Good Afternoon,

Gladstone Regional Council (GRC) would like to thank you for the opportunity to review and consider the proposed implementation of the National Airports Safeguarding Framework (NASF) across national land use planning jurisdictions.

It is noted that Queensland currently regulates Strategic Airports and Aviation Facilities within the State Planning Policy (SPP) and Local Government Planning Instruments. In addition to the recommendation of incorporating the new guidelines into the QLD SPP to reflect the NASF, GRC would like to offer the following feedback on the key focus areas:

The level of awareness, consideration and use of the NASF principles and Guidelines A to I by relevant government agencies, public and private airport operators.

From discussions within the land use planning sections of QLD Local Government and regular external stakeholders (consultants), the level of awareness of the NASF principles and guidelines is very low. As the NASF principles and guidelines are not referenced within the current Regulation or Policies, it can be assumed that it is not an instrument most planning professionals are aware of.

The level of industry and community stakeholder awareness and familiarity with the NASF framework and guidelines.

To increase awareness and understanding of how the framework and guidelines will be implemented within the SPP, it is encouraged that relevant experts coordinate information sessions with the QLD DSDMIP – SARA branches. The SARA branches have extensive contacts for QLD based land use planning professionals within their associated regions, and they can ensure all relevant stakeholders have access to any up-coming information sessions.

GRC looks forward to any upcoming information sessions regarding the NASF and if you require any further clarification on the comments above or further feedback, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Development Services.

Thank-you

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