



**RAAA REGIONAL AVIATION POLICY
CALL FOR ACTION
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The Regional Aviation Association of Australia (RAAA) launched its pre-election regional aviation policies at the regional aviation summit held at Parliament house Canberra on 19 March.

The document had been given to the three major parties just prior to the summit and the document was launched officially by the RAAA Chairman, Mr Jeff Boyd.

The Hon Catherine King MP, Parliamentary Secretary to Minister Albanese, the Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Warren Truss and the Transport Spokesperson for the Greens, Senator Lee Rhiannon all attended the summit and responded to RAAA policies.

The comprehensive policy document presented the RAAA's views on aviation regulatory reform, safety reporting, aviation security, CASA funding, the enroute rebate scheme, the carbon tax, capital city and regional airports including future infrastructure needs, and the pressing questions around the ongoing industry skills shortages.

“Regional aviation is again opening up Australia, helping our country realise its potential and is essential to Australia's economic and social well being”, said Jeff Boyd.

“We will continue to engage with the government and opposition through this important document and in our discussions, to ensure that regional aviation's needs are understood clearly. There is so much more that can be achieved if the policy settings are modified and corrected.”

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