



## Office of Water

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**Attention: Michael Woodland**

Dear Mr Woodland,

**Subject: Environmental Assessment – Mixed Use Development 78-90 Old  
Canterbury Road, Lewisham (MP08\_0195)**

I refer to your letter dated the 15 November 2010 seeking the NSW Office of Water's (NOW) comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the concept plan for a mixed use development at Lewisham. NOW has reviewed the EA and our comments are outlined as follows.

NOW has reviewed the Environmental Assessment and identified a number of environmental matters that require consideration by the Department of Planning in its assessment of the project application. These issues are outlined in Attachment A.

NOW has also provided for consideration recommended conditions of approval in Attachment B, should the Minister for Planning determine the application by granting project approval.

If you require further information please contact Christie Jackson on (02) 6701 9652.

Yours sincerely,

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**MP08 0195 – MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT, LEWISHAM**  
**NSW OFFICE OF WATER COMMENTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**Groundwater:**

The EA does not include any information of groundwater in the area so it is unclear if groundwater will be intercepted by any of the associated works, in particular the basement carpark or the on site detention tank.

If groundwater will be intercepted and if any dewatering is required as part of the construction of the basement carpark and on-site detention storage tank then a licence under Part 5 of the *Water Act 1912* is required, accompanied by a groundwater monitoring plan.

All monitoring bores associated with the project must be licenced under Part 5 of the *Water Act 1912* with all Form A's submitted to NOW for our records.

**Water Licencing:**

The site is located within the area currently administered under the *Water Act 1912*, therefore licencing requirements will be governed under the Act, until a Water Sharing Plan under the *Water Management Act 2000* is gazetted for the area.

A search of NOW's water licencing database reveals no water licences on the area in question. If any monitoring are on site or are proposed to be drilled then water licences will need to be obtained by the proponent prior to drilling.

**End Attachment A**  
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**NSW OFFICE OF WATER RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

1. In regard to taking or interfering with groundwater, a number of conditions apply:
  - a. All groundwater licences for monitoring bores must be obtained and associated works appropriately authorised prior to works commencing. All Form A's associated with the construction of bores must be submitted to NOW at the time drilling is undertaken.
  - b. For all areas on the site that require dewatering, a water licence under Part 5 of the *Water Act 1912* should be obtained prior to commencement of work. This water licence application must be accompanied by a groundwater and excavation monitoring program and acid sulphate soils contingency plan, developed to the satisfaction of NOW.
2. To aid in the protection of receiving water source quality, all stormwater runoff must be adequately treated at its source and/ or diverted through the stormwater treatment process designed for the site, prior to the stormwater being discharged to surface water and groundwater sources.

**End Attachment B**  
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