

14 September 2016

Dear Neighbour

Re: Proposed additions and alterations to South Coast (Nowra) Correctional Centre.

The NSW Government has announced a \$3.8 billion prison bed capacity program with many correctional centres in NSW to be expanded or recommissioned over the next four years. Not only will this help accommodate the increasing prison population and continue the Government's focus on community safety, it will provide improved opportunities for rehabilitation. Many new jobs will be created during the construction and operational phases, and local businesses will benefit from increased trade.

The South Coast (Nowra) Correctional Centre is a male maximum, medium and minimum security facility with over 600 beds. The expansion will see the following additions and alterations:

- 160 maximum security beds;
- 200 minimum security beds;
- Refurbishment and extensions to existing buildings
- New industries building; and
- Car park expansion

Please refer to the attached map for further information about the proposed works.

The expansion will be carried out in accordance with the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure)* 2007. Potential environmental impacts must be considered in determining the proposal's viability in accordance with the *NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979.* These will be documented in a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) that is currently being prepared.

The REF, which will also address community feedback, will cover;

- social and economic impacts;
- impacts on the amenity of nearby neighbours;
- traffic, access and parking during construction and operation phases;
- geotechnical information, stormwater and waste management;
- environmental impacts; and
- Aboriginal and European heritage.

The NSW Department of Justice has engaged JBA Urban Development Consultants to carry out community and stakeholder consultation during the development of the REF. Should you have any questions or feedback about the proposed additional facilities, please contact:





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Please ensure any comments or feedback are submitted by **close of business Wednesday**, **5 October 2016.** A response to any enquiry will be provided within five business days.

Final copies of reports generated through this process will be made readily available to the community approximately four weeks after the closing date via our website at: www.correctiveservices.justice.nsw.gov.au/new-prisons

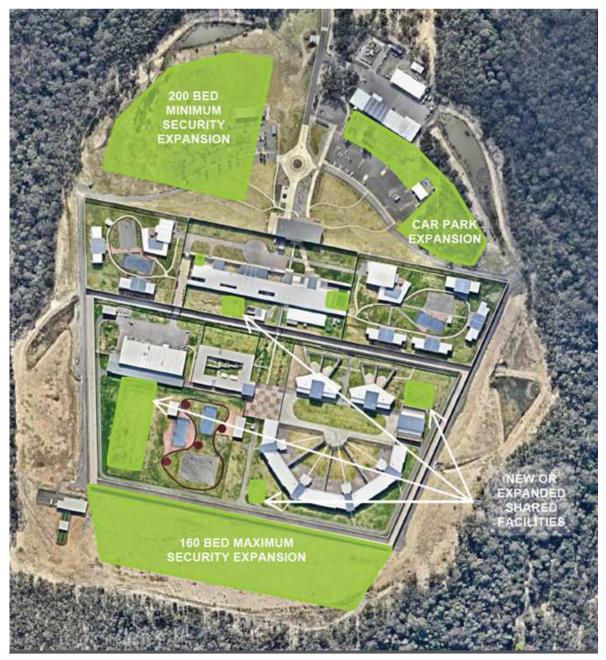
If you have any enquiries about the prison bed capacity program, please contact our Engagement Team on 1800 875 345 or newprisons@justice.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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Above: Aerial photo of proposed expansion of the South Coast Correctional Centre