreement has not been able to be reached on the future of the reserve despite commitments being made by the Noosa Shire Council.

I am also very concerned at the apparent escalation of use of the reserve in conflict with the Cabinet-endorsed recommendation of the management plan and contrary to the articulated State Government position. Community members and a Councillor have recently written to me expressing concern at the increasing commercial use of the reserve by helicopter companies causing disruption to both nature and the community.

Other lands in both public and private hands are available for such activities that are clearly inappropriate for the land in question given the stated government intention for the area.

I therefore seek your support to revoke the reserve under section 33 of the *Land Act 1994* on the basis that it is no longer needed for a community purpose, but is rather required for an alternative use in the public interest, that is, to allow its inclusion into the surrounding Great Sandy National Park. I have also requested the Department of Environment and Resource Management to undertake those actions necessary to facilitate the revocation of part of the Great Sandy Resources Reserve to accommodate a road opening and the expansion of the council's existing Camping Reserve – a long standing aspiration of the council.

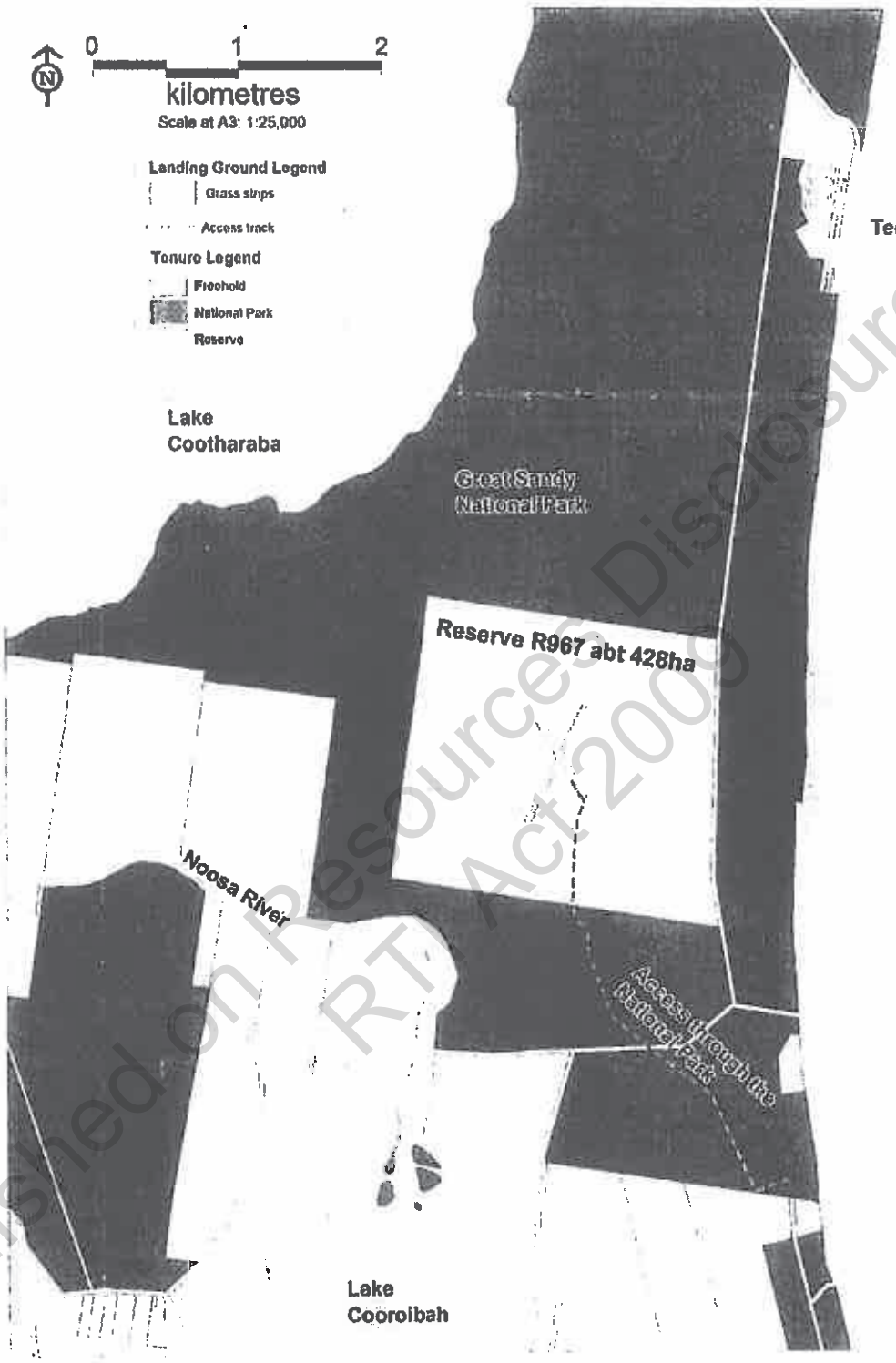
Should you be agreeable to this request, this action could be completed in the same administrative process as the addition of the reserve into the Great Sandy National Park.

Thank you for consideration of this matter. If any further information is required, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Joshua Cooney, Principal Policy Advisor in my office on telephone 3239 0844.

Yours sincerely

Vicky Darling MP
Minister for Environment

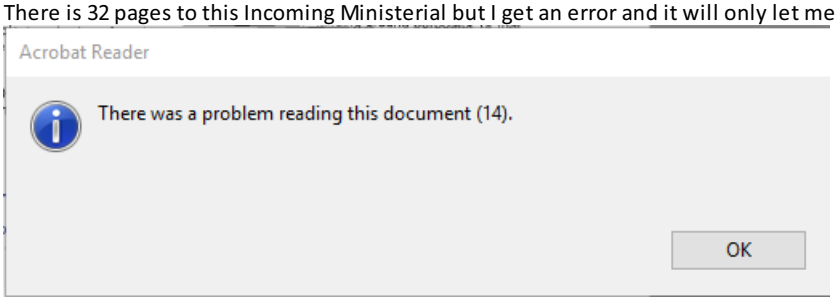
Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Date : 13/07/2020 1:55:06 PM
From : "SAVAGE Emma-jayne"
To : "HALLS Matthew"
Subject : TF49005762 5_6_2012 Incoming Ministerial Doc ID 2023248
Attachment : TF49005762 5_6_2012 Incoming Ministerial Doc ID 2023248.docx;image001.png;image002.png;image003.jpg;

There is 32 pages to this Incoming Ministerial but I get an error and it will only let me see two pages which I have attached.....



Queensland Government

Emma-Jayne Savage
Land Officer, Land Services, South Region
Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

P: 0753524245
E: emma-jayne.savage@dnrme.qld.gov.au
A: 27 O'Connell Street, GYMPIE QLD 4570 | LMB 383, GYMPIE QLD 4570
W: www.dnrme.qld.gov.au



Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

2/5

NATURAL RESOURCES and MINES
Ministerial Correspondence Action Sheet

MINISTERIAL REFERENCE	DEPT REFERENCE
M364 2012	

DATE RECEIVED MINISTER'S OFFICE: 14/5/2012

☑ **Response Letter**
- ☑ For reply under Minister's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Assistant Minster's signature
- ☐ For reply under Chief of Staff's signature
- ☐ For reply under the Senior Policy Advisor's signature

☐ **Referral Letter**
- ☐ Minister's signature
- ☐ Chief of Staff's signature

Category
Complaint / Compliment / Enquiry / Request / FYI

☐ **Briefing note**
☐ **Dot points**
☐ **FYI / No reply**
☑ **Necessary action – Dept to determine required action (Briefing Note/Reply etc)**
☐ **Dept to contact author**

MINISTER'S OFFICE COMMENTS

RECEIVED
22 MAY 2012
DATE CONFIRMED

06426/12



Glen Elmes MP
Member for Noosa

11 May 2012

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 15216
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Minister ANDREW

Attached is correspondence that I have recently sent to our colleague, the Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection, Andrew Powell together with all attachments.

The issue concerns the Teewah Landing Strip which sits on Lot 7 MCH4562 and the transfer of the area of land located outside the currently mown landing strip and ancillary areas.

This is a complex matter, not just because of the environmental aspect and the diversity of stakeholder groups affected, but because it appears to me that to resolve the issue, three different jurisdictions will be involved: Environment and Heritage Protection, National Parks, Recreation and Sport and of course, Natural Resources and Mines, the department that will ultimately be responsible for the transfer of the land.

The landing strip is currently used by the Sunshine Coast Hang Gliders Club and the Noosa Model Flyers. These groups have had approval to conduct their sport on this land for approximately 36 years. Both have very low impact on the environment.

You will note from the enclosed copy of a letter from the former Minister for Environment, Vicky Darling to her then colleague, the Minister for Natural Resources dated 11 February 2012 the former government appears to have proposed that the entire area of land be returned to National Park and other areas be found for existing use.

I am opposed to this. I believe it is essential that the air strip be retained as set out in the *Noosa North Shore Management Plan October 2003* and as endorsed by the former Noosa Council -

> Transfer the Landing Ground to National Park as approved by Cabinet in 1992, on the provision that the areas required for emergency landings, ultra-light purposes, helicopter training, model aircraft use are retained as a reserve for landing ground purposes, or that the whole area be transferred to National Park provided document evidence is given that the use of the landing ground be allowed to continue.

Further, as set out in the *Great Sandy Region Management Plan 1994-2010* as reviewed in September 2005 and which has been in place since 1994. Part B Management Strategies, Strategy 2 - Community Infrastructure and Development -

Published on Right to Information Act 2009 Records Disclosure Log

Jmc

Minister for Natural Resources
Ministerial Correspondence Action Sheet

Due Date:	Division:	Dept Ref:
	AUT/ED:	

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER
One option must be selected:

- ☐ Min Nolan – Noted: No further action required
- ☐ Min Nolan – Further response required
- ☐ PA – Noted: No further action required
- ☑ PA – Further response required
- ☐ Parl Sec – Noted: No further action required
- ☐ Parl Sec – Further response required
- ☐ Referral to another agency (PA to PA)
- ☐ No Ack letter required

ACTION
One option must be selected:

- ☐ Briefing Note
- ☑ Reply from Minister Nolan
- ☐ Reply from Under Treasurer
- ☐ Reply from Parl Sec
- ☑ Reply from PA
- ☐ For Information
- ☐ Necessary Action
- ☐ No Response Required

Copy to:

Ministerial Policy Advisor Comments:

2 items of corro re: Noosa Nth Shore Landing.
→ response to Mm Darling.

0257112

Name sch4p4(6) Personal information **Signature** sch4p4(6) Personal information **Date:** 16/2/2012

Keyword:

Notes:

RECEIVED
17 FEB 2012

MC		D/OUT	

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

RECEIVED
DATE 16-2-12 BY

Hon Vicky Darling MP
Member for Sandgate

Queensland Government

Minister for Environment

Ref CTS 01827/12

11 FEB 2012

The Honourable Rachel Nolan MP
Minister for Finance, Natural Resources
and The Arts
PO Box 611
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Minister Rachel

I write to you concerning the Noosa North Shore Landing Ground Reserve R967, described as lot 7 on MCH4562 and located on Noosa North Shore. The reserve is surrounded by the Cooloola section of the Great Sandy National Park as shown on the attached map (see Attachment 1).

The reserve has an area of approximately 428 hectares, with the Sunshine Coast Regional Council its current appointed trustee. As the land forms part of the largest intact coastal heathlands in south east Queensland and contains many rare and threatened species, including the Wallum Froglet and the Ground Parrot, it has long been identified as worthy of full protection through its inclusion into the surrounding national park.

The protection of the area is a longstanding commitment of the Queensland Government going back to 1992 when Cabinet endorsed recommendations made by Tony Fitzgerald QC, chair of an enquiry established to resolve land management and other issues in the Great Sandy Region. These recommendations were summarised in the Great Sandy Region Management Plan prepared in 1994, a document also endorsed by Cabinet.

The management plan stated that the reserve should be rescinded and the land added to the adjoining Great Sandy National Park.

The inclusion of the reserve into the national park is part of a suite of tenure actions affecting Noosa North Shore that have been dealt with since that time. Other actions include the addition of areas of unallocated state land into the national park and the revocation of part of the Great Sandy Resources Reserve to formally dedicate an existing road and expand an adjoining Camping Reserve held by the council as trustee.

A large number of the proposed state land additions to the national park have already occurred and the revocation of part of the resources reserve has received Parliamentary support, with the approval of the Governor in Council the final requirement to complete the process.

Level 13
400 George Street Brisbane Qld 4000
GPO Box 2454 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3239 0840
Facsimile +61 7 3227 6309
Email environment@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Website www.derm.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009

Hon Andrew Cripps MP
Member for Hinchinbrook

Queensland Government

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Ref CTS 02571/12

10 MAY 2012

The Honourable Steven Dickson MP
Minister for National Parks, Recreation,
Sport and Racing
GPO Box 15187
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Minister Steve

I refer to the letter of 11 February 2012, from the previous Minister for Environment regarding the future of the Landing Ground for Aircraft Reserve (the reserve) located on the Noosa North Shore. I am pleased to be able to respond to you as the recently appointed Minister for Natural Resources and Mines.

The reserve was created in June 1948 and is currently under the trusteeship of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council. I am advised that in 1995 the then Department of Lands advised the then Department of Environment and Heritage (DEH) that "the reserve would be made available for National Park Purposes provided discussions were held with user groups seeking access to the airstrip and to the maintenance of the airstrip". The subsequent discussions indicated that the landing strip would be retained for use by ultra light and other forms of light aircraft. In response, the DEH advised it was not prepared to bear any costs associated with the maintenance of the airstrip, but would be prepared to consider granting some sort of occupancy on the basis that maintenance costs were borne by the users. Consequently, the reserve has remained under the trusteeship of the council.

In March 2009 the council prepared a management plan for the reserve. The management plan, in part, recommended that the council relinquishes trusteeship of the balance area of the reserve outside the current mown landing strip. This would result in the ancillary areas being dedicated as national park.

I can advise that I have the authority under the provisions of the *Land Act 1994* to revoke the dedication of a current reserve. However, given the co-operation that has occurred between the former Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (which now falls under your portfolio), Land Services of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (formerly the Department of Environment and Resource Management) and the council regarding the preparation and implementation of the Noosa North Shore Management Plan, I believe such action would not be productive or in the best interest of the community as the landing strip is currently used by various community groups.

Level 17 QMEC Building
61 Mary Street Brisbane Qld 4000
PO Box 15216 City East
Queensland 4002 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3225 1861
Facsimile +61 7 3224 2491
Email nrm@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Published on Resources Disclosure Log RTI Act 2009

I suggest that further discussions occur between the council, the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines with the aim of determining the area of the reserve that is to be dedicated as national park and agency responsibilities for the landing strip. I have requested Mr Doug Courtney, Principal Land Officer, South East Region of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to arrange for these discussions to commence.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, Mr Courtney will be pleased to assist you and can be contacted on telephone 5451 2263.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cripps MP
Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Published on Resources Disclosure Log
RTI Act 2009