



Nation-wide Defence Logistics Transformation Program scrutinised

The Public Works Committee is conducting an inquiry into the proposed Defence Logistics Transformation Program (DLTP).

The Department of Defence (Defence) states that the objective of the DLTP is to consolidate, modernise and enhance wholesale logistics functions to provide optimum support to Defence operations through efficient, effective and safe work practices.

The project will be carried out at various locations around Australia, including Moorebank in NSW, RAAF Base Amberley and Lavarack Barracks in Queensland, Robertson Barracks in the Northern Territory, HMAS Stirling and Palmer Barracks in Western Australia, RAAF Base Edinburgh in South Australia and Wadsworth Barracks in Victoria.

The estimated cost of the project is \$752.7 million, excluding GST. Construction is expected to commence in late 2012 at Moorebank, Wadsworth Barracks and Lavarack Barracks, with other sites to follow throughout 2013. All construction is expected to be complete by mid-2015.

The Committee's Chair, Janelle Saffin MP, said the Committee will conduct a series of inspections and public hearings across various Defence sites proposed for the project in late September 2012.

"This project aims to provide more efficient and effective wholesale logistics functions to support Defence operations. It is a complex, high-cost, five-year project."

"The Committee will scrutinise the DLTP project to ensure that the works at each of the sites meet requirements and offer value for money for the Commonwealth", Ms Saffin said.

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

Submissions to the inquiry close on 31 July 2012.

Details of the public hearing program will be announced soon.

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 the Department of Defence.

For interview: Contact the Chair's media advisor, Lee Duncan on 0448 158 150.

For further information, including how to make a submission, 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.