

PRESS STATEMENT

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"ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN PENANG"

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The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (NRE) through the Department of Environment (DOE) received an EIA Report <u>on 21st April</u> <u>2017</u> for the Proposed Construction of the North Coastal Paired Road from Tanjung Bungah to Teluk Bahang, Air Itam - Lebuhraya Tun Dr. Lim Chong Eu Bypass and Persiaran Gurney - Lebuhraya Tun Dr. Lim Chong Eu Bypass in Penang (packages 1, 2 and 3).

The EIA study covered the following:

- Package 1: North Coastal Paired Road from Tanjung Bungah to Teluk Bahang (10.53km)
- Package 2: Air Itam Lebuhraya Tun Dr. Lim Chong Eu By-Pass (5.7km); and
- Package 3: Persiaran Gurney Lebuhraya Tun Dr. Lim Chong Eu By-Pass (4.075km)

The projects fall under the First Schedule Activity 20 (b) (Construction of Highways) and Second Schedule Activity 13 (b) (Development in Slope Area), Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order 2015. Thus an EIA report is required to be submitted to the DOE for review and approved by the Director General of Environmental Quality under Section 34A, Environmental Quality Act 1974.

DOE approved the EIA report on <u>7 November 2017</u> as stipulated under Section 34A Environmental Quality Act 1974.

Based on PLAN Malaysia requirements, this Project does not require consent from the National Physical Plan Council (MPFN). Thank you.