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Mr Andrew Smith, Chief Planner, National Capital Authority, GPO Box 373, Canberra ACT 2601 Thank you for the opportunity to have input into the proposal for Seaplanes on Lake Burley Griffin.

Please find responses below to the questions raised and contact me for any further information or explanations.

What is your initial response to the idea of seaplanes operating on Lake Burley Griffin?

This is a great idea and every effort should be made to ensure this proposal does happen. What are the top three things the NCA should consider in making a decision regarding seaplane operations on Lake Burley Griffin?

- 1. The boost to the ACT economy by bringing tourists, creating jobs and providing more demand for the accommodation and hospitality sector.
- 2. An operational area on the lake that does not cause issues with current water use
- 3. Consider any reasonable environmental issues that have not already been considered for other activities on the lake, such as existing boat use, etc.

Has the NCA appropriately covered the range of issues requiring consideration before making a decision concerning seaplane operations on Lake Burley Griffin? Yes, and comprehensively.

Could seaplane operations assist in raising awareness of Canberra as the National Capital and how could this benefit Australians?

Yes. As our business relies on tourism, there is always a need to promote Canberra and provide the economic business growth which the ACT needs at the moment.

Currently, there are minimal business incentives provided by the ACT Government.

## Regards



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