



Public hearing into proposed CSIRO ACT Facilities Consolidation Project

The Public Works Committee is conducting a public hearing into the proposed CSIRO ACT Facilities Consolidation Project.

The CSIRO proposes a rationalisation and consolidation of its Canberra property portfolio by building two new science research and support facilities at its Black Mountain campus and refurbishing four existing buildings, as well as upgrading associated support infrastructure.

The new buildings will accommodate staff and functions that currently occupy buildings which do not meet current standards for health and safety, present operational risk and have high maintenance costs. The unsuitable buildings will be demolished.

CSIRO's ACT Property Portfolio accommodates 1,669 staff across six sites which house laboratories, technical support facilities, glasshouses and commercial office space. The Facilities Consolidation Project proposes to relocate staff from leased premises in Campbell, Yarralumla, and Acton to CSIRO's owned site at Black Mountain.

Works will be undertaken in two phases, with Phase 1 completed by 2017 and Phase 2 by 2021. The estimated cost of the project is \$195.6 million.

Hearing Venue: Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra
Date: Friday, 28 February 2014
Time: 10.00 am to 11.00 am

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Full details on the project are available on the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

NB the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to Defence Housing Australia.

For interview: Contact the Chair's office on (07) 5580 9111.

For further information, including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.