

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

Public hearing into proposed replacement fire station on Hamilton Island

The Public Works Committee is conducting a public hearing into the proposed replacement fire station on Hamilton Island, Qld.

Airservices Australia seeks approval to provide a replacement Category 6 Aviation Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) fire station at Hamilton Island Airport to contribute to the increased safety of aviation at Hamilton Island.

The existing ARFF fire station is no longer fit-for-purpose. It was designed as a temporary facility. It consists of a series of stacked shipping containers with a flexible roof structure and a hard stand area for truck accommodation, and has reached the end of its design life. Further, the fire vehicle bays and maintenance bays are open structures that are unable to be secured during storm events and expose the vehicles and equipment to weather. This has led to significant corrosion issues and damage, and increased rates of deterioration.

The proposal will involve the construction of a new ARFF fire station comprising fire vehicles bays, a maintenance facility, a Fire Control centre, and communications, training, storage, vehicle replenishment, and administration and amenities facilities.

The estimated cost of the proposed fit-out is \$13.387 million.

Public Hearing Venue: Yacht Club Ketch Room

Hamilton Island

Date: Monday, 16 February 2015

Time: 10.30am to 11.30am

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Full details on the project are available on the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

NB the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to Airservices Australia.

For further information, including the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.

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