TWU Pilot's Division Flight Safety Committee Meeting Service Assurance, Airservices Australia 1 November 2023



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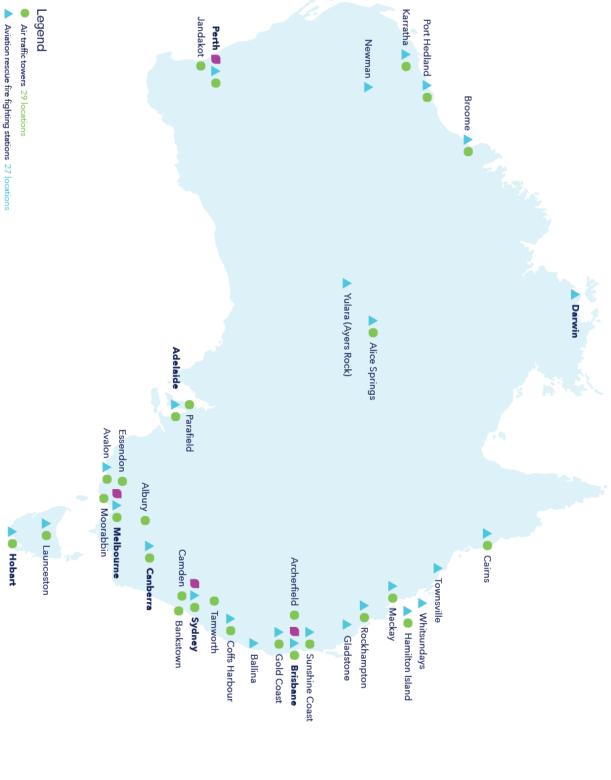
### **Presentation Agenda**

- Introduction
- Update on current Traffic Levels/Recovery
- **Network Overview Results**
- Contingencies and Improvements
- Airspace
- Pilbara Region
- Newcastle/Williamtown
- Proserpine/Whitsundays (Mackay)
- Launceston
- Ballina
- Our Strategy







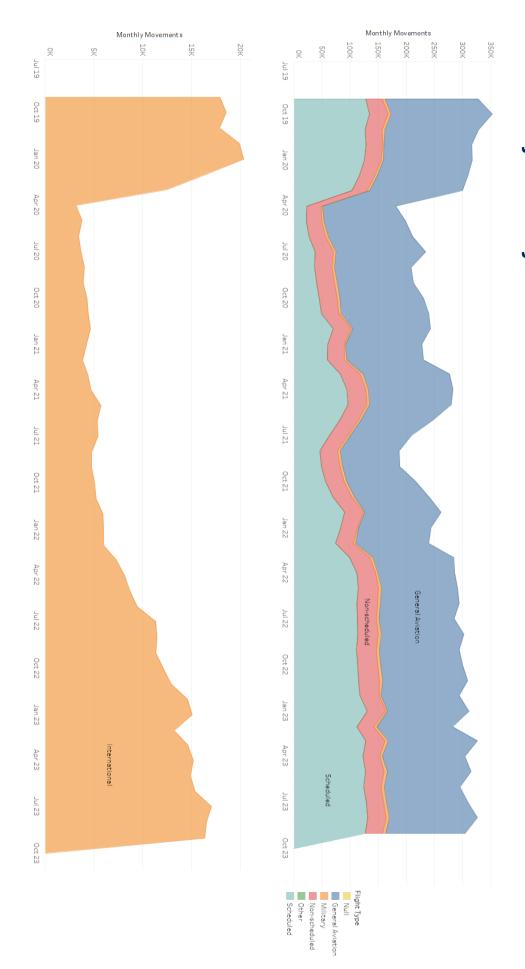


Air traffic services centres 4 locations

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# Update on Safety Related Issues

## Traffic Recovery - Monthly Movements





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## **Australian Aviation Network Overview**

- New initiative to improve insight for the industry initial release for 2023 financial year and updated in July/August and September
- Includes a snapshot of key social and economic trends in the sector, our regional context and the performance of the Australian aviation network
- Focus on improving service performance

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Australian Aviation Network Overview – Network Performance





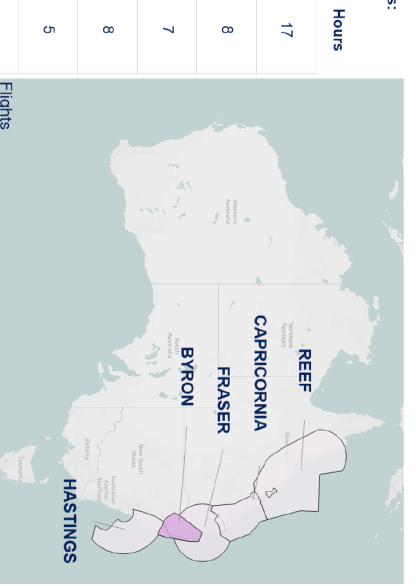
On Time Departures (%) ■ On Time Arrivals (%) ■ Cancellations (%)

Australian Aviation Network Overview - Service Provision - Enroute

## Airspace Sector Groups: Sep 2023

**Flights** 

| BALLINA (SFIS)* | REEF | HASTINGS | FRASER | CAPRICORNIA | BYRON |  |
|-----------------|------|----------|--------|-------------|-------|--|
| 23              | 15   | 22       | 29     | 26          | 161   |  |
| 1               | 5    | œ        | 7      | æ           | 17    |  |
| Flights<br>0    |      |          |        |             |       |  |





Australian Aviation Network Overview - Service Provision - Towers

## Air Traffic Control Towers: Sep 2023

| Avalon   | Alice Springs | Albury | Karratha | Broome | Sunshine Coast | Canberra | Essendon | Archerfield | Gold Coast | Parafield | Bankstown |         |
|--|---------------|--------|----------|--------|----------------|----------|----------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| 72   | 107           | 229    | 52       | 4      | 10             | 2        | 0        | ω           | 36         | 0         | _         | Flights |
| 240  | 86            | 126    | 23       | 2      | 7              | 2        | 2        | 7           | 12         | 93        | 6         | Hours   |
| Rarratha  Karratha  Karratha  Karratha  Morten  Sunshin  Alice  Archerfield  Springs  Gold Coast  Banks  Canberra  Canberra  Banks  Canberra |               |        |          |        |                |          |          |             |            |           |           |         |

Bankstown





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#### Contingencies

- Contingency procedures have been improved based on airline feedback
- Procedures are now published on Airservices website: https://www.airservicesaustralia.com/notammaps (scroll to bottom of page
- Key example: Changes to Nth Qld / Coral Approach contingency plan to enable the towers to remain open
- Supporting videos provided (VFR / IFR )

### Contingency Plans

National Contingency Plan ATSC/FIR ATS Contingency Plan

Coral Approach Contingency Plan

<u>Video: Coral approach not available – VFR</u> <u>Video: Coral approach not available – IFR</u>

En Route ATS Contingency Plan

Non-continuous Tower ATS Contingency Plan
TMA ATS Contingency Plan

# Performance and Customer Experience (PACE) Program

- A suite of initiatives to enhance service resilience and deliver reliable experience for our customers, including:
- Training pipeline to deliver significant number of new endorsed controllers in 2024
- Use of restricted endorsements to improve utilisation of available controllers including new initiative for Enroute Conditional **Endorsements (ECE)**
- Efficiency improvements across internal processes that impact controller availability
- Contributed to improved service provision at Byron

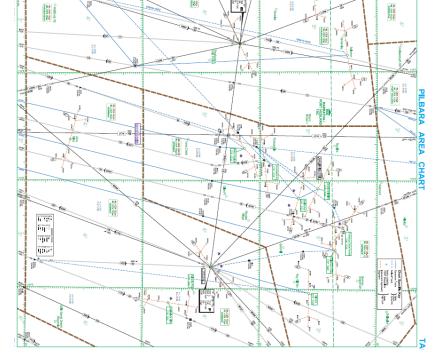
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# Update on Safety Related Issues – Airspace

#### Pilbara Region

- Airservices participates in Pilbara Operators Forum
- operations in the airspace Airservices published the Pilbara Region Terminal Area Chart (TAC) to improve
- Airlines are collaborating on a 'Joint Operators Manual' to support aligned processes
- airspace review: CASA Office of Airspace Regulation (OAR) are currently finalising the Pilbara
- Communication limitations in the area impact situational awareness
- VHF radio communications are limited at lower levels due topography and shielding
- Frequency congestion is regularly experienced
- HF communications are delayed due operations separate from ATC sector
- Satellite phones are used due HF limitations, impacting situational awareness
- and Paraburdoo, coverage limited away from these areas Surveillance is limited to ADS-B, with 2 units available located at Newman

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### Williamtown / Newcastle

- Final design for Williamstown Airspace changes was approved by CASA in July and will come into effect on 30 November
- All changes have been published as part of AIP: https://www.airservicesaustralia.com/aip
- Includes changes to flight paths, introduction of Class C steps and R559 Restricted Area
- Airservices is providing industry briefings via Teams over the next few weeks invitations have been sent to Airlines and other stakeholders that were part of the consultation

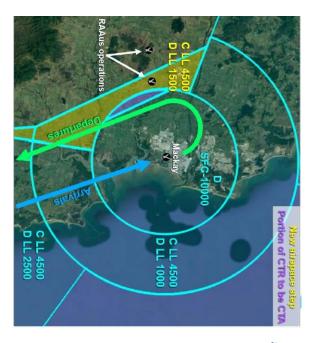




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### **Proserpine/Whitsunday**

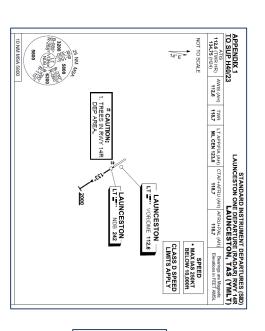
- CASA OAR conducting aeronautical study/airspace review (commenced in
- The scope includes Proserpine Broadcast Area (BA), OCTA regions of the Whitsundays, and the Kinchant BA
- consultation with GA now subject to environmental assessment Minor change to airspace west of Mackay proposed after initial
- Further changes in the area are subject to the findings of the CASA OAR





#### Launceston

- A new RADAR SID for RWY 14R will come into effect on 2 November
- separated from arriving traffic Safety improvement: traffic departing to north will be further
- Improved integration with TAS APP service
- Other SID/STAR changes have been delayed



### LAUNCESTON ONE DEPARTURE (RADAR)

- RWY 14R
- GRAD 4.6% to 6300ft, then 3.3%

   Track 133°

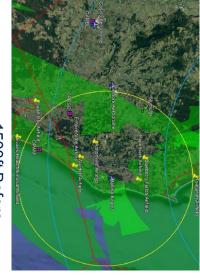
   AT or ABV 2000ft turn to assigned heading or track

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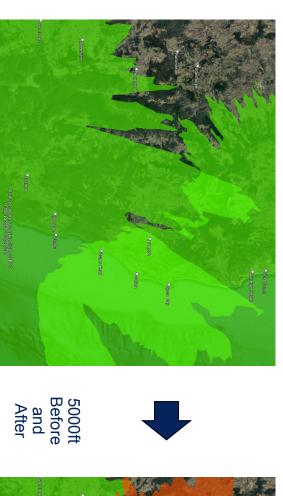
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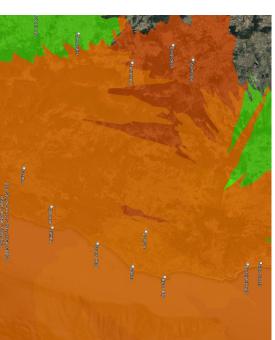
- Currently delivering Surveillance and Flight Information Service (SFIS)
- CASA OAR Airspace Review published in Dec 2022, with 9 recommendations, 4 related to Airservices:
- CASA to direct AA to install ADS-B ground station
- Airservices installed ADS-B ground station in March 2023 filled in low-level surveillance gaps, particularly to West of BNA, below 5000ft see coverage plots
- CASA to make determination to establish control area with a base as low as possible (interim)
- CASA to make determination that Ballina become a controlled aerodrome
- CASA to prepare and finalise ACP in preparation for recommendations above

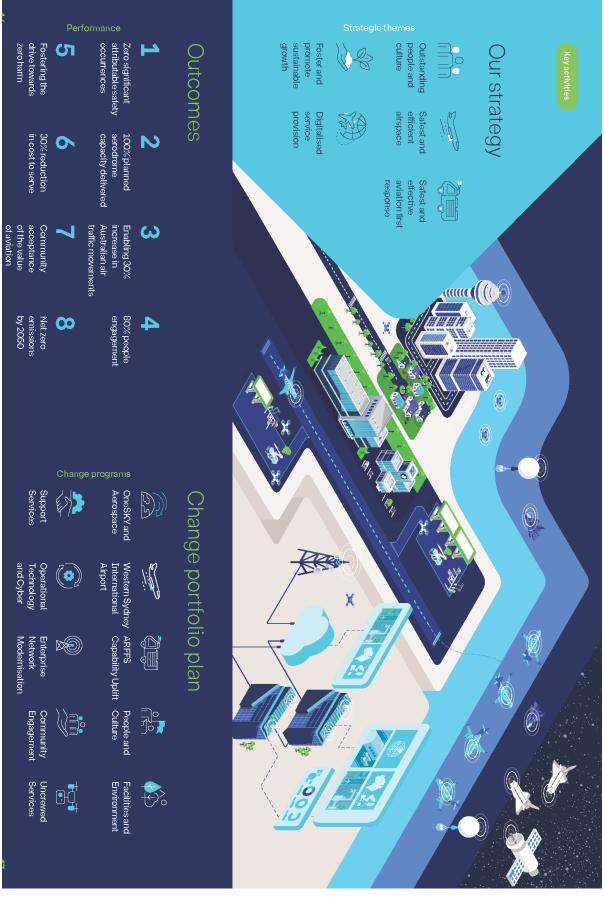


1500ft Before

Target dates still to be confirmed













## Questions?

Contact: service.assurance@airservicesaustralia.com

Airspace and Flight Path Changes — see Engage: https://engage.airservicesaustralia.com

AIP: https://www.airservicesaustralia.com/aip

Australian Aviation Network Overview: