



The Supplementary Statement, together with the draft Greater Geelong Planning Scheme amendment (PSA), are now available for public comment.

How to make a submission

Submissions on the Supplementary Statement and draft PSA C442ggee must be made in writing and be received by **11:59pm on Thursday, 24 October 2024**.

Each submission is a public document and will be treated as a submission on the Supplementary Statement and on the other exhibited documents. Only one submission is needed to address all of your views about the project, its effects and the relevant documents.

The EES process is an accredited assessment process under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) through a Bilateral Assessment Agreement that exists between the Commonwealth and State of Victoria. Therefore, this Supplementary EES, also considers MNES for the purposes of assessment of the controlled action under the EPBC Act.

You can make a submission on the matters assessed for the purposes of the relevant provisions under the EPBC Act by making a submission on the Supplementary Statement.

All submissions must state the name and address of the person making the submission. Petitions will be treated as a single submission and only the first names from a petition submission will be registered and contacted. Pro-forma submitters

will be registered and contacted individually if they provide their contact details. However, pro-forma submitters who want to be heard at the hearing may be encouraged to present as a group, given their submissions raise the same issues.

Submissions will be treated as public documents and will be published on the Engage Victoria website. This means that your submission and your name will be made public. Submitters are recommended not to include personal information in the body of the submission (such as email addresses, phone numbers or photos of people, particularly children).

Online submissions are preferred and can be lodged via the Victorian government's engagement website Engage Victoria <https://engage.vic.gov.au/Viva-Supplementary-EES-IAC>

Where a submitter is unable to lodge a submission online, they must contact Planning Panels Victoria (PPV) through the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) Customer Call Centre on **136 186 (select option 6)** and request a hard copy submission coversheet. Each hard copy submission must be accompanied by a coversheet issued by PPV for privacy reasons.



Who reads your submission?

The submission process is independently managed by PPV and any inquiries regarding the management of submissions, and the Inquiry and Advisory Committee and Hearing process should be directed to PPV.

The Minister for Planning will appoint an independent Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) under the *Environment Effects Act 1978* and the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to conduct a public hearing commencing in the week beginning Monday, 9 December 2024. The Hearing is expected to run for three weeks. If the Hearing cannot be concluded prior to Christmas it will continue from mid-January 2025

The IAC scope is limited to considering and advising on:

- The Relevant Environmental Effects identified in the Supplementary Statement
- The updates to the PSA.

Submissions should be confined to those matters. It is not the IAC's role to revisit matters outside the Supplementary Statement or the updates to the draft PSA.

The IAC will review all the submissions, the Supplementary Statement and updates to the draft PSA. The scope of the IAC is guided by Terms of Reference issued by the Minister for Planning.

After the exhibition period, the IAC will hold a Directions Hearing, in the week commencing 11 November 2024 to consider the arrangements and timetable for the public hearing.

Further information about the Directions Hearing arrangements will be published on <https://engage.vic.gov.au/Viva-Supplementary-EES-IAC> when determined.

Members of the public and any other parties seeking to be heard at the public hearing are required to submit a written submission and indicate on the online submission form or hard copy submission coversheet that they would like to be heard at the hearing.

Information on the hearing process and timetable will be published as it becomes available at <https://engage.vic.gov.au/Viva-Supplementary-EES-IAC>

Questions

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EES process

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Making a submission or the Inquiry and Advisory Committee process

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