

State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee

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To: State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee
Subject: Submission re Spit Masterplan -Wildlife Q'ld GC & H

Committee Secretary,
State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development

Dear Secretary,

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission re this important Government initiative to provide and enable the secure and sustainable future management of the extensive area known as the Spit.

Wildlife Queensland, Gold Coast and Hinterland Branch, is the City's Branch of the State Organization, and has served the cause of conservation in the local region for for over half a century,.

Our Organization fully endorses Gold Coast peak body Gecko Environment Council's comprehensive submission.

Our Organization particularly emphasizes its very real concern that the Masterplan, with its observably wide ranging, model consultation and its resultant legislative efforts to preserve and enhance the character, integrity, preservation and facility of this unique site, will be negated, should the site be overburdened with a superfluous and, in terms of the nature of the site, untenable cruise ship terminal.*

Further we do endorse concerns re the impact on the amenity via of the increasing helicopter flights presence. Migratory birds are already at risk via intrusion.

In addition we are concerned re the loss of smaller boating usage and parkland, if these assets are partially and significantly lost by the presence of super yachts.

Note -in terms of a State of the Art Terminal in nearby Brisbane and untenable in terms of their being no natural harbour, danger re the Oceanside concept, loss of natural open space to infrastructure, increased short term landing and passenger negating other community and tourist usage etc.

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