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Sunshine Coast Airport, a business unit of Sunshine Coast Council, is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement for the airport expansion project, including:

- new east-west runway
- new terminal
- apron and associated infrastructure
- new aviation business areas.

Sunshine Coast Airport invites Sunshine Coast Council staff to find out more at:  
**Website: www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au**



Project flyer distributed to SCC's 'field staff'

Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project

**COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER AND SURVEY**

November 2012




### Get on board the Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project

The extended length of the runway - 630 metres longer than the existing runway - will open up new markets and expand the number of destinations accessible from the coast. It will also create 1,000 jobs during its 20-year life span. The runway will be built in two stages. The first stage will be the 475 metres long runway. The second stage will be the 155 metres long runway. The runway will be built in two stages. The first stage will be the 475 metres long runway. The second stage will be the 155 metres long runway.

#### Benefits of the airport expansion project include:

- Additional passenger capacity
- Access to growing markets and international destinations
- Increased freight capacity
- Stimulus to the Sunshine Coast's local and commercial base
- Diversification of the Sunshine Coast's economic and job base
- Provision of around 5,000 new jobs
- Injection of around \$1.6 billion in regional economic benefits
- Improved safety and capacity of the airport to operate in varying weather conditions, which currently affect flight into and out of the coast

#### Complete our survey

While there will be significant opportunities for the community to comment on the expansion project, we need your input to ensure the project meets the needs of the community. We encourage you to sign up now to the airport expansion project database to ensure you receive updates on the project as they become available. Our contact details can be found here.

For more information about the Expansion Project or to register to receive information contact us by email [info@SCAexpansion.com.au](mailto:info@SCAexpansion.com.au) or call **1800 210 755**.

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### SUNSHINE COAST AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT

#### Key dates for Airport Expansion Project

September 2007	Sunshine Coast Airport Master Plan outlines details of the airport expansion project (visit <a href="http://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au">www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au</a> to see the Master Plan)
December 2010	Sunshine Coast Airport submits Initial Advice Statement and Referral for expansion project
February - April 2012	Queensland Coordinator-General, operating under a Stated Agreement with the Australian Government, publishes draft Terms of Reference for public comment
May 2012	Queensland Coordinator-General publishes the Final Terms of Reference for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
May 2012 - March 2013	Sunshine Coast Airport with a team of specialist consultants develops the EIS
June - June 2013	EIS Public Notification period
April - December 2013	Australian and Queensland Governments (decision period)
2014	Construction of the new runway to start (subject to funding and approval)
2015	New runway operational
2016	New terminal operational

Sign up now to the Airport Expansion Project information database

Contact the Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project team:  
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Web: [www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au](http://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au)  
Post: Sunshine Coast Regional Council, Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project, Regal Park 84214, Sunshine Coast MC QLD 4560

#### Smart Tracking to improve operations on the current runway

Sunshine Coast Airport is working to improve services in the future. Smart Tracking is a technology that will allow other airlines to expect to adopt the technology in the future.

For further information contact Jason Rainbird on 5453 1501 or email [jason.rainbird@sunshinecoastairport.gov.au](mailto:jason.rainbird@sunshinecoastairport.gov.au)

### COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER AND SURVEY

#### We would like to hear from you!

Sunshine Coast Airport's EIS is well underway and as part of the study, we are keen to hear from the community. Please complete this Reply Card form and post back by **Friday 14 December 2012**. No stamp is required but please ensure the reply card address is on the outside of the completed survey.

Or go online to the details [www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au](http://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au) and complete the survey by clicking through to the links there.

**YOUR DETAILS (Mandatory fields for survey)**

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: M F  
Age: Under 18 18-25 26-40 41-55 56-65 65+

1. How often do you fly?  
 Every now and then  Monthly  
 At least once a quarter  Weekly  
 A few times a year  Every month  
 More frequently (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Which airport do you most frequently fly from?  
 Sunshine Coast Airport  Other airport \_\_\_\_\_  
 Brisbane Airport

3. Are the majority of your trips for:  
 Business  Working friends and/or relatives  
 Holidays  Not important  
 FTO work  Not sure

4. If you fly from Brisbane Airport, how do you get there?  
 Private car - drive myself  Airport shuttle  
 Private car - hire/taxi/other me  Bus  
 Taxi  Other \_\_\_\_\_

5. If you fly from Brisbane Airport, how much time do you allow to get to the airport for your flight?  
 1.5 hours  2 hours  
 2 hours  3 hours  
 3 hours  4 hours  
 4 hours  Other \_\_\_\_\_

6. If you fly from Sunshine Coast Airport, how do you get there?  
 Private car - drive myself  Airport shuttle  
 Private car - hire/taxi/other me  Bus  
 Taxi  Other \_\_\_\_\_

7. If you fly from Sunshine Coast Airport, how much time do you allow to get to the airport for your flight?  
 15 minutes  2 hours  
 30 minutes  3 hours  
 1 hour  4 hours  
 1.5 hours  Other \_\_\_\_\_

8. If you haven't flown from Sunshine Coast Airport, why not?  
 No flights to my destinations  Neither by from Brisbane  
 Flights does not suit me  No relevant from  
 Flights are costly  Other \_\_\_\_\_

9. How often do you visit Sunshine Coast Airport to farewell / meet and greet friends and family?  
 Infrequently  Every month  
 A few times a year  More frequently (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

10. How important is the Sunshine Coast to the airport?  
 Very important  Not important  
 Important  Not sure

11. Why do you think that?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

12. From your perspective, what are the benefits of expanding Sunshine Coast Airport?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

13. From your perspective, what are some of the issues related to expanding Sunshine Coast Airport that need to be addressed?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Question	Agree	Disagree	Not applicable
I participated in the community consultation for the 2007 Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project			
I have a good idea about what is planned for the Sunshine Coast Airport in the future			
I would like to be involved in engagement activities for the Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Environmental Impact Statement			

If you would like to be kept informed of engagement activities for the Sunshine Coast Airport's Environmental Impact Statement please provide your details below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Community newsletter and survey issued in November 2012

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 1

June 2012

**About the airport expansion project and its benefits**

**BACKGROUND**

During 2012 Sunshine Coast Airport (SCA) will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Airport Expansion Project.

The preparation of the EIS has arisen as a result of work that SCA began in 2007 through its Master Planning process, which identified a need to expand the airport to cater for population growth, growth in regional tourism and business, and community need for improved aviation services to and from the Sunshine Coast.

As the project has the potential to impact on matters of national environmental significance, the Australian Government has requested the preparation of an EIS, which will be assessed before the project is allowed to proceed. Both the Australian and Queensland Governments will be involved in the EIS assessment process.

**COMPONENTS OF THE AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT**

- A new 2,430 metres runway, which will operate in an east-west direction. Runways are orientated on compass bearings. On this basis, the runway direction is also described as 13/31.
- New terminal for passenger and baggage processing, including retail facilities
- Expansion of the existing regular public transport (scheduled jet aircraft) apron
- Expansion of the aviation business precinct
- The supply of fill for the new runway site.

**COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

Benefits accruing to Sunshine Coast Airport and the broader Sunshine Coast community through the Airport Expansion Project include:

- Additional passenger capacity
- Access to growing markets and new domestic and international destinations
- Increased freight capacity
- Stimulus to the Sunshine Coast's tourist and commercial base
- Diversification of the Sunshine Coast's economic and job base
- Provision of around 5,000 new jobs
- Injection of around \$1.6 billion in regional economic benefit between 2015 and 2030
- Improved safety and capacity of the airport to operate in varying weather conditions, which currently impact on flights into and out of the coast
- The potential to reduce existing noise impacts on local communities.

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 2

June 2012

**Terms of Reference for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)**

**BACKGROUND**

In 2007 Sunshine Coast Airport (SCA) prepared a Master Plan addressing the future need to expand the airport, including a new runway. Based on the Master Plan, SCA commenced planning and work on the Master Plan Implementation Project (airport expansion project).

**INITIAL ADVICE STATEMENT**

During 2011 SCA prepared an Initial Advice Statement (IAS) for stages of the airport expansion project including a new east-west runway, new terminal precinct and supporting aviation infrastructure. The IAS is prepared in accordance with requirements of the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1977. The IAS included issues of primary engineering design and environmental assessment. The IAS was lodged with the Queensland Government in late 2010.

**COMMONWEALTH REFERRALS**

As the project has the potential to impact upon matters of national environmental significance, the project has also been referred to the Australian Government under the provisions of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act), resulting in a decision on 7 October 2011 by the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPA) that the project would be a controlled action and subject to an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Subsequently, on 27 October, the Queensland Government's Coordinator-General declared the proposed expansion a Significant Project for which an Environmental Impact Statement is required.

Additionally, the Australian Government has determined that the associated aviation airspace management referred to by CASA and Airservices Australia requires assessment under the EPBC Act. Therefore airspace impacts will be addressed as part of the EIS and assessed accordingly.

**EIS ASSESSMENT**

The assessment of the EIS will be undertaken by the Queensland Government under a bilateral agreement between the State and Australian Governments. The Australian Government will assess sections of the EIS that relate to matters of national environmental significance.

**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE EIS**

The first stage of the EIS process is the development of Terms of Reference (ToR), which are prepared by the Queensland Government in consultation with the Australian Government.

This stage included the exhibition of the Draft ToR by the Queensland Government to community feedback. The public exhibition and community consultation phase was run by the Queensland Government's Office of the Coordinator-General.

The ToR establishes the scope of the EIS, provides guidance on the extent of studies, research and information that they will need to provide to the government and from which a decision will be made on whether the project can proceed.

**TIMING**

The ToR was on public exhibition from Saturday 18 February 2012 to Monday 2 April 2012. The process was run by the Office of the Coordinator-General of the Queensland Government and all submissions made by the public during the exhibition period were directed to that department.

A total of 14 submissions were received from the public and advisory agencies on the draft ToR.

The Office of the Coordinator-General issued the final ToR to Sunshine Coast Council and the airport in May, 2012.

For further information visit: <http://projects.industry.qld.gov.au>

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 3

June 2012

**Commonly Used Aviation Terms**

There are many technical terms and acronyms that are used in relation to the operation and management of an airport. Below is a list of commonly used aviation terms that you may see in materials during the course of the Environmental Impact Statement process for the expansion of Sunshine Coast Airport.

TERM	MEANING
Airservices Australia	Airservices Australia is a government-owned corporation providing safe and environmentally sound air traffic control management and related airside services to the aviation industry.
ATC	Air Traffic Control. ATC directs aircraft on the ground and in the air to ensure safe, orderly and efficient traffic flow.
CASA	Civil Aviation Services Authority. CASA's primary function is to conduct the safety regulation of civil aviation operations in Australia and the operation of Australian overseas services. It is also responsible, among other responsibilities, to provide comprehensive safety education and training programmes.
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPBC Act	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)
Flight Paths / Flight Tracks	The designated route an aircraft takes between destinations
GA	General Aviation. GA is one of the two categories of civil aviation, encompassing all aircraft flights other than scheduled airline activity. It includes both private and commercial flights. It includes everything from privately-owned light single-engine aircraft to business jets, police, emergency medical flights, rotorcraft, gliding, sport ballooning and many other aerial activities.
GPS	Global Positioning System. GPS receivers determine one's position on the surface of the earth through microwave signals from satellites orbiting the earth.
IAS	Initial Advice Statement. Sunshine Coast Airport published its Initial Advice Statement in September 2011. The IAS considered the construction and operation of the proposed new 13/31 runway and associated infrastructure as part of the airport's Master Plan Implementation Project. With the IAS, the airport applied to the Queensland Government for a significant project declaration under the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1977 (SDPWO Act).
ICAO	The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), an agency of the United Nations, develops the principles and techniques of international air navigation and fosters the planning and development of international air transport to ensure safe and orderly growth.
Master Plan	Sunshine Coast Airport's Master Plan sets the direction for the development of the airport from 2007 through to 2020. The long-term strategic development objective for Sunshine Coast Airport is to stimulate and support the growing regional economy of the Sunshine Coast.

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 4

June 2012

**Commonly Asked Questions**

**SUNSHINE COAST AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT QUESTIONS**

As part of planning for Sunshine Coast Airport's (SCA) expansion project an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be completed to understand any economic, environmental and social impacts the EIS is being undertaken during 2012 and is expected to be assessed in 2013.

**Q: WHAT IS AN EIS?**

The Australian Government process is to be undertaken by the Australian and Queensland Governments (with Fact Sheet 2). These comprehensive studies will consider, but are not limited to, construction, operation, flight paths and an emissions, hydrology, ecology, cultural heritage, social and economic benefits associated with the expansion project. The EIS will also propose measures to mitigate and manage any identified issues.

**Q: WHO WILL THE EIS?**

The EIS will be undertaken by the Queensland Government. The EIS for MNE.

**Q: WHY AN EIS?**

In 2011 the Queensland Government declared SCA's expansion plans to be a significant project requiring an EIS under the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1977.

Also in 2011, the Australian Government determined that the project constituted a controlled action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act), due to potential impacts on matters of national environmental significance (MNES).

Additionally, the Australian Government has determined that the associated aviation airspace management referred to by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) and Airservices Australia requires assessment under the EPBC Act. Therefore airspace impacts will be addressed as part of the EIS and assessed accordingly.

**Q: WHEN WILL THE EIS BE CONSTRUCTED?**

The EIS will be undertaken by the Queensland Government. The EIS for MNE.

**Q: WHEN WILL THE EIS BE ASSESSED?**

The EIS will be undertaken by the Queensland Government. The EIS for MNE.

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 5

June 2012

**Stakeholder engagement for the airport expansion project**

**INTRODUCTION**

As part of planning for Sunshine Coast Airport's (SCA) expansion project, an Environment Impact Statement (EIS) will be undertaken during 2012 and is expected to be assessed in 2013.

**ABOUT STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

Stakeholder engagement has been central to Sunshine Coast Airport and Sunshine Coast Airport's expansion project, including a new east-west runway. Outlined below are the various ways that SCA has engaged with stakeholders to ensure that the project is undertaken during 2012 and is expected to be assessed in 2013.

YEAR	ACTION	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT
2007	SCA developed a 20-year Master Plan for the airport, assessing expected growth in passenger numbers and what this would mean for the development of infrastructure at the airport to cater for growing demand. As a result, the Master Plan included details and preliminary indicative plans for the proposed future airport expansion, including a new runway.	The 2007 Master Plan was a during which the community Master Plan and its proposed Engagement tools included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public displays</li> <li>Newspaper advertising</li> <li>Media releases</li> <li>Individual and group briefs</li> <li>Web-based information</li> <li>In response to submissions made to the Master Plan to the Queensland Government</li> </ul>
Late 2010	To progress the project as outlined in the 2007 Master Plan, SCA commenced work on an Initial Advice Statement (IAS) and Referrals. The IAS was prepared in accordance with the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1977 and was used to advise the Queensland Government about the project proposal, including preliminary details and design, so that it could determine if the project was to be considered a Significant Project under the Act. The referrals were also lodged with the Queensland Government under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 one referral addressed Matters of National Environmental Significance and the other addressed Airspace.	The IAS was issued to the Queensland Government in late 2010 and the Queensland Government's Office of the Coordinator-General declared the proposed expansion a Significant Project for which an Environmental Impact Statement is required.

**Top team assembled for airport expansion project**

Sunshine Coast Airport (SCA) has assembled more than 15 highly qualified and expert on-studies and investigators required for the proposed airport expansion project. Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is now underway with the document expected to be available for public comment and assessment in 2012.

**Leading the consultant teams and participating as members of the expansion project team are:**

- THE LONG VIEW GROUP**  
The Long View Group specialises in delivering environmental project management, sustainability and climate change services. For the airport expansion project, a Principal of the company is working for the airport acting as Assistant Project Manager, responsible for the airport's Project Manager in coordinating the delivery of the EIS. With a background in similar aviation projects, The Long View Group is well equipped to provide expert assistance to the SCA team.  
[www.thelongviewgroup.com.au](http://www.thelongviewgroup.com.au)
- ARUP**  
ARUP, with extensive experience in providing services to SCA's social impact issues. Arup is also the lead scheduling and cost drafting and complete Government issued.  
[www.arup.com.au](http://www.arup.com.au)
- BWH COMM**  
BWH Communicate Communication firm, engagement concept up to and during the project.  
[www.bwh.com.au](http://www.bwh.com.au)
- ACEOM**  
Aceom is a global infrastructure services firm that has been appointed as a lead consultant responsible for the airport expansion design, including aerodrome engineering, construction methodology and signage. Aceom has provided similar engineering advice to a number of airports around the world.  
[www.aceom.com](http://www.aceom.com)
- BMT WBM**  
BMT WBM is one of Australia's largest and most experienced environmental consultants. With over 30 years experience this consultancy will be responsible for studies relating to coastal processes, marine ecology, surface water and climate change.  
[www.bmtwbm.com.au](http://www.bmtwbm.com.au)
- CONVERGE**  
Converge is the largest environmental and social impact assessment firm in Australia and the largest in Queensland. Converge is the largest in Queensland and the largest in Queensland. Converge is the largest in Queensland and the largest in Queensland.  
[www.convergeqld.com](http://www.convergeqld.com)

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## Sunshine Coast AIRPORT airport expansion project FACT SHEET 6

November 2013

**Queensland Government provides boost for expansion project**

**BACKGROUND**

In October 2013 the Queensland Government announced it would transfer ownership to Sunshine Coast Council of three parcels of land located within the Sunshine Coast Airport boundaries to assist in bringing the airport expansion project to fruition.

**ABOUT THE LAND PARCELS**

The largest parcel of land - Lot 6992P214349 - is already used for aviation purposes and includes the existing airport terminal building, the main runway operated by the airport and the existing cross-runway, also operated in 1961.

The second parcel of land - Lot 1010G0395 - lies to the north of the existing main runway and is used as an aircraft underfoot area. It has been, and continues to be, managed for aerodrome purposes by the airport for a number of years.

The third parcel of land - Lot 7810C0391 - is located to the north-west of the proposed new runway and comprises some remnant vegetation. This area is likely to be the subject of revegetation as part of the new runway project.

**BENEFITS OF THE LAND TRANSFER**

The primary benefit of the land transfer is the effect as an enabler for land to seek investment capital to fund the construction of the new runway.

It represents a major contribution to council's efforts to have the new runway completed at Sunshine Coast Airport by 2020.

It also simplifies the leasing process, which is expected to encourage further jobs growth in the regionally important aviation sector.

**EIS PUBLIC COMMENT PHASE**

The EIS is expected to be released for public comment in the first quarter of 2014.

It will be exhibited for 30 business days, during which time everyone in the community will be invited to review the information and make formal submissions to the Office of the Coordinator-General.

Further information about how to access a copy of the EIS will be advertised when the public comment phase commences.

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Examples of fact sheets available on the SCA website

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### Sunshine Coast Airport Community Survey

Why not be part of the Social Impact Assessment for the Airport Expansion Project's Environmental Impact Statement and fill out our **Community Survey**?

Visit **[www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au](http://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au)** and click on the Community Survey button.

And while you're there, read our newsletter and sign up to receive ongoing information.

It's a simple way to be part of one of the Sunshine Coast's most important projects.

**Survey closes  
Friday 14 December 2012.**

For further information:  
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Online and print advertising were used to promote the community survey during November and December 2012



#### CONTACT CARD AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT

COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR CONTACT MONDAY TO FRIDAY  
9AM TO 5PM (EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS)

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### FREE CALL: 1800 210 755

Postal Address: Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project  
Reply Paid, Locked Bag 72, Sunshine Coast Mail Centre Qld 4560  
Facsimile: 07 5453 1511 Email: [info@SCAexpansion.com.au](mailto:info@SCAexpansion.com.au)  
Website: [www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au](http://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au)

3,600 contact cards were printed and distributed during the EIS development

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Expansion Project website pages explained the history and technical information about the Project



## Airport Expansion Project

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is underway for this major project.

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To find out more or register for updates  
 call **1800 210 755**  
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The Airport Expansion Project will:

- Create jobs
- Stimulate the local economy
- Improve airport services
- Reduce disruptions
- Provide access to more local and overseas destinations

'Major Airport of the Year 2011'






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Pull up banners were used at the airport and at SCA and SCC events to promote EIS Community Liaison Officers' contact details

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## Media Releases

### State Government boost for Sunshine Coast Airport

16 Oct 13

The State Government has today announced legislation enabling the handover of state land upon which Sunshine Coast Airport stands, to Sunshine Coast Council.

Deputy Premier Jeff Seeney has unveiled the Queensland Government Airport Directions Statement, which outlines the future for airports throughout the state, and which will enable Sunshine Coast Airport to more easily attract investment.

Mayor Mark Jamieson has welcomed the news.

"This announcement acts as an enabler for council to seek financial investment capital to fund the construction of the new runway, and backs up what is already designated a State Significant Project," he said.

"It represents a major contribution to our efforts to have the new runway operating at Sunshine Coast Airport by 2020, simplifying the land tenure arrangements at the Airport."

Council will now also be able to execute leases to tenants which will encourage further jobs growth in the important high-quality aviation sector, Mayor Jamieson said.

"Aviation and aerospace is one of the seven high-value industries council has identified in the Economic Development Strategy 2013-2033," he said.

"I would like to thank the State Government for taking this step to assist Sunshine Coast Airport's future development."

Benefits flowing from the new runway include:

- Additional passenger capacity
- Access to growing markets and new domestic and international destinations
- Increased freight capacity
- Stimulus to the Sunshine Coast's tourist and commercial base
- Diversification of the Sunshine Coast's economic and jobs base
- Provision of around 5,000 new jobs
- Injection of around \$1.6 billion in regional economic benefit between 2015 and 2050
- Improved safety and capacity of the airport to operate in varying weather conditions

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SCA and SCC provided media comment on the Project throughout the EIS development

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## Media Release

4 June 2012

### Get involved in the airport expansion project

Sunshine Coast Airport today announced that a comprehensive stakeholder and community engagement program around its expansion project, including a new runway, had started.

The announcement follows the receipt of Terms of Reference for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which were finalised by the Queensland Coordinator-General and released to Sunshine Coast Council on 18 May 2012.

Sunshine Coast Mayor, Mark Jamieson, said getting the community involved was another important step for the airport expansion, which would create thousands of jobs and strengthen the economy for decades to come.

"Of course, these benefits are subject to approval of the EIS, and funding – this is why council will continue to work hard to get financial backing for the project," Mayor Jamieson said.

Sunshine Coast Airport general manager, Peter Pallot said the EIS was expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2013 after which it would be exhibited for formal public comment and then lodged with the Queensland and Australian Governments for assessment.

"Ahead of the formal comment period, though, we would like to reach as many people as possible to tell them about the project and to answer any questions they may have."

Mr Pallot said the airport had established a range of mechanisms through which the community could become involved in the project.

"We have launched a freecall project information phone line and a project-specific email address and we encourage people to make contact with us if they have any queries about the proposed project.

"In addition, we will be placing information about the project on the airport's website, which can also be accessed via the council website," Mr Pallot said.

He said the airport had established a project database and people interested in knowing more about the proposed expansion could register via the airport's website.

"Throughout the preparation of the EIS keeping the community up to date on the project will be our top priority," Mr Pallot said.

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*Example of media releases issued about the Project*