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Dear Mr Terhost

FOI 23-14 - Decision on Access

I refer to the request made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (**FOI Act**) to Airservices Australia (**Airservices**) on 23 May 2023 (**the request**). It seeks access to:

(a) Factors that influenced Airservices Australia's decision to discount the concerns of Primrose Sands/Carlton River/Forcett residents

(b) The internal justification for moving a flight path that passed over less densely populated regions at a higher altitude (greater than 4000') to one that passed over a more densely populated region at a much lower altitude (around 2000') knowing (i) the Runway 30 NRP-AR flightpath would concentrate the number of jet aircraft flying over Primrose Sands/Carlton River/Forcett, and (ii) that aircraft movements at Hobart Airport were projected to increase significantly.

I am authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act and the Airservices Instrument of Delegation and Authorisation to make decisions on primary requests under the FOI Act.

Decision

I have identified four documents subject to this request that broadly set out the reasons and background as to why the flight plan was changed and also grant insight as to the alternate flight paths considered. I have decided to grant access to the 4 documents in full.

These documents are set out in the schedule of documents at **Attachment A (the Schedule)**.

Contact

If you wish to discuss my decision please contact me at foi@airservicesaustralia.com.

Yours sincerely

Alan Hilvert-Bruce
Authorised FOI Decision Maker

22 June 2023

SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS

Doc No.	Description	Decision
1.	<i>Factsheet</i> Hobart Airport Changes to arrival and departure flight paths	<i>Release in full</i>
2.	<i>Review Report</i> Hobart Runway 30 Star	<i>Release in full</i>
3.	<i>Environmental Assessment</i> Environmental Assessment of Proposed Changes to SIDs and STARs at Hobart Airport	<i>Release in full</i>
4.	<i>Report</i> Hobart Airspace Design Review	<i>Release in full</i>