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From:

Thursday, 10 May 2012 4:16 PM

Sent: To:

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Cc: Subject:

FW: NSFC community engagement [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance:

High

Richard

Information requested for your phone call to Phone Section 47F

Background Information

- has also been in contact with TFNSW. TfNSW offered to meet with him, which he
 declined. However he has met with TfNSW through previous Civic Trust Meetings at Cheltenham and
 Beecroft.
- TfNSW are meeting tonight with Pennant Hills District Civic Trust. is a resident of the Beecroft/Cheltenham area which is impacted by the ETTT project, and it is anticipated that he will attend the meeting. The Minister has received correspondence from Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust and the Pennant Hills District Civic Trust on 30 April 2012 regarding noise, dust and vibration issues relating to the ETTT. The Minister replied on 9 May 2012 with information pertaining to the community engagement sessions that were held and feedback that would be welcomed.
- Megan Bridge from TCA is the Senior Manager Public Affairs and is responsible for the public consultation processes associated with the NSFC. Her details are Section 47F

Community Consultations:

- The Epping to Thornleigh Third Track project is considered a State Significant Infrastructure (SSI)
 project by the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure and as such an SSI application was
 submitted in January 2012.
- A strategy plan is with the Office of Environment and Heritage and other relevant authorities with respect to environmental compliance for this project and an Environmental Impact Statement is being undertaken.
- Community consultations have been undertaken by the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure to enable people to learn more about the project and the environmental impact assessment process, speak to the project team and provide feedback.
- Further community information sessions will be held to support the exhibition of the Environmental Impact Statement.

The email below from Megan Bridge outlines the environmental assessment processes and community engagement proposed in relation to the NSFC projects.

David

Section 47F

From: Megan Bridge [mailto:Megan.Bridge@projects.transport.nsw.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 10 May 2012 4:03 PM

To:

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Dear Jessica,

As discussed, Transport for NSW is delivering three of the four projects that make up the Northern Sydney Freight Corridor (NSFC) Program. A summary of the past/future community engagement opportunities are summarised below under each project.

1. Epping to Thornleigh Third Track project

This project is being determined under Part 5.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. As discussed, this planning approval process is a lot more complex than the process in which the two projects below are being determined and requires approval from the Minister for Planning.

Initial community information sessions for this project were held on **Monday 23 April and Saturday 28 April 2012**. The purpose of these sessions was to provide the community with an overview of the project and to get an understanding of some of the issues that existed within the community. We were not obligated by legislation to hold these sessions however we chose to host them so we could provide information to a community that was already showing a lot of interest in the project. The community was also given the opportunity to complete an informal submission. We received approximately 100 informal submissions which will assist us in responding to specific issues (i.e. noise) that will be detailed in the Environmental Impact Statement we are preparing. The Environmental Impact Statement is being prepared for exhibition later this year. Four information sessions will be held later in the year (September/October) to coincide with the public exhibition. In recent months Transport for NSW has been asked to speak to a number of community groups/Council. On 26 March we briefed the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust and on 3 April we briefed local councillors (from Hornsby Shire Council). This evening we are briefing the Pennant Hills Civic Trust who have similar interests/concerns to members of the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust.

2. North Strathfield Rail Underpass

This project is being determined under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 which requires us to prepare a Review of Environmental Factors. Transport for NSW has the powers to self determine this project. No community information sessions have been held to date. However, we anticipate that the planning approval documents (Review of Environmental Factors) will be completed in the coming month/s. At this stage we anticipate two community information sessions will be held in June 2012 to coincide with the public exhibition.

3. Gosford Passing Loops

This project is being determined under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 which requires us to prepare a Review of Environmental Factors. Transport for NSW has the powers to self determine this project. No community information sessions have been held to date. However, we anticipate that the planning approval documents (Review of Environmental Factors) will be completed in the coming month/s. At this stage we anticipate two community information sessions will be held in June 2012 to coincide with the public exhibition.

Upon planning approval, detailed design for each of the projects will commence. The detailed design phase will assist us in developing a number of key documents which will require further community consultation. One of these documents, the Operational Noise and Vibration Review, will detail recommended noise/vibration mitigation measures and will be subject to further community consultation.

Transport for NSW will also continue to engage with the community from the planning phase through to the final delivery of the project.

Feel free to give me a call if you need anymore information. Kind regards, Megan Bridge Senior Manager Public Affairs | Transport Construction Authority Transport for NSW Section 47F Add our trip planner to your website... find out how at www.131500.com.au This email is intended only for the addressee and may contain confidential information. If you receive this email in error please delete it and any attachments and notify the sender immediately by reply email. Transport for NSW takes all care to ensure that attachments are free from viruses or other defects. Transport for NSW assume no liability for any loss, damage or other consequences which may arise from opening or using an attachment. Consider the environment. Please don't print this e-mail unless really necessary. From: Sent: Thursday, 10 May 2012 2:34 PM To: Megan Bridge Subject: NSFC community engagement [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] Importance: High Hi Megan, gave me your details in reference to finding out some information on community engagement for each has spoken to my department seeking government intervention into these projects

of the 4 NSFC projects.

Please be advised that a (we do not know from where exactly) and is proposing to launch a class action under common law for nuisance. We've also been told that he has been in contact with TfNSW. As such please be aware of this. I've been told that the General Manager will be speaking to him this afternoon.

With regard to the community engagement I would like to know the dates (past and future) of community engagement sessions for all the projects as well as other opportunities the community will have.

If you could let me know any and all details ASAP it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance.

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