

## **Eurobodalla Shire Council**

**Dear DITRDC,**

**I am writing about the Review of Sydney Airport Demand Management with input specific to the regional ring fence.**

**Eurobodalla Shire Council owns and operates Moruya Airport which pre-Covid offered daily return services to Sydney.**

**The review Discussion Paper looks at the issue from Sydney Airport's point of view and focusses on numbers of passengers whereas for us regional communities there are bigger socio-economic issues at play than just pure numbers. It is vital that access remains guaranteed to ensure business people, medical staff and patients can access Sydney quickly and the number of passengers involved cannot be the only judgement of the economic or social importance of the flight.**

**Other points to make include:**

- § Regional fares are already expensive to small airports so the regional price cap at Sydney Airport needs to be managed closely so as not to exacerbate this cost differential**
- § Access is maintained for flights to / from Moruya & Sydney Airport in the key prime early morning and late afternoon slots is vital for the ongoing viability of RPT services**