

Question on notice no. 66

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**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development and Communications Portfolio**

Senator Larissa Waters: asked the Airservices Australia on 14 April 2022—

Why is Airservices spending money on a lengthy review that only prolongs people's suffering rather than implementing the missing noise abatement procedures that have been suggested to Airservices since July 2020 by the community, airlines and air traffic controllers?

Answer —

Answer attached.

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Division/Agency Name: Airservices Australia

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Topic: AIRSERVICES – Brisbane Airport Flight Path Changes Post Implementation Review

Senator Larissa Waters asked:

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Answer:

Post Implementation Reviews (PIRs) of flight paths and airspace are considered best practice and inform future change considerations and decision-making, and identify potential opportunities to improve noise outcomes or operational efficiency.

Airservices is currently undertaking work on Noise Abatement Procedures requiring aircraft to remain on the standard instrument departure path until they reach 10,000 feet and will explore further opportunities through the PIR.