

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee's conclusions and recommendations and the paragraphs in the report in which they occur are set out below:

- 1. The Sydney Ammunition Pipeline has closed. The Navy therefore needs a permanent ammunitioning facility. (Paragraph 16)**
- 2. Defence should investigate security system options that ensure the safety of the storage areas and provide value for money. (Paragraph 74)**
- 3. If the Imlay Road route is chosen as the preferred route to transport ordnance, Defence should not contribute to the cost of the upgrading of the Imlay Road. (Paragraph 78)**
- 4. Twofold Bay is an appropriate location to site the ammunitioning facility due to the natural advantages of a deep bay with a site away from population centres. It also delivers economic benefits to the Navy due to the close proximity to the Fleet base at Sydney Harbour and the Navy exercise area. (Paragraph 88)**
- 5. Navy should strongly consider holding a public meeting in Eden every two years to report to the community on the state of the environment surrounding the facility. This meeting should be advertised widely throughout the community. (Paragraph 102)**
- 6. The environmental study conducted in relation to this project has been extensive. Provided all recommendations set out in Appendix C are implemented, the impact on the environment will be minimal. (Paragraph 114)**
- 7. When moving the expediency motion for the work to proceed, the Minister should provide a guarantee to the House that all recommendations set out in Appendix C will be implemented. (Paragraph 115)**
- 8. The Committee recommends that the proposed Navy ammunitioning facility, Twofold Bay, NSW, proceed at an estimated cost of \$40 million. (Paragraph 163)**

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