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Health Infrastructure
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Attn: Elizabeth Lau

Dear Elizabeth,

RE: Status of bush fire prone land – Muswellbrook Hospital Stage 3 Redevelopment

Peterson Bushfire was engaged to advise whether compliance with the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) document 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019' and a Bushfire Assessment Report was required for proposed works at Muswellbrook Hospital located at Brentwood Street, Muswellbrook.

Compliance with 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019' is required if the lot on which the proposed development is located contains 'bush fire prone land' as mapped by the local council. A check on the NSW Government 'ePlanning Spatial Viewer' confirms that the hospital property and the lots involved are not affected by the bush fire prone land mapping (refer to Figure 1 on the following page). The closest mapped bush fire prone land is located over 260 m to the east.

Assessment and compliance in accordance with 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019' is therefore not required. A Bushfire Assessment Report is also not required.

Figure 1: Bush fire prone land mapping in relation to Muswellbrook Hospital

A desk-top assessment of the lands surrounding the hospital was also undertaken to assess if there were any bushfire hazards that may be located within 100 m of the hospital that were inadvertently not identified on the bush fire prone land map. All surrounding lands to a distance of at least 100 m consist of managed properties and roads and do not present a bushfire hazard as defined by 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019'. Assessment and compliance in accordance with 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019' is therefore not required.

Please contact me on the number below if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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