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Content:

Thank you for the opportunity to make comment on the Draft SEPP.

My concern with regard to the various draft planning instruments and guidelines is that they are silent on addressing air quality impacts.

As more schools and childcare centres are developed or expanded adjacent to major roads the potential for adverse health impacts on sensitive receptors - children escalates. Not only is the volume of traffic important but so is the proximity to the road interface.

Our understanding of the serious health impacts from fine particulates for example has occurred only in the past decade. Hence from a precautionary context measures need to be introduced in the various planning instruments and guidelines to address air quality.

It is suggested that air quality impacts be specifically introduced as a matter for consideration by consent authorities under the LEP / SEPPs . The guideline should provide information about matters such as the desired distance of play areas, rooms, etc from the road interface and exhaust vents from basement car parks. These would compliment and reinforce the RMS guidelines
<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/projects/guideto-infrastructure-development-near-rail-corridors-busy-roads.pdf>

In instances where on going air quality monitoring is needed under a condition of development consent we should (as for soil contamination assessment) ensure that it is a part of the service approval for a childcare centre.

Regards

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Submission: Online Submission from Ingo Koernicke (comments)

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