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Via email DPTI.PlanningEngagement@sa.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Natural Resources & Environment Policy Discussion Paper
Integrated Movement Systems Policy Discussion Paper**

In reference to the first two Policy Discussion Papers, Council staff has reviewed both papers and provide the following comments.

Natural Resources and Environment

- River Murray Policy should be consistent along the length of the River corridor. Consistent policy will provide for consistent decision making and outcomes along the River Murray.
- Significant and detailed information needs to be provided to allow for accurate flood mapping along the River Murray corridor.
- Consideration of the appropriate flood level with respect to the restriction of development. Is the reference to 1956 still appropriate or should the 1974 flood level be considered the new benchmark, noting this was still a significant event.
- Clearer policy direction in relation to disposal of wastewater within the floodplain.
- Dams should be considered, or remain to be considered, development within water protection areas given their ability to have impacts 'downstream'. This will allow the size and need of dams to be regulated and assessed.

Integrated Movement Systems

- Supportive of any reform and/or policy that protects existing and possibly new freight routes which are critical to the success or otherwise of primary industries in the regional areas.
- Improved transport routes and access will facilitate regional development and industry growth.
- Improved accessibility to public transport services within regional areas should be considered.
- The policy does not appear to provide much, if any, direction for areas outside of 'Greater Adelaide'. Many of the issues considered in the discussion paper are relevant for the Greater Adelaide region and does not seem to be relevant or consider impacts for the regional/remote areas of the State.

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Council appreciates the opportunity afforded to it to provide comments on the discussion papers. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on telephone [REDACTED] or via email [REDACTED] should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours faithfully,



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