## BCRG Update 1\_2013, VicRoads update, Senate Inquiry, Feb 13 Forum

January 24, 2013

The next BCRG forum is fast approaching...February 13.

### 1) VicRoads Update on McDonald's Road

The following update was received 18/01/2013 from Phil Burga, Team Leader - Routine Operations, VicRoads - Metropolitan North West Region

'Ms Lilburn

I write to you with updated information re. your query through Damien Afxentis in December 2012 (Record No. 0450289).

VicRoads, through its contractor, undertakes the sweeping of McDonalds Road (between Somerville Road and Geelong Road), and its surrounding area, on an eight (8) cycle in accordance with its Road management Plan.

The road was last swept in mid December 2012, with the next scheduled sweep to be undertaken in mid February 2012.

It should be noted, that VicRoads and its Contractor are in contract discussions, with a view of increasing the frequency. Any variation to the Contract shall be reflected from February 2013 onwards.

It should also be noted, that this area experiences large volumes of heavy vehicles, and the local industry, significantly contribute to the build up of debris. The purpose of noting this, is to inform you that VicRoads has and is continually working with the EPA to control and regulate such build up.

Additionally, VicRoads is working with both Brimbank and Maribyrnong Councils to develop a strategy for reducing the verge buildup along the back of kerbs, caused by the above heavy vehicles and local industry, which would lead to improved drainage and dust control. All going well and securing required funding, it is envisaged such works shall be delivered by April 2013.'

# 2) Senate Inquiry into impacts on health of air quality in Australia

The Senate Community Affairs Committees is undertaking an inquiry and report into the impacts on health of air quality in Australia.

Go

to:http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\_Business/Committees/Senate\_Committees?url=clac\_ctte/air\_quality/index.htm

Submissions should be received by **08 March 2013**.

The Committee is seeking written submissions from interested individuals and organisations preferably in electronic form submitted <u>online</u> or sent by email to <u>community.affairs.sen@aph.gov.au</u> as an attached Adobe PDF or MS Word format document. The email must include full postal address and contact details.

Alternatively, written submissions may be sent to:

Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committees on Community Affairs
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600
Australia

# 3) BCRG Meeting dates, 2013 - Next meeting Feb 13

All BCRG community meetings are held from 6:30 – 9:30pm (light refreshments from 6:00pm) at the Brooklyn Community Hall, Cypress Avenue Brooklyn.

- BCRG community meeting 1/2013 Wednesday 13 February 2013.
- BCRG community meeting 2/2013 Wednesday 15 May 2013.
- BCRG community meeting 3/2013 Wednesday 14 August 2013.
- BCRG community meeting 4/2013 Wednesday 13 November 2013.

Remember, these updates are available online at: <a href="http://www.brooklynip.com.au/bcrq-updates/">http://www.brooklynip.com.au/bcrq-updates/</a>.

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