MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, 23 December 2015

WILLIAMTOWN INTERIM REPORT NOW ON-LINE

Environment Minister Mark Speakman today confirmed that Professor Mark Taylor has delivered his interim report into historical management of contamination at the Williamtown RAAF base.

Professor Taylor, in substance, found that the EPA may have been more proactive in its management of Williamtown contamination in the period 2012 to 2015, but that the actions of the EPA and other NSW government agencies since August 2015 have been “responsive, timely and appropriate”.

Mr Speakman said, “if there is room for improvement by NSW then it is the role of a responsible government to learn from the past and we intend to do just that.”

The Government will now consider Professor Taylor’s findings and recommendations and respond as appropriate.

Professor Taylor’s interim report is available at: www.epa.nsw.gov.au/MediaInformation/williamtown.htm