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MAISON DIEU SOLAR FARM RESPONSE TO SUBMISSIONS CASA COMMENTS

CASA has briefly reviewed the Submissions Report for the proposed Maison Dieu Solar Farm.

It appears that there was a public submission that asked: *“What about the glare to air traffic in the area some of these are helicopters used to examine hogh (sic) voltage transmission lines, crop duster emergency helicopters and all other air traffic”*.

The Landscape Character and Visual Impact Assessment and the previous CASA submission indicated that the risk to Aviation, from glare from the solar panels, was very low.

CASA maintains that the glare for pilots approaching Warkworth Airstrip is not considered to be hazardous and CASA maintains no objections to the proposed Maison Dieu Solar Farm.

Incidentally, I didn't see a submission from the Hunter Valley Gliding Club - I expect that they are pre-occupied with the Transmission Lines planned to cross the Approach and Tak-Off zones for the Warkworth Airstrip.

Yours sincerely

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