

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Seaplanes](#)
Subject: Re: Seaplanes on Lake Burley Griffin
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Dear National Capital Authority,

I am strongly opposed to allowing sea planes on Lake Burley Griffin. Lake Burley Griffin is an important recreational area for Canberrans. The fact that the sea planes will only be landing or taking off a few times a day is irrelevant as they will still negatively impact all water users who will need to be constantly vigilant for seaplanes. Furthermore, it will negatively impact the experience of all lake users who will be subject to the disturbances caused by the sea planes during take off, landing and taxiing.

I do not agree with any proposal which will disenfranchise hundreds of Canberrans each day of the peace and tranquility we have enjoyed from Lake Burley Griffin in exchange for sparing 28-50 passengers a 15- minute Uber to the Canberra airport.

I also object to the false equivalency between the Lake Burley Griffin proposal and the use of sea planes in Vancouver Canada. In Vancouver sea plane takeoffs and landings occur either adjacent to the existing Vancouver airport or in the main harbour. They do not land seaplanes in the numerous public parks, lakes or recreational areas throughout Vancouver as is proposed for Canberra.

In short, this proposal should be rejected on the basis that there is little to **no benefit for anybody**. Canberrans will lose enjoyment of one of our premier parks through noise and disruption while a few dozen sea plane passengers will save themselves a 15-minute drive between the CBD and the Canberra airport.

I urge the NCA to do the right thing and uphold the sanctity of our public parks by soundly rejecting this proposal.

Regards,

Michael Cook