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Changes to NAPmap property search tool for transport noise corridors

Purpose

To advise that the transport noise corridor property search support tool 'NAPmap' (Noise Affected Properties Mapping) has been upgraded.

The NAPmap tool is now available as part of the State Planning Policy (SPP) Interactive Mapping System, which is administered by the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP).

Background

The Queensland Development Code Mandatory Part 4.4—Buildings in transport noise corridors (QDC 4.4) ensures noise reduction measures are included with residential buildings located in a designated transport noise corridor. Under the *Building Act 1975*, state and local governments can designate transport noise corridors for state-controlled roads, railways and major local government roads.

NAPmap is a Geographic Information System (GIS)-based online system used to identify if a property is located within a designated transport noise corridor. It provides users with a mapped image and details about a property's transport noise corridor status. This information can be required with a building development application.

Under QDC 4.4, residential buildings need to achieve certain levels of noise reduction for habitable rooms, such as living rooms and bedrooms, through the use of appropriate building materials for the dwelling's external envelope via its floor, walls, roof, windows and doors.

Issues

The upgraded NAPmap property search tool offers several improved features, including:

- easier navigation for property searches
- options for viewing search results, including standard cadastre or satellite image
- regular updates for property changes such as a sub-division or a divided property, and
- options for print sizes and saving search results.

The NAPmap tool can be accessed on the SPP Interactive Mapping system at:

www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/about-planning/spp-mapping-online-system.html.

Before using the upgraded NAPmap tool it is recommended that users read the following revised guides:

- [Quick guide](#)—an introductory guide to assist with using NAPmap on the SPP mapping system and obtaining a property search result, and
- [User Guide](#)—a comprehensive guide to assist with using NAPmap on the SPP mapping system and understanding all search functions and results.

More information

Further information about the NAPmap search tool and QDC 4.4 can be found via the link 'Transport noise corridors' at: www.hpw.qld.gov.au.

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