

Invitation for Public Comment:

Future Airfields Projects, Melbourne Airport, Tullamarine, Victoria (EPBC 2024/09907)

The following notice is published pursuant to Section 95A (3) of the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd is proposing a series of maintenance and upgrade projects on the airfields over the next 5-10 years. This includes:

- Airfield Renaming - Current taxiway naming system will run out of single-letter identifiers. Renaming required before third runway opens for clear identification.
- Melbourne Airport Pavement Maintenance Project (MAPMP 3.0) - Long-term maintenance for aging airfield pavement (drainage, pavement, apron replacement). New construction hardstands needed north of airfield for reduced travel for construction vehicles, site amenities, offices, staff parking, material and plant storage.
- Runway 09/27 Overlay – Upgrades to airfield ground lighting to meet updated standards
- Hotel Apron South – increased parking standards for growing demands from post-COVID recovery.
- Staff Car Park Extension – staff carpark expansion to accommodate for growing workforce at the airport.

The proposed action is deemed a controlled action under the EPBC Act. The controlling provisions under the EPBC Act are 'Commonwealth land' (Sections 26 and 27A) and 'listed threatened species and communities' (Sections 18 and 18A), specifically the *Natural Temperate Grassland of the Victorian Volcanic Plain* ecological community. No other matters of national environmental significance are likely to be impacted.

Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd is now inviting public comments on the documentation that will be used to assess the proposed action under the EPBC Act. This documentation is on display from Tuesday 2 December 2025 until Monday 15 December 2025, free of charge at the following locations:

- 2 x Hard copies displayed at Broadmeadows Library, 1093 Pascoe Vale Rd, Broadmeadows 3047
- 2 x Hard copies displayed at State Library Victoria, 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne 3000
- Notice appearing in the classified section of Herald Sun.
- Electronic - Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) website:
<https://www.melbourneairport.com.au/community/runway-maintenance-project>

Persons who wish to obtain a hard copy, please contact Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne on (03) 9297 1600 (Monday-Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm) or community@melair.com.au for assistance to request a copy.

Public comments must be submitted in writing by the close of business Monday 15 December to community@melair.com.au or to Gigi Yuen, Head of Environment and Sustainability at Melbourne Airport, Locked Bag 16, Tullamarine, Victoria 3043.

Persons with special needs (e.g. for whom English is a second language or who have a vision impairment) are able to contact Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne on (03) 9297 1600 (Monday-Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm) or community@melair.com.au for assistance in accessing the documentation.