



Permit E2020-0178 Compliance Report

*Permit to upgrade the Runway Visual Range at Melbourne
Airport, Victoria*

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6 August 2020 – 1 February 2021

DECLARATION OF ACCURACY

In making this declaration, I am aware that sections 490 and 491 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) make it an offence in certain circumstances to knowingly provide false or misleading information or documents. The offence is punishable on conviction by imprisonment or a fine, or both. I declare that all the information and documentation supporting this compliance report is true and correct in every particular. I am authorised to bind the approval holder to this declaration and that I have no knowledge of that authorisation being revoked at the time of making this declaration.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment issued approval for the Runway Visual Range upgrade project at Melbourne Airport on 6 August 2020. Summary details of the approved actions are included in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Details of approved action

Person to whom the permit is granted	Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Limited Airport Management, Level 2, T2 Departure Drive, Melbourne Airport, Tullamarine, VIC 3043 ABN: 62 076 999 114
Approved action	To upgrade the existing runway visual range equipment at Melbourne Airport, Victoria as outlined in permit application E2020-0178.
Permit/EPBC Number	E2020-0178
Date of Approval	6 August 2020

1.2 Purpose of this report

This compliance report outlines the state of compliance with each approval condition during the project. The reporting period is from 6 August 2020 (date of permit approval) – 1 February 2021 (completion of the project).

1.3 New Environmental Risks

No new environmental risks were identified during the completion of the project.

2 COMPLIANCE WITH APPROVAL

Statements regarding compliance with each permit condition are detailed in Table 2.

Table 2: Compliance with conditions of the permit

Condition No.	Condition	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Comments
1	To manage the impacts of the action on the NTGVVP, in taking the action, the permit holder must not kill more than 0.148 hectares of NTGVVP within the project area.	Compliant	The project has been completed and the total area of NTGVVP removed during the action is 0.09214 hectares (see Section 3 for mapping).
2	To manage the impacts of the action on the GBW, in taking the action, the permit holder must not kill more than 0.069 hectares of GBW within the project area.	Compliant	The project has been completed and the total area of GBW removed during the action is 0.045 hectares (see Section 3 for mapping).
3	The permit holder must carry out the action as per the methods described in the permit application submitted to the Department on 10 July 2020.	Compliant	<p>The project was completed per the methods described in the permit application. Controls implemented to minimise impacts on NTGVVP and GBW include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Construction of the realigned access track first. The access track was then used for access to each site thereby avoiding vehicle movements through surrounding areas of native vegetation. - Slightly moving the location of the RVR infrastructure at the Western 09-27 site to the north, resulting in less disturbance to GBW. - Installation of No Go Zone fencing and bollards to ensure that NTGVVP, GBW and all other native vegetation located outside the impact area was protected from impacts during construction. - Implementation of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) which included controls relating to weed and pathogen management, and native grass protection.

Condition No.	Condition	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Comments
4	The permit holder may give another person written authority to take, for or on behalf of the holder, any activity authorised by the permit. When an authority is given to another person, the condition requirements also apply. The giving of an authority to another person does not prevent the permit holder from undertaking the authorised activity. The permit holder who gives an authority to another person must inform the Department in writing within ten (10) business days after giving the authority. The permit holder may only give an authority to another person who has sufficient experience and competence in the activities of this permit.	Compliant	Noted. Melbourne Airport maintained operational control of all activities authorised by this permit. Internal monitoring procedures allow for tracking, auditing and verification of activities to ensure the permit conditions were met.
5	The permit holder must inform the Department in writing within seven (7) days if, whilst the action that is authorised by this permit is being carried out, any EPBC Act listed threatened, migratory or marine species, other than that specified in this permit and identified in the permit application, is found to be impacted by the action. In the event that this occurs, the action must cease immediately and must not recommence unless authorised in writing by the Department.	Compliant	No EPBC Act listed threatened, migratory or marine species, other than that specified in this permit and identified in the permit application, were impacted by the project.
6	The permit holder must hold and comply with any permit required and granted under State, Territory, or other Commonwealth legislation in relation to specimens affected within any area to which that legislation applies.	Compliant	Noted.
7	Within thirty (30) business days after the completion of the action, the permit holder must notify the Department in writing and provide completion data.	Compliant	This compliance report and supporting shapefile address this condition. The action was considered complete once the Certificate of Compliance was provided by the Airport Building Controller on 1 February 2021. This certificate is confirmation that all environmental requirements for the project (as well as other requirements) have been met.
8	<p>The permit holder must prepare a compliance report prior to the completion of the action, or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the Minister. The permit holder must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. publish the compliance report on their website within thirty (30) business days after the completion of the action; b. notify the Department by email that a compliance report has been published on their website within five (5) business days of the date of publication; 	Compliant	This compliance report addresses this condition.

Condition No.	Condition	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Comments
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from the compliance report published on the website; and d. where any sensitive ecological data has been excluded from the version published, submit the full compliance report to the Department within five (5) business days of publication. 		
9	<p>The permit holder must notify the Department in writing of any: incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in the permit application. The notification must be given as soon as practicable, and no later than two (2) business days after becoming aware of the incident or non-compliance. The notification must specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the condition which is or may be in breach; and b. a short description of the incident and/or non-compliance. 	Compliant	No incidents or non-compliances were identified during the project.
10	<p>The permit holder must provide to the Department the details of any incident or non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in the permit application as soon as practicable and no later than ten (10) business days after becoming aware of the incident or non-compliance, specifying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. any corrective action or investigation which the permit holder has already taken or intends to take in the immediate future; b. the potential or actual impacts of the incident or non-compliance; and c. the method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the permit holder. 	Compliant	No incidents or non-compliances were identified during the project.

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Conditions 1 and 2

Figures 1-4 outline the locations where 0.09214 hectares of NTGVVP and 0.045 hectares of GBW were removed during the project. Figures 5-6 confirm no NTGVVP or GBW were removed at the remaining two RVR sites.

Figure 1: Western 09-27 RVR Site



Figure 2: Mid 09-27 RVR Site



Figure 3: Eastern 09-27 Site



Figure 4: Northern 16-34 Site



Figure 5: Mid 16-34 RVR Site



Figure 6: Southern 16-34 RVR Site

