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Ms Jenny Nichols,
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Dear Jenny,

Thank you for your enquiry regarding the process regarding Aboriginal heritage assessment over the North Cooranbong Urban investigation lands.

I am pleased to inform you that the work was undertaken in 2003 in accordance with the appropriate guidelines and best practice at the time.

The work was undertaken for a rezoning and was received and assessed not only by Lake Macquarie Council but was accepted and examined by the NPWS Cultural heritage unit of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

The purpose was to determine areas that could be developed without impact on Aboriginal cultural items. The development proposal was then formulated around any heritage constraints. This proposal was further examined by this archaeologist and the Aboriginal Community

The rigorous assessment with representatives of the Aboriginal community and Koombahtoo Aboriginal Land Council concluded that the rezoning proposal was not going to impact on Aboriginal Objects or Places and that development within the identified development areas could proceed without the need for further assessment.

It is concluded that the studies for the rezoning have met the requirements for Aboriginal heritage assessment for any development application not only to Lake Macquarie Council but any part 3a application.

Kind regards,

Archaeologist