

Attention:- Director, Industry,
Key Sites and Social
Projects.

Lesley Lane
'Tallowfield'
192 Clarke St,
Pindimar
4th May, 2014.

Dear Ms Goward,



Application Name: Proposed Pindimar Abalone Farm

Application: MP 10-0006

I object to the proposed Pindimar Abalone Farm in the strongest terms possible.

Declaration: I declare I have not made any political donations in the previous two years

These are the reasons why I am totally opposed to this Abalone Farm.

***I am the next door neighbour of this proposed intensive, industrial feed lot.**

In Australia Land Based Abalone Farms are 10 kilometers and more away from the nearest residence.

*Port Stephens Marine Park water will be used for private gain. Port Stephens belongs to the Public. The port takes 12-14 days to flush, longer in a large rain event.

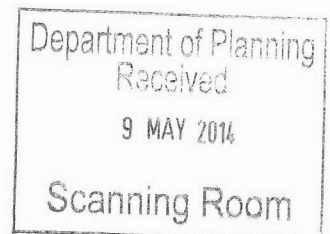
*50 megalitres of marine water will be drawn in and discharged every day. This is 20 olympic sized swimming pools every day, seven days a week, 365 days every year. This is totally unacceptable.

*Port Stephens water is estuarine not oceanic. (reference Port Stephens_ Great Lakes Marine Park Zoning Planning User Guide) All Land Based Abalone Farms are on ocean outfalls with access to cool/cold water which is critical for Abalone growth.

*This will set a precedent of industrialization of this unique port.

***Pollution of the port is inevitable!** In the EA the proponents admit there will be massive amounts of nitrogen dumped into the water along with waste, uneaten food and abalone larvae that have not been caught in the filter screens. (potential for spread of disease).

Governments are on notice about duty of care and a breach of that duty may be found in the context of alleged negligence by the state.



***This is not in the Public interest.**

*We, the community defeated a previous DA fair and square in the Land and Environment Court of NSW in March,2007.

*The social impact far outweighs the profit of this massive 5 hectare development

*Long term financial estimates make this a very questionable enterprise (costings done)

***Noise** would be intolerable as there is **NO** noise **Now....**

*Impact of industrial lighting on residences less than 300 metres away. No lights now.

*Jobs of tens of hundreds of PS I Love You Tourism employees will be at risk as opposed to maybe 15 at the site.

***Ruin the Port** and you risk ruin to our vibrant and high employment tourism sector that has a huge future.

***This DA has NO future. It is in the wrong place.**

Concerns for "Tallowfield" Wildlife Refuge.

Declaration enclosed.

In Appendix 13 Statement of Effect on Threatened Flora and Fauna Species by Wildthing Environmental Consultants they state ad infinitum there will be
'little or no impact'
'it's not applicable under the act' (The Acts referenced are out of date)
The proposal was considered unlikely to have any impact on ECC or endangered species found on site.

Fact

Please see enclosed photos of vulnerable and endangered Koala and Glossy Black-Cockatoo. (NSW Scientific Committee 2007-2009)

They are here!

The report was incredibly dismissive of the evidence of these two rare species.

Did they do a proper report or just cut and paste information to suit the proponent.

This company"s track record is questionable to say the least.

This development **will** adversely affect the survival of a multitude of plants and animals.

*This proposed industrial development is in the subregion (Fame Bundabah) wildlife corridor. (Refer to Figure 2)

*The perceived use of 'Tallowfield's' untouched and protected biodiversity as an offset in an effort to compensate and justify the destruction of magnificent tracts of land is unacceptable in the extreme.

Reference Appendix 13,

'however taking into account the relatively large amount of suitable surrounding habitat....'

Removal of food bearing mature trees, old growth trees with hollows,,underscrubing and thinning **will** compromise the integrity of 'Tallowfield Wildlife Refuge'.

This site is bounded by Fame Cove Myall Lakes National Park, Great Lakes Port Stephens Marine Sanctuary Zone,Corrie Island' RAMSAR 'listed Nature Reserve, SEPP14 Wetlands,Endangered Ecological Communities and 'Tallowfield Wildlife Refuge'.

To protect the Public Interest the State must refuse this proposal in it's entirety!

Footnote: Misleading the Public

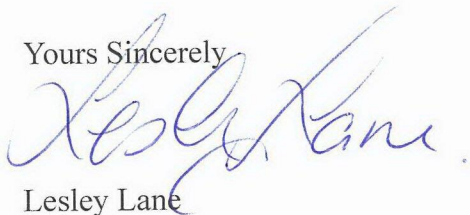
The title of the proposed development P indimar Abalone Farm is totally misleading.

It should have been Pindimar Land Based Abalone Farm!

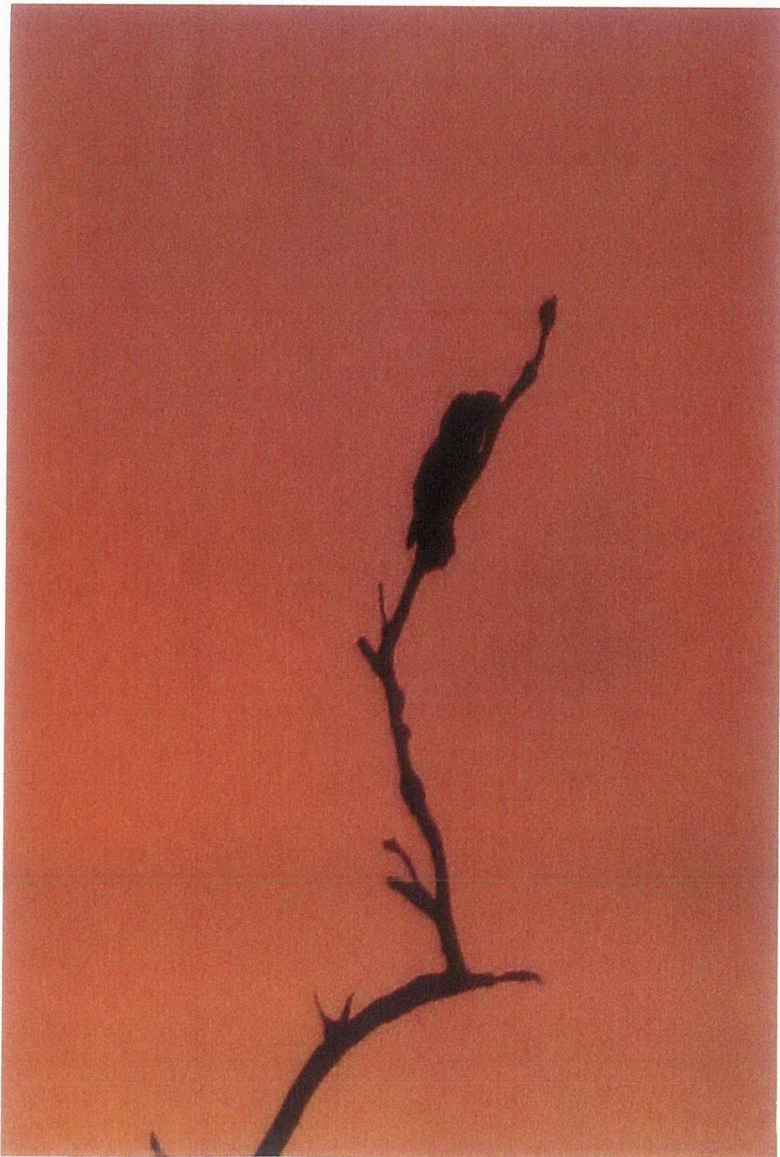
Misinformation:

Appendix 13 states pipes will have to 'bend' around trees in EEC of swamp forest however in Appendix 2 Sorensen Piping and Outlet Plan the pipes run in a straight line therefore conservation is jeopardized.

Yours Sincerely



Lesley Lane



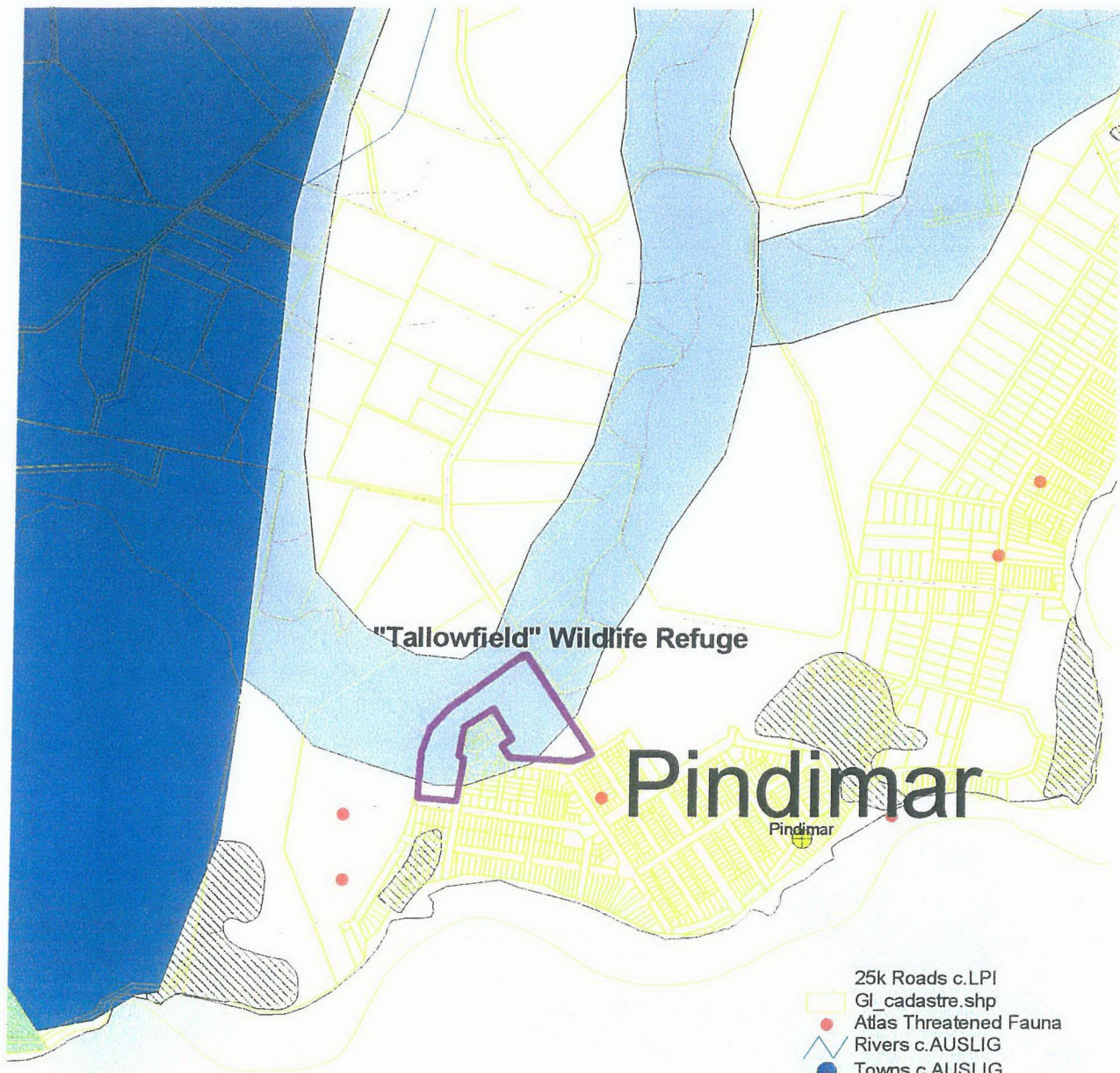
Glossy Black-Cockatoo
 Photographed on
 "Tallowfield"
 30/4/14.

Many sightings
 recorded in Swamp
 Forest.

Photographed on 'Tallowfield' 29/10/13

Koala





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- Atlas Threatened Fauna
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- Towns c.AUSLIG
- Corridors.shp
- regional
- subregional
- State Forest
- SEPP 14 Coastal Wetland c.DUAP
- Major Rivers c.AUSLIG
- Coast & Estuaries c.LPI
- Coast & Rivers c.LPI
- NPWS Estate Boundaries
- NATIONAL PARK
- NATURE RESERVE
- STATE CONSERVATION AREA
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- Land
- Water

Figure 2

Tallowfield Wildlife Refuge Great Lakes



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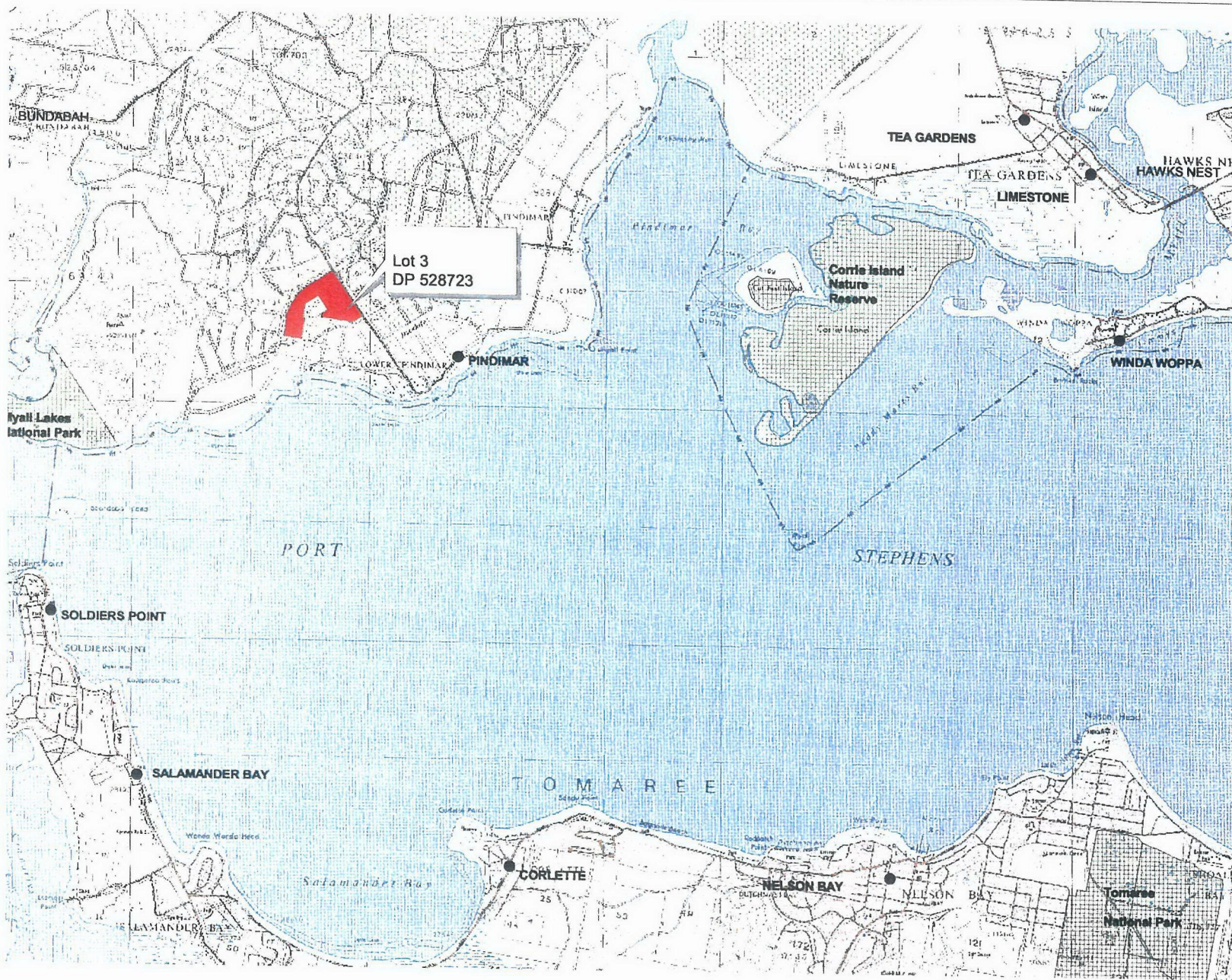
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PROJECTION: AMG Zone 56 (AGD66)



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NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE ACT, 1974

PROCLAMATION


I, Professor MARIE BASHIR, A.C., Governor of the State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council and in pursuance of the powers vested in me under Section 68 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974, with the consent of every owner and occupier do, on the recommendation of the Director-General of the Department of Environment and Conservation, by this my Proclamation declare the lands described hereunder to be a wildlife refuge for the purposes of the abovementioned Act.

To be known as "Tallowfield Wildlife Refuge"

SIGNED and SEALED at Sydney this 13th day of April 2005.


MARIE BASHIR
Governor

By Her Excellency's Command


BOB DEBUS

Minister for the Environment

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Description

Land District – Gloucester

Council – Great Lakes

County of Gloucester, Parish of Coweambah, 16.34 hectares, being lot 3, DP 528723. NPWS 05/02105.