

Our reference: ACTHDFOI21-22.37



Dear 

DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION

I refer to your application under Section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received by ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) on **Monday 24 January 2022** after a transferral from the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD).

This application requested access to:

'Documents including emails, briefs, correspondence, reports/studies relating to the decision for approval Summernat's festival in Canberra this year. To clarify the request relates only to COVID related assessments.'

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General of ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) under Section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. ACTHD was required to provide a decision on your access application by **Wednesday 16 March 2022**.

I have identified six documents holding the information within scope of your access application. These are outlined in the schedule of documents included at [Attachment A](#) to this decision letter.

Decisions

I have decided to:

- grant full access to four documents;
- grant part access to one document; and
- refuse access to one document.

My access decisions are detailed further in the following statement of reasons and the documents released to you are provided as [Attachment B](#) to this letter.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that fall within the scope of your request;
- The views of relevant third parties; and
- The *Human Rights Act 2004*.

Public Interest Factors Favouring Disclosure

The following factors were considered relevant in favour of the disclosure of the documents:

- Schedule 2.1 (a)(i) promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability;
- Schedule 2.1 (a)(ii) contribute to positive and informed debate on important issues or matters of public interest; and
- Schedule 2.1 (a)(viii) reveal the reason for a government decision and any background or contextual information that informed the decision.

Public Interest Factors Favouring Non-Disclosure

The following factors were considered relevant in favour of the non-disclosure of the documents:

- Schedule 2.2 (a)(ii) prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or any other right under the *Human Rights Act 2004*;
- Schedule 2.2 (a)(xi) prejudice trade secrets, business affairs or research of an agency or person.

Refuse Access

I have decided to refuse access to the information contained in document reference 1 under section 35 (1)(c) of the Act. This document contains the COVID Safe Event Plan submitted by Summernats Pty Ltd to comply with the requirements to apply for an exemption to run the event. This document is the intellectual property of Summernats Pty Ltd, and was created by and at the expense of the applicant. The release of the document was objected to by a third party consulted, as the disclosure of this information would divulge the business affairs of a non-Government entity and reduce the commercial value of the document in accordance with *Schedule 2.2 (a)(xi) prejudice trade secrets, business affairs or research of an agency or person*. In addition, *Schedule 2.2 (a)(ii) prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or any other right* under the *Human Rights Act 2004* applies to privacy rights of the individuals identified in the documents.

I have decided these factors on balance outweigh the public interest factors in favour of release as the disclosure of this information would or could reasonably be expected to have a detrimental effect for the activities of the third party and that it is the information regarding the Government decision that serves the public interest in this matter.

Partial Access

I have decided to grant partial access to the document reference 2 under section 35 (1)(c) of the Act. This document contains government information within the scope of the application request, alongside the COVID Safe Event Plan submitted by Summernats Pty Ltd which a third party objected to public release. The pages not disclosed are for the protection of the third party's business information in accordance with *Schedule 2.2 (a)(xi)* with this part of the document redacted in full.

On balance, the factors favouring disclosure do not outweigh the factor favouring non-disclosure. The release of this information would or could reasonably be expected to have a detrimental effect for the activities of the third party. Therefore, I determined the information identified is contrary to the public interest and I have decided not to disclose this information.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, ACTHD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application, my decision and documents released to you will be published in the disclosure log not less than three days but not more than 10 days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

<https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/freedom-information/disclosure-log>.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601
Via email: ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au
Website: ombudsman.act.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Level 4, 1 Moore St
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Further assistance

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Coordinator on (02) 5124 9831 or email HealthFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Vanessa Dal Molin
Executive Branch Manager
Policy and Support – COVID-19

March 2022

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS

Please be aware that under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*, some of the information provided to you will be released to the public through the ACT Government's Open Access Scheme. The Open Access release status column of the table below indicates what documents are intended for release online through open access.

Personal information or business affairs information will not be made available under this policy. If you think the content of your request would contain such information, please inform the contact officer immediately.

Information about what is published on open access is available online at: <http://www.health.act.gov.au/public-information/consumers/freedom-information>

APPLICANT NAME	WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS OF THE REQUEST	FILE NUMBER
██████████	COVID documents relating to the decision for approval Summernat's festival in Canberra this year.	ACTHDFOI21-22.37

Ref Number	Page Number	Description	Date	Status Decision	Factor	Open Access release status
1.	1-50	Email – Re: SUMMERNATS34 COVID Safe Event Plan Draft with attachment	18/11/2021	Refuse Release	Sch 2.2(a)(ii), Sch 2.2(a)(xi)	NO
2.	51-281	Email – Event Assessment Committee – Out of Session Review – Summernats 2022 with attachments Covid Safe Event Plan – at reference 1 Site Plan Event Exemption Review Covid Safe Event Plan v 211125 Event Assessment Committee Cover Page	30/11/2021	Partial Release	Sch 2.2(a)(ii), Sch 2.2(a)(xi)	Yes

3.	282	Email – RE: Event Assessment Committee – Out of Session Review – Summernats 2022	01/12/2021	Full Release		Yes
4.	283	Email – Advice to CHO – Summernats Car Festival Exemption Request with attachments: Event Exemption- Advice to CHO Attachment A and B – at reference 2	02/12/2021	Full Release		Yes
5.	284-286	Email – Re: Event Assessment Committee – Out of Session Review – Summernats 2022	02/12/2021	Full Release		Yes
6.	287-292	Event Exemption Request – signed by CHO	03/12/2021	Full Release		Yes
Total Number of Documents						
6.						

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Cc: [COVIDexemptions events](#); [Niedermeier, Georgia \(Health\)](#)
Subject: Event Assessment Committee - Out of Session Review - Summernats 2022
Date: Tuesday, 30 November 2021 9:07:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[summernats fringe festival braddon covid safe event plan rev b 211117.pdf](#)
[summernats fringe festival braddon site plan 211117.pdf](#)
[Event Review - Summernats Fringe Festival.docx](#)
[SN34 COVID SAFE EVENT PLAN REV E 211125-compressed.pdf](#)
[Event Assessment Committee Cover Page - Summernats 2022.docx](#)

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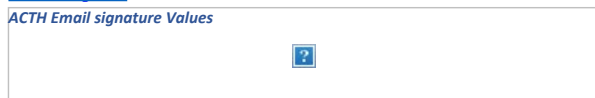
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Subject: RE: Event Assessment Committee - Out of Session Review - Summernats 2022
Date: Wednesday, 1 December 2021 11:27:47 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Hi Sarah

No major concerns from me, as discussed it would be worth checking with the organisers how many dedicated marshals they will actually have and also check on how they intend on tracking numbers within different pavilions/event rooms.

Regards

Phil

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To: [ACT Health Office of the Chief Health Officer](#)
Cc: [Dal Molin, Vanessa \(Health\)](#)
Subject: Advice to CHO - Summernats Car Festival Exemption Request
Date: 02 December 2021 11:02:37
Attachments: [Event Exemption - Advice to CHO - Summernats 2022.pdf](#)
[Attachment A - SN34 COVID SAFE EVENT PLAN REV E 211125-compressed.pdf](#)
[Attachment B - Event Review - Summernats Fringe Festival.pdf](#)

Hi Ladies,

Please find attached Advice to CHO for clearance seeking an exemption for Summernats 2022 Event.

Included attachments are

- Advice to CHO – Summernats Festival – For Clearance
- Attachment A - Summernats Festival – COVID-19 Safety Plan – For noting
- Attachment B- Summernats Fringe Festival Event Exemption Review – For noting

Please let me know if Kerryn requires any further details on this event or would like to discuss further.

Many thanks
Sarah

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Subject: Re: Event Assessment Committee - Out of Session Review - Summernats 2022
Date: Thursday, 2 December 2021 2:18:42 PM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Me too

From: Croke, Leesa <Leesa.Croke@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 2:08:59 PM
To: Springett, Emily <Emily.Springett@act.gov.au>; COVIDexemptions events <COVIDexemptions.events@act.gov.au>; Dal Molin, Vanessa (Health) <Vanessa.DalMolin@act.gov.au>; Arthy, Kareena <Kareena.Arthy@act.gov.au>; Gritti, Phil <Phil.Gritti@act.gov.au>; Heldon, Corey (AFP) <corey.heldon@afp.gov.au>
Cc: Niedermeier, Georgia (Health) <Georgia.Niedermeier@act.gov.au>
Subject: Re: Event Assessment Committee - Out of Session Review - Summernats 2022
 I'm good too
 Thanks

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From: Springett, Emily <Emily.Springett@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 2:03:16 PM
To: COVIDexemptions events <COVIDexemptions.events@act.gov.au>; Croke, Leesa <Leesa.Croke@act.gov.au>; Dal Molin, Vanessa (Health) <Vanessa.DalMolin@act.gov.au>; Arthy, Kareena <Kareena.Arthy@act.gov.au>; Gritti, Phil <Phil.Gritti@act.gov.au>; Heldon, Corey (AFP) <corey.heldon@afp.gov.au>
Cc: Niedermeier, Georgia (Health) <Georgia.Niedermeier@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Event Assessment Committee - Out of Session Review - Summernats 2022
 Thank you for the follow up, nothing additional from me.
 Emily

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Sent: Thursday, 2 December 2021 1:59 PM
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 Good Afternoon EAC,

Please see below responses to the addition information sought by the Committee

COVID Marshals

We have Spectator Services staff dedicated to entry gates, roaming through the indoor venues and camping areas. These Spectator Services staff are responsible for providing event information to patrons and to fulfil the role of COVID Marshalls. They will be supported by the Summernats Area Managers and Safety Officers.

There will be between 100 – 150 Security guards (depending on the specific day) over the event days who are all COVID trained and are able to assist should they be required to support the dedicated COVID Marshalls. Security guards will be responsible for crowd density management as part of their scope.

In addition the Federal Police will also have a presence of approximately 20 – 25 officers on site.

Please see below for the breakdown of Spectator Services, Area Managers and Safety Officers.

	4-Jan-22	5-Jan-22	6-Jan-22	7-Jan-22	8-Jan-22	9-Jan-22
Spectator Services	2	2	6	17	13	3
Area Managers	4	4	4	4	4	4
Safety Officers	3	3	3	3	3	3
Camping Services	0	0	17	9	9	4
	9	9	30	33	29	14

CAPACITY MANAGEMENT

For the front of house indoor venues we will have security guards placed at the entrance and exit points managing the numbers in and out. We will be using the 'Count Me In' system that allows for multiple devices to be synced to a particular venue so each guards will be able to add or remove patron numbers and the live total will be displayed on all devices synced to that venue. We will also be able to have a live dashboard of all venue capacities in Event Control.

For more information <https://www.localz.com/count-me-in>

FACE MASKS FOR HOSPITALITY STAFF

All bar staff are under the management of Hamilton's Hospitality and their management will be responsible for ensuring that masks are provided and are worn by all staff. In regard to caterers, messaging will be sent out prior to the event advising them of the mask requirements and during the event we will have the roaming COVID Marshalls, Area Managers and Safety Officers monitoring the catering areas in their zones to ensure compliance. We will also have a supply of spare masks to give to caterers should they need them. The Event Exemption team have also recommended the event organisers continue to monitor the situation in relation to domestic travel restrictions including for international arrivals, and consider how the event may need to be adapted if the situation changes and there is a need to tighten restrictions again.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns on this event.

Many thanks

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Thanks, ok with me. From a compliance perspective we are seeing a bit of slippage with front facing hospitality wearing masks, so if this is covered off, where and if appropriate, this would be good.

Thanks

Emily

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I think they have covered off on most issues. Maybe we need to flag with the organisers that they need to pay attention to domestic travel restrictions including for international arrivals to ensure they are up to date.

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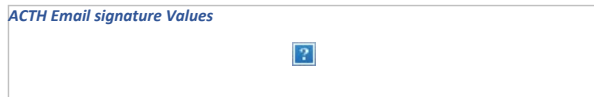
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Advice regarding Event Exemption Request

Event:	Summernats 2022
Organiser:	Summernats 34
Application Received:	Ongoing consultation
Event Date(s):	4 January 2022 – 9 January 2022
Event Duration:	See below
Event Location:	Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC)
Number of attendees:	76,500 (whole event)

Overview of Event

Summernats organisers are seeking an exemption from the 2,000-person limit for Organised Events to permit up to 76,500 patrons to attend the Summernats car festival over the course of 4 days.

- Summernats, is Australia’s leading automotive lifestyle event. Held at Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC) over 4 days, the event features over 2,000 of Australia’s best performance and modified cars participating in a mix of programmed events in a mix of existing indoor buildings as well as outdoors spaces across the EPIC site.
- Summernats was due to be held in 2021 however was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The event has been re-scheduled for Thursday 6 to Sunday 9 January 2022.
- The Summernats event held in 2020, had an aggregate audience of 99,240 over 4 days. With 87% of the audience travelling from outside of the ACT.
- In 2022, the Summernats organisers are planning for the following attendee numbers:
 - Thursday 6 January – 10,000 Attendees
 - Friday 7 January – 20,000 Attendees
 - Saturday 8 January – 30,000 Attendees
 - Sunday 9 January – 10,000 Attendees

TOTAL Attendees across the event – 76,500

*Note Attendee numbers do not include workers ie Summernats staff, contractors and traders

Date	Activity	Time
Tuesday 4 January	Entrant Vehicle Scrutineering at EPIC	4:00pm – 9:00pm
Wednesday 5 January	Entrant Vehicle Scrutineering at EPIC Entrant Vehicle Scrutineering at Thoroughbred Park	7:00am – 10:00pm
Thursday 6 January	Mix of Programme Activities at EPIC City Cruise down Northbourne Avenue	10:00am – 9:00pm
Friday 7 January	Mix of Programme Activities at EPIC	9:00am – 10:00pm
Saturday 8 January	Mix of Programme Activities at EPIC	9:00am – 10:00pm
Sunday 9 January	Mix of Programme Activities at EPIC	9:00am – 6:00pm

Summary of engagement with the event organisers:

- Summernats organisers conducted preliminary consultations with the Office of the Chief Health Officer in June 2021, prior to the ACT going into Lockdown on 12 August 2021.
- Summernats organisers met with ACT Health and other relevant ACT Government Directorates on 21 October 2021 to provide an update on planning for Summernats 2022.
- Ongoing consultation is occurring between the Summernats organisers and ACT Health on elements of their COVID Safety Plan. These include
 - Planning the event to encouraging patrons to limit their time in indoor spaces, noting that these spaces present a higher risk for COVID-19 transmission.
 - Use of Check in CBR for all indoor spaces
 - Confirmation of details collected at time of ticket purchase, in the event contact tracing is required
 - Ability to identify patrons within a specific area of the event ie grandstand/ concert / campsite.

A copy of the Events COVID Safe plan can be found at [Attachment A](#)

Remaining Concerns:

- Summernats COVID Safety Plan was sent to the Event Assessment Committee on 30 November for review. The committee are seeking some additional information around COVID Marshals, tracking numbers inside venues, and masks for hospitality service. These questions were passed on to the event organiser for response.
 - The event exemptions team is yet to receive a updated COVID-19 Safety Plan on these matters; however these are minor concerns from the EAC and do not believe these will impact on the overall support of the event.
- The EAC asked the Event exemptions team to flag with the organisers regarding the new COVID-19 variant of concern within Australia. The event exemptions team have reminded the organisers to ensure they continue to monitor the situation in relation to domestic and international travel restrictions, noting these may change at any time.
- The event exemptions team has also asked the organisers to consider how the event may need to be adapted if the situation changes and there is a need to tighten restrictions again.

Other Matters:**Summernats Media Launch**

- The Official launch of Summernats 34 and Braddon Fringe Festival will take place on Friday 3 December 2021 on Lonsdale Street, Braddon. The Chief Minister will be in attendance

COVID-19 Testing Site

- The testing site currently located within Exhibition Park is being relocated to allow for full use of the Exhibition Park venue for the event. This will commence from 19 December 2021. Venues Canberra and CHS have been working on this relocation.

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- The event organisers will also be operating a 'Show and Shine' (static vehicle display) and cruise route along Lonsdale Street over two nights, Friday 7 January and Saturday 8 January 2022.
- Under the Public Health Direction, this event is only required to be notified to ACT Health and does not require an exemption.
- A copy of the Event Exemption Review Can be found at **Attachment B**

It is recommended that this event is supported on the following basis:

Meets	Key Action	Brief summary
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Event reviewed by Event Assessment Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The event was reviewed by the Event Assessment Committee (EAC) Out of Session. • The EAC are seeking some additional information around COVID Marshals, tracking numbers inside venues, and masks for hospitality service • Overall, the Event Assessment Committee were happy to support the event.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	COVID Safe Event Plan supplied	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Risk Plan (if applicable)	Detailed Risk assessment Plan provided
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transport Plan (if applicable)	Public Transport Plan provided including maps
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other plans (if applicable)?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COVID Safe Plan also submitted via email for Summernats Fringe Festival Braddon (attached) - Event program - Wilclean COVID Safe Plan (cleaning contractor) - Alcohol Management Operations Plan Rent a Tent Health Management Plan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Register for Check in CBR and display a QR Code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check in CBR will be used at EPIC and each individual indoor space on the site - All staff, volunteers, media, sponsors, VIPs, exhibitors and attendees will be required to check in using the Check in CBR QR code provided - Event staff will assist those who require assistance - All indoor venues will have individual codes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All grandstands, camping areas, concert areas will have a unique code - Additional methods implemented to collect contact details if required - If multiple tickets are purchased by one person they will be contacted for the contact details of the other ticket holders, tickets will not be released until this information provided <p>Delivery drivers will be required to check in</p>
☒	Manage any exemption to density / capacity limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 person per 2sqm to be applied across the site indoor and outdoor. - Event Control to monitor potential congestion locations using CCTV and live feedback through radio comms, can deploy additional resources if necessary - Capacity calculations have been conducted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 110,750 at EPIC (1:2) o 975 at Thoroughbred Park (1:2) o 111,725 total (1:2) - Further breakdown of maximum capacities of individual venues and outdoor spaces on-site has been calculated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Venue size, usable space, maximum capacity figures all included - Camping site maximum capacities have also been calculated and actual permitted numbers fall well below calculated maximums - Highest number of anticipated attendees is Saturday 8 January, 30,000 - Ticket sales and site capacity will be live tracked to ensure capacity compliance - Maximum capacity signage for all trade and exhibition sites, indoor and outdoor venues - Staff to count-in and out patrons entering and exiting pavilions and communicate via radio - Grandstand seating will be ticketed to allow for 100% capacity <p>Unfixed seating will be 1:2 ratio</p>
☒	Manage attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ticketed event managed through OZTIX - Ticket scanning facilities located at each entry point - Pre-sold with option to purchase at gate - Anticipated 76,500 attendees over 4 days with 45% expected to be unique attendees - Camping attendees have specific accreditation allowing them to be on-site after hours - 81% of spectators are from interstate - Communication to be distributed to attendees prior to the event outlining <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o COVID Safe Event Requirements o Terms and Conditions o Health, hygiene etc. o Check in CBR o Refund Policy o Code of Conduct o Travel Advice o Contact details for more COVID information

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Detailed communication breakdown provided - Separate entry and exit points to avoid two-way traffic - Ticket sales online only to ensure all contact details collected - Site ingress and egress management detailed including queuing maps <p>Takeaway food only from indoor food vendors</p>
☒	Encourage physical distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Signage to be displayed in queueing locations - PA system and Superscreens to display messaging - 1.5m floor decals for queueing, trade sites, catering locations, bar queueing, bus zones - Maximum capacity signage - Wall markings showing 1.5m - Security to assist in monitoring - COVID Marshals to monitor and verbally remind patrons <p>Camping sites will be separated by walkways to ensure groups set up 1.5m from the closest group</p>
☒	Provide hand sanitiser and encourage good hygiene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sanitising and handwashing facilities through event detailed breakdown provided - Traders, caterers, exhibitors to provide their own sanitiser - Mask wearing in all indoor spaces and high-density areas (queues) - Mask wearing by staff and contractors in customer facing roles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ticketing o Security o Hospitality o Trade and Exhibition o Spectator services o Motorsport officials - Enhanced cleaning schedule - Cleaning schedule developed in collaboration with Wilclean (cleaning contractor) - Cleaning site wide continuously throughout day with focus on high touch/traffic areas - Pre and post event cleans <p>Cleaners to scan unique QR codes upon completion of cleaning to track progress</p>
☒	Use COVID safe messaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication of COVID safe strategies to staff and attendees' pre-event and at event - Signage to be displayed site wide <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Distancing, hygiene, stay home if you are unwell, T&Cs etc. - PA system and Superscreens to display messaging - Detailed breakdown of signage to be used and locations it will appear - Patron Code of Conduct includes COVID Safe messaging <p>Using ACT Government brand signage</p>
☒	Manage illness on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summernats Medical Response Plan - Dedicated medical facilities - Expert paramedic and first aid personnel

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ability to identify, isolate, treat and transport unwell attendees - Screening methods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o T&Cs o Scheduled comms reminding ticket holders to stay home if unwell o Email comms o Complete a daily check upon arrival - Ambulance Service Australia to provide emergency medical services (COVID plan is already endorsed by ACT Health) - Health Authority Notification process outlined - PPE supplied - Isolated screening areas for suspected cases <p>Detailed plan for what to do in the event someone presents with COVID symptoms including process, plan to transport, emergency access points and routes</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Use COVID Marshals and COVID Safety Officers	Designated COVID Marshals supported by security will monitor implementation of COVID Safe measures
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Manage staff and Event Contractors/Vendors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to event site is managed via accreditation process for all workforce, paid and volunteer, media, sponsors, VIPs, exhibitors - COVID Compliance Officer appointed to conduct reviews and audits of COVID Safe processes - COVID Safe training provided to all staff and contractors through induction - Contractors are required by contract to comply with COVID Safe measures - Daily briefings and toolbox talks <p>Food outlets required to provide their own COVID safe plan to Summernats organisers</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Manage key activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COVID plan developed with the ability to scale it back or up dependent on current situation - COVID Safe event camping - Average of 3,200 attendees camp on site for 2022 camping will be restricted to 2,500 people - 1,000 staff on site, including Summernats staff, security, traders/exhibitors, contractors, entertainers, EPIC staff, Access Canberra staff, Media, Fire Crew, Medical, Police - Significant stakeholder communication and engagement will be conducted in the lead up to the event - Event Control communication structure provided - Detailed overview of how Event Control coordinates event <p>Deliveries will be outside of event hours only</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity of event organisers to implement COVID safety measures. • Are there any other factors of concern (ie economic, transport) • Is the event culturally, socially, economically significant? • Any concerns with previous similar events? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Event organisers are experienced in running similar COVID Safe events in other jurisdictions. No concerns raised. - Economically significant event

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	Current situation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local • National • Restrictions in place • Capacity to contact trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Event exemptions team has flagged with the organisers regarding the new COVID-19 variant of concern within Australia. The event exemptions team have reminded the organisers to ensure they continue to monitor the situation in relation to domestic and international travel restrictions, noting these may change at any time. • The event exemptions team has also asked the organisers to consider how the event may need to be adapted if the situation changes and there is a need to tighten restrictions again.

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Summernats Car Festival - 4 – 9 January 2022			
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