



### Action Required to Revitalise Badgery's Creek Option

The release today of the Wilton Technical Study reinforces why Badgery's Creek needs to be the site of Sydney's second Sydney airport, according to the Australian Logistics Council, the peak industry body for Australia's logistics industry.

"The Australian Logistics Council believes the go-ahead for the planning of a second airport at Badgery's Creek needs to be given now," said Michael Kilgariff, ALC Managing Director.

"The Wilton site clearly faces significant environmental and engineering challenges which reinforce Badgery's Creek's suitability.

"It would now appear Badgery's Creek is the best option, given land has been identified and reserved and the evidence to proceed is there," he said.

Mr Kilgariff said a second airport in the Sydney basin is critical to ensuring future aviation-related growth opportunities can be realised.

"According to the Asian White Paper, air freight volumes are expected to double in Australia by 2025," he said.

"Furthermore, the Joint Study on Aviation Capacity found that demand for freight services cannot be met at Sydney Airport if additional capacity cannot be added by 2035 – by that stage, it is anticipated there will be an unmet demand of over 9 million tonnes of air freight.

"Add to this the findings of Infrastructure NSW, which said in its State Infrastructure Strategy that additional secondary capacity may be needed in Sydney from the late 2020's.

"These stark figures highlight the need for urgent action to start planning now for a second Sydney Airport at Badgery's Creek.

"A second Sydney Airport would reduce congestion on the key freight corridors around Sydney Airport and add price competition into the Sydney freight market which would ultimately benefit consumers," he said.

ALC has released a *Position Paper on Airports* which is available at <http://austlogistics.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/ALC-Position-Paper-on-Airports-FINAL.pdf>

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