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The proposal to have powered seaplanes operating from western lake Burley Griffin, straight through an area that is regularly utilised by hot air balloons and as such, it is a recipe for disaster.

In slow conditions, hot air balloons may take an hour or more to transit this area, launching from the Parliamentary Triangle, Lennox Gardens, Reid Highschool, or similar. Will these aircraft be required to operate with adequate holding fuel to account for balloons? Will the flights be cancelled for the duration of the balloon festival? Will they be required to undertake a circling approach to ensure adequate visual clearance before approach and landing?

The arrival of these aircraft within three hours of sunrise would have significant impacts on ballooning and the potential to kill off commercial ballooning in the Capital.

Thanks!
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