



Australian Government
Infrastructure Australia

MOOREBANK FUTURE DEVELOPMENT VISION

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- In December 2008 Minister Albanese issued a directive to me under the Infrastructure Act to:

“facilitate development of an intermodal terminal at Moorebank in Sydney’s south-western suburbs”



Why Moorebank?

- Ideally located on the Southern Sydney Rail Freight Line – under construction
- Very close to the main southern rail line to Melbourne
- Very close to the M5 and M7
- Third port terminal under construction
- Commonwealth own the land (Defence)



Who are the players?

- The local community
- The men and women in the Defence forces training for war
- The State of NSW – great for the economy
- The Nation – this intermodal terminal is vital to Australia's economic prosperity



Win, Win, Win?

- Local community get access to local jobs
Potential for a new 2.5km river parkland
accessible from Casula and Wattle Grove
- Defence get new facilities (still have access to
DSDNC)
- Western Sydney:
 - Jobs
 - One million trucks per annum off the roads



Win, Win, Win?

- Less trucks on the M5
- Dramatic cut in costs moving each container with flow on benefits to consumers
- NSW – lift in economic productivity



Timing

- This site has been under discussion for some time
- The third port development will be ready in 2012
- The Southern Sydney Freight Line will be ready by 2011
- Ideally the Moorebank site could be operational by 2013 although there are significant real issues for Defence in such a timeline



Options

1. Defence move by 2013
2. Defence stage their withdrawal to allow for the construction of a 2km rail line west of Moorebank Ave over a longer period
3. Site to be owned or leased (say 99 years) by the private sector



Alice: would you tell me which way I ought to go from here?

Cheshire Cat: that depends on where you want to get to.

Alice: I don't much care where.

Cat: then it doesn't matter which way you go.

