



The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP

**Deputy Prime Minister
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Mr Jason Harfield
Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Mr Harfield

Thank you for your letter of 31 March 2022 regarding the interim report from Trax International (Trax) identifying potential improvement opportunities for Brisbane airspace operations, and details on Airservices Australia's (Airservices) implementation approach. I note that you intend to publish the interim report on the Engage Airservices website imminently.

I welcome your engagement of Trax to provide independent assurance of the Brisbane Airport Flight Path Changes Post Implementation Review (PIR) and the progress that Trax has made in identifying potential opportunities to improve noise outcomes for the Brisbane community.

I acknowledge your advice that Airservices is committed to considering all 49 potential improvement opportunities identified by Trax and the indicative timeframes for consideration as outlined in the implementation approach.

I also note that Airservices will be consulting closely with Brisbane Airport Corporation, regulatory agencies, the aviation industry and the community in considering all of the improvement opportunities, including seeking to progress the nine opportunities identified as immediate measures as soon as possible.

As part of your consultation, I request that you provide quarterly updates on Airservices' implementation approach to the Brisbane Airport Post Implementation Review Advisory Forum (the Forum) that I established to work alongside Airservices through the PIR. I thank you for Airservices' regular engagement with the Forum since it was established and expect this high level of engagement will continue as the Trax opportunities are reviewed through the implementation approach.

I look forward to the expedited implementation of the more immediate opportunities and the outcomes of the full PIR process to be finalised in the third quarter of 2022. Further, I would appreciate your earliest advice on the timeframes for the implementation of the longer term opportunities that are determined through further investigation to be safe, operationally feasible and beneficial to the community.

Thank you again for updating me on this important issue.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Barnaby Joyce', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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