

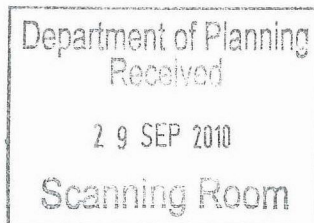


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Attention: Ms Megan Fu



27 September 2010

Dear Mr Cavallo

RE: Bloomfield Concept Plan, Orange LGA (MP10_0021) Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

I refer to your letter dated 26 August 2010 requesting the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) make a written submission to the Department of Planning regarding the Exhibition of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Bloomfield Concept Plan – subdivision project (the Project).

DECCW has reviewed the EA and notes that it generally addresses the Director General's Requirements (DGR's) for the Project and therefore the majority of issues related to DECCW's area of responsibility. DECCW does however have the following comments to make:

- **Construction Impacts – Construction Noise:** The EA, at Section 9.11 Noise, incorrectly references the Environment Protection Authority's Environmental Noise Control Manual and therefore identifies incorrect construction hours. The Environmental Noise Control Manual has been superseded by numerous other NSW Government endorsed policies, including the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009) which identifies differing construction hours. DECCW recommends that the Department of Planning apply as a Condition of Approval the construction hours identified in the Interim Construction Noise Guideline and that the proponent subsequently updates the Draft Statement of Commitments; and
- **Construction Impacts – Surface Water (Erosion and Sediment Control):** The EA does not appear to have adequately addressed DGR 9, sub-point 5 (plans of the proposed sediment and erosion controls during construction). DECCW recommends that the Department of Planning apply as a Condition of Approval the requirement for the proponent to develop an Erosion and Sediment Control sub-plan to the Construction Environmental Management Plan, incorporating the principles of the DECCW endorsed publication, Managing Urban Stormwater: Solis and Construction (2004).

Should you have any enquiries in relation to this matter please contact Matthew Corradin at the Bathurst Office of the DECCW by telephoning (02) 6332 7603.

Yours sincerely

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