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EXHIBITION OF EIS AMERICOLD PROSPECT EXPANSION 554-562 RESERVOIR ROAD - PROSPECT

Thank you for your correspondence dated 10 November 2022 requesting Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to comment on the above-mentioned State Significant Development (SSD-9577613).

Road Safety

TfNSW has reviewed the submitted documentation and raised significant concerns to road safety in regard to the close proximity of the existing driveway to Prospect Highway. We recognise that issues in relation to access are experienced due to the existing arrangement as well as the expectation of this increasing due to increased development trips and the future intersection upgrade to traffic signals.

Any queue greater than 6 metres on Reservoir Road East on approach to Prospect Highway restricts the right turn into the site from the opposing direction. This is unsatisfactory in regards to traffic signal control where queues through the intersection are expected to occur.

Due to road safety grounds, TfNSW objects to any further increase in traffic generation. Therefore, an alternative access arrangement to the site requires further investigation.

Green Travel Plan

TfNSW's Travel Demand Management (TDM) team have reviewed the Americold Green Travel Plan (GTP) prepared by Beca (September 2022) and can provide the following comments. TfNSW understand that this is an industrial site in a more rural location, but appreciates that some TDM options are still viable, particularly with planned future upgrades for cycling and walking (to/from bus stops). The application of TDM is one of the key actions in the Future Transport Strategy ([Future Transport \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/future-transport)).

Parking Management

TfNSW appreciates that carpooling is being encouraged (and is already happening), but recommend that the car parking be managed to further encourage carpooling as an option, with dedicated spaces for carpooling – or the most convenient car parking reserved for carpooling.

Bicycle Parking and End of Trip (EoT)

TfNSW appreciates there is some, albeit limited, parking for bicycles at the northern of the site. TfNSW recommend that the bicycle parking be increased, to encourage more cycling use, particularly as the cycling infrastructure is improved in the future. TfNSW notes that no end of trip (EoT) are provided and recommend that EoT are provided – including showers and lockers to further encourage cycling as a viable mode of transport. This could include providing incentives for e-bikes for longer distances, and well as emerging micro mobility options. TfNSW recommend that this bicycle parking and any EoT be monitored over time to ensure sufficient supply to encourage active transport both to/from the site, for employees and visitors. Investigation into other possible bicycle parking locations around the site

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is also recommended – these should be located at convenient locations, be safe, secured and under cover. Some further guidance on bicycle parking and end of trip facilities can be found in the [cycleway design toolkit](#).

Shuttle buses

TfNSW asks that consideration be given to provision of a shuttle bus service to access the site from convenient locations (based on the employee travel survey data) and timed for the start and end of the shift patterns. This would be another option in order to move the employees more sustainably.

Travel Access Guide

TfNSW asks that a Travel Access Guide (TAG) be developed and should be included as an appendix in the GTP. The TAG should include separate route maps of all modes of transport; buses (private and public), shuttle buses, and cycling routes (particularly when these are improved.. The TAG should also:

- Provide information advising employees and visitors about service routes and timetables for buses is available on the Trip Planner at transportnsw.info/
- Provide information advising employees and visitors that additional information about current cycling routes is available on the Trip Planner at transportnsw.info/
- Location of End of Trip facilities (bike racks, showers, lockers, change rooms) and locate on map.
- Provide times and stop locations for buses and information regarding shuttle buses (if considered viable).
- For further helpful information – please check this link How to Create a Travel Access Guide doc [here](#).

The updated GTP should be submitted to TfNSW for review prior to occupation.

For more information, please contact Brett Morrison, Senior Land Use Planner, by email at development.sydney@transport.nsw.gov.au.

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