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Runway Overlay Project Factsheet

1. What should this project be referred to?

The project should be referred to as the Runway Overlay Project.

2. What does the project actually entail?

The Runway Overlay Project involves an asphalt overlay to the runway surface and improvement to the existing pavement where required. In addition to this work, the taxiway lighting system will also undergo a significant upgrade.

3. Why is the work necessary?

The runway pavement surface is now over 25 years old in places and is approaching the end of its designed life. The runway now needs to be upgraded and maintained in order to give it an additional life cycle.

4. Why is the work being done at this time?

Asphalt requires reasonable weather conditions for installation. The major works are being done at this time due to expected favourable weather conditions and to minimise passenger airline operational impact.

5. When will the project commence?

The project has commenced and will have peaks and troughs in visible activities. The main runway works will be visible commencing 27 October 2013.

6. What is the expected completion date?

The expected completion date for the Runway Overlay Project is mid-November 2013, subject to favourable weather conditions. The new taxiway lighting system will be installed and commissioned by early December 2013.

7. What does the project mean to local residents?

Local residents should not be impacted other than an increase in construction traffic. The traffic is associated with product from Teven quarry being transported to site and additional staff associated with performing the works.

8. Will there be more traffic accessing Ballina Byron Gateway Airport as a result of the project?

The majority of the traffic to the site will be via Southern Cross Drive.

9. What does the project mean for aircraft operations?

During the period of the main works scheduled from 27 October 2013 to 15 November 2013, Ballina Byron Gateway Airport's runway will be closed from 18:00 to 05:30 each night. Aircraft will not be able to land or take off during this timeframe with the exception of Emergency Services.

10. What difference will the airport user see at Ballina Byron Gateway Airport?

Airport users will see an increase in maintenance activities on the airfield both day and night throughout the project.

11. Will airport users be inconvenienced in any way by the works?

There should not be an impact to airport users throughout the project as airline schedules are catering for the project. In the event of a flight delay airlines will manage their schedules accordingly in order to meet the airport requirements.

12. Who is completing the works?

The works are being managed by Ballina Byron Gateway Airport and Aurecon with construction work by Fulton Hogan and Australian Airport Lighting.

13. How many staff will be working on the project?

As the project has numerous stages, various trades will be required. It is projected that at the peak of the works, there will be some 50 people on site.

14. Will flight paths at Ballina Byron Gateway Airport be impacted?

There will be no impact to flight paths throughout the period of the runway works.

15. Will there be any restriction on runway use at Ballina Byron Gateway Airport?

During the period of the main works scheduled from 27 October 2013 to 15 November 2013, Ballina Byron Gateway Airport's runway will be closed to normal operations from 18:00 to 05:30 each night. In the event that works are cancelled for a night, the runway will remain open.

16. What will happen to aircraft wanting to land at Ballina Byron Gateway Airport out of these hours?

All aircraft operators have been provided with a notice of the works well in advance through a regulated system. There should not be any aircraft wanting to land at Ballina Byron Gateway Airport out of hours. In the event on an unforeseen emergency, a landing would be accommodated.

17. Who do I contact for more information about the Runway Overlay Project?

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