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26th March 2025

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Dear Sir/Madam;

LANDOWNER SUBMISSION: CASEY FIELDS SOUTH (EMPLOYMENT) & DEVON MEADOWS PSP 235 CLYDE-FIVE WAYS ROAD, CLYDE 3978 (PARCEL CF-23) 1665 SOUTH GIPPSLAND HIGHWAY, CRANBOURNE EAST 3977 (PARCEL CF-13)

TITLE DETAILS: LOT 1 ON PS421555E & CP165660

We refer to the above matter and write on behalf of the landowner, Dalmont Bay Pty Ltd and Frontlink Pty Ltd (collectively referred to as the "Mondous Property Group" or MPG) to make a submission regarding the draft Amendment C295case and the Casey Fields South (Employment) and Devon Meadows PSP currently being exhibited.

As noted above we represent MPG in relation to two land holdings which are outlined below.

PSP Parcel ID:	CF-23
Land Address:	235 CLYDE-FIVE WAYS ROAD, CLYDE 3978
Registered Proprietor:	Dalmont Bay Pty Ltd
SPI:	LOT 1 ON PS421555E
Site Area:	15.33 ha
Proposed Land Use designation:	Parcel CF-23
	Area – 15.33ha
	Non-Arterial Road – Widening (ICP land) – 0.04ha
	Waterway and Drainage Reserve – 7.80ha
	Local Park (ICP land) – 0.03ha
	NDA Employment – 7.45ha (48.6%)

PSP Parcel ID:	CF-13
Land Address:	1665 SOUTH GIPPSLAND HIGHWAY, CRANBOURNE EAST 3977
Registered Proprietor:	Frontlink Pty Ltd
SPI:	CP165660
Site Area:	1.62 ha
Proposed Land Use designation:	Parcel CF-13
	Area – 1.62ha
	Non-Arterial Road – PAO – 0.30ha
	NDA Employment – 1.32ha (81.5%)

Please refer to the enclosed tables for details of the submission on behalf of MPG:

- TABLE 1: Initial Planning Review PSP
- TABLE 2: Initial Planning Review Schedule 15 to Clause 37.07 Urban Growth Zone



As discussed in our recent meeting held at 2pm on 24/03/2025, MPG were not invited to any previous discussions with the VPA since the commencement of this PSP in 2021, which has resulted in a significant loss of developable area on Parcel CF-23 as MPG were not party to these early discussions regarding the land use budget. Moving forward, it is requested that MPG and Reeds Consulting Pty Ltd be invited to attend all future consultations/meetings regarding the PSP in relation to MPG's land holdings to ensure that fair and equitable outcomes are achieved.

Given time constraints, this is a high-level planning submission, and the concerns raised are not exhaustive and only represent the preliminary views of MPG. A separate submission will be made regarding drainage matters.

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We represent MPG in relation to two land holdings which are outlined in the enclosed landowner submission letter. The drainage matters raised in this submission pertain to our client's property at 235 Clyde-Five Ways Road, Clyde 3978, a 15.33ha site designated as PSP Parcel ID CF-23 in the Casey Fields South (Employment) PSP.

As discussed in our recent meeting held at 2pm on 24/03/2025, MPG was not invited to any previous discussions with the VPA and Melbourne Water since the commencement of this PSP in 2021. This exclusion has resulted in a significant loss of developable area on Parcel CF-23, as MPG was not part of the early discussions regarding the land use budget. Moving forward, it is requested that MPG and Reeds Consulting Pty Ltd be invited to attend all future consultations and meetings regarding the PSP and Melbourne Water Drainage Scheme in relation to MPG's land holdings to ensure fair and equitable outcomes for our client.

Given time constraints, this is a high-level drainage submission. The concerns raised are not exhaustive and only represent the preliminary views of MPG. This letter should be considered alongside the enclosed submission by our planning team dated 26th March 2025.

Drainage related matters:

1) Comments on the draft PSP:

- a) The draft PSP Plan 6 shows multiple retarding basins that are not cost-effective and hinder efficient development of this precinct. MPG requests that VPA and Melbourne Water review and optimise the draft Drainage Scheme and PSP to:
 - i) Rationalise the overall number of retarding basins.
 - ii) Provide TUFLOW flood mapping of existing conditions to ensure the landowners are informed with improved flood intelligence compared to the outdated flood overlays. This will ensure that the retarding basins are appropriately placed in flood-prone, low-lying areas of the catchment.
 - iii) Review the locations, orientations and footprint requirements of CFS2/CF-RB-02, CFS3/CF-RB-04 and CFS4/CF-RB-05 to ensure they are effective and optimised.

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2) Comments on the GHD Preliminary Concept Drainage Strategy report dated 21st February 2025:

- a) The Concept Drainage Strategy Plan (Appendix C) does not show the existing and ultimate external flows and major assets from adjacent drainage schemes, making it difficult to understand the ultimate drainage system as a whole and whether appropriate external flows have been accounted for.
 - Examples include Junction Village South DSS 2363-RBWL and Casey Fields South DSS 2364-RB1A which discharge directly into Casey Fields South PSP, and are not shown in the GHD report

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- ii) Figures 1 and 2, as well as the Concept Drainage Strategy Plan in Appendix C, need to be updated to clearly show existing and proposed major drainage scheme assets upstream and downstream of the PSPs
- iii) GHD report should adopt asset naming consistent with the PSP Plan 6 for clarity
- iv) GHD report needs to outline ultimate retarding basin 1% AEP detention volume requirements, details of which seem to have been omitted from the report.
- b) Section 5.2 of the GHD report states that the TUFLOW hydraulic model was developed to inform the preliminary concept drainage strategy, however the report lacks existing or ultimate flood plans.
 - i) The results of the TUFLOW modelling by GHD should be shared with the landowners to ensure transparency in the development of the drainage scheme and PSPs.

3) Comments on CFS3/CF-RB-04:

- a) MPG requests a detailed review of CFS3/CF-RB-04 by VPA and Melbourne Water to ensure this asset is optimised to suit the existing topography and future arterial road grading requirements. MPG is concerned that the extent of CFS3/CF-RB-04 drainage reserve shown in the draft PSP Plan 6 is significantly larger than shown in the GHD Preliminary Concept Drainage Strategy Plan (Appendix C) as shown in Figure 1 below:
 - i) There is a significant difference in CFS3/CF-RB-04 wetland area extent shown on PSP plan 6 (approx. 13,500m²) compared to the GHD report (9000m²).
 - ii) Additionally, the drainage reserve area shown in PSP Plan 6 appears to be significantly larger than shown in the GHD Concept design report (Appendix C). VPA needs to explain this discrepancy.

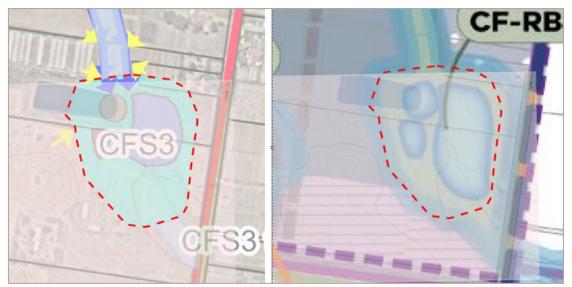


Figure 1: GHD Preliminary Concept Drainage Strategy Plan (left) vs PSP Plan 6 layout (right) of CFS3/CF-RB-04

- b) MPG raise concerns regarding parameters used in the GHD report regarding CFS3/CF-RB-04 and request a thorough review of this asset by GHD, Melbourne Water and VPA:
 - i) MPG is particularly concerned that the GHD report, Table D4, indicates that the retarding basin is only 450mm deep, which exacerbates the retarding basin footprint requirement.
 - ii) MPG requests a retarding basin concept plan of this asset showing existing surface contours and typical cross sections to clarify the depth of the retarding basin and the assumptions made on the outlet. Consideration should be given to increasing the depth of the retarding basin to optimise and reduce the detention footprint.

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c) MPG would like the opportunity to work proactively with VPA and Melbourne Water to optimise the size and layout of CFS3/CF-RB-04. We suggest investigating opportunities to increase the detention depth, reduce detention footprint and delineate a more rectangular shape fronting Clyde-Five Ways Road to ensure an efficient development interface. It is our view that the preliminary concept layout of this asset has ample scope to optimise the shape and reduce land take requirements.

4) Comments on CFS2/CF-RB-02 and CFS4/CF-RB-05:

- a) MPG has concerns regarding the GHD concept design and flow management of these assets:
 - i) CFS2/CF-RB-02 appears superfluous and should be integrated with CFS4/CF-RB-05 into a single regional drainage scheme asset for cost-efficiency.
 - ii) The GHD report does not clearly define the extent of the catchment for CFS2/CF-RB-02. The current concept design shows a sediment pond in the northern portion of the drainage reserve, while local flows from the west also discharge into the southwest corner of the reserve. The current drainage reserve grades north to south, and the GHD concept design is not sensitive to existing topography and will require significant excavation to allow treatment of the local catchment to the west.
 - iii) We have concerns about whether CFS4/CF-RB-05 can be designed to function as an offline wetland. It is unclear whether any consideration has been made on how to discharge local catchment from either side of the high-flow bypass channel into the sediment pond and wetlands. A concept design plan should be provided for each of these assets to show the high-flow bypass arrangement and its interaction with local low flows that need to be discharged into the wetland.

5) Comments on Galileo's proposal:

a) MPG is supportive of Galileo's proposal shown in Figure 2 below, which shows the full removal of SFC2/CF-RB-02 from the subject land. MPV's view is that Galileo's proposal, in the form shown in Figure 2, rationalises the drainage assets and increases the development potential of the overall precinct. Additionally, Galileo's proposal addresses some of the MPG concerns outlined in item 4 above regarding retarding basins CFS2/CF-RB-02 and CSF4/CF-RB-05.

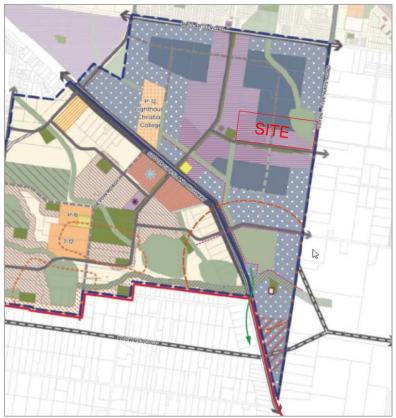


Figure 2: Galileo proposal to rationalise Retarding Basins CF-RB-02 and CF-RB-05

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6) Other comments:

- a) Why has climate change scenario SSP5-8.5 been adopted in the GHD Preliminary Concept Drainage Strategy report? Is this scenario appropriate and consistent with climate change scenarios under consideration for the Croskell PSP?
- b) It is recommended that a further review be conducted of the ultimate drainage outfalls east of Clyde-Five Ways Road. Where appropriate and feasible, these designs should be incorporated into outfalls being delivered by these PSPs to reduce the footprint requirements of the ultimate drainage scheme retarding basins being proposed and/or improve the function of the ultimate wetlands adjacent to Clyde-Five Ways Road.

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Enclosed: Reeds Planning Landowner submission letter dated 26th March 2025





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				Plan 8 does not make specific reference to a "bushfire hazard".





TABLE 2: Initial Planning Review – Schedule 15 to Clause 37.07 Urban Growth Zone

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8	Section 3	Bushfire Management Plan	The draft UGZ15 refers to a "bushfire hazard area shown on Plan 8" yet Plan 8 does not make specific reference to a "bushfire hazard".	VPA to update reference to "bushfire hazard" to correctly reference the PSP and any relevant plans.
9	Section 3	Sodic and Dispersive Soils Management Plan	The draft UGZ15 requires any application to subdivide land or construct or carry out bulk earthworks to undertake a Sodic and Dispersive Soils Management Plan.	The applicant requests justification from the VPA as to why this is being applied as a blanket requirement for all land in the PSP, when historically the surrounding land did not have this requirement.
10	Section 4	Bushfire Management Plan	The draft UGZ15 refers to a "bushfire hazard area shown on Plan 8" yet Plan 8 does not make specific reference to a "bushfire hazard".	VPA to update reference to "bushfire hazard" to correctly reference the PSP and any relevant plans.