

Question on notice no. 69

Portfolio question number: SQ22-000438

2022-23 Budget estimates

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development and Communications Portfolio**

Senator Larissa Waters: asked the Airservices Australia on 14 April 2022—

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Answer —

Answer attached.

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Division/Agency Name: Airservices Australia

Hansard Reference: Written (14 April 2022)

Topic: AIRSERVICES - Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Major Development Plan (EIS/MDP) Ministerial conditions for Brisbane Airport New Parallel Runway

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Answer:

Please refer to Committee Question Number 76 from the 2022 - 23 Budget Estimates hearing (SQ22-000445) for Conditions of Approval for the New Parallel Runway Major Development Plan.

The Final Assessment Report is held by the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. Airservices does not hold a copy.

Airservices met its ministerial conditions relating to noise impacts through the finalised airspace design for Brisbane Airport which included endorsement of noise modelling assumptions in the *Brisbane New Parallel Runway Airspace Design: Noise Footprint Comparison to the 2007 Environmental Impact Statement and Major Development Plan (May 2018)*.