Notice of decision

Section 2.22 and clause 20 of Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and* Assessment Act 1979

Application type	Development Application
Application number	DA 21/15136 – Snowmaking infrastructure and associated works, Sundowner Ski Run
and project name	and adjacent to the top station of the Gunbarrel Chairlift and adjacent to the bottom
	station of Antons T-bar, Thredbo Village, Thredbo Alpine Resort
Applicant	Kosciuszko Thredbo Pty Ltd
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning

Decision

The Team Leader of the Alpine Resorts Team under delegation from the Minister for Planning has, under s.4.16 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (**the Act**) granted consent to the development application subject to the recommended conditions and any additional conditions.

A copy of the development consent and conditions is available: <u>https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/daex/determined</u>

A copy of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Assessment Report is available: <u>https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/daex/determined</u>

Date of decision

10 February 2022

Reasons for decision

The following matters were taken into consideration in making this decision:

- the relevant matters listed in section 4.15 of the Act and the additional matters listed in the statutory context section of the Department's Assessment Report;
- the prescribed matters under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000;
- the objects of the Act;
- all information submitted to the Department during the assessment of the development application and any additional information considered in the Department's Assessment Report;
- the findings and recommendations in the Department's Assessment Report; and
- the views of the community about the project (see Attachment 1).

The findings and recommendations set out in the Department's Assessment Report were accepted and adopted as the reasons for making this decision.

The key reasons for granting consent to the development application are as follows:

- the project is permissible with development consent under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Kosciuszko National Park – Alpine Resorts) 2007 and is consistent with NSW Government policies including the South East and Tableland Region Plan 2036 aim to increase visitation to NSW ski resorts;
- the impacts on the community and the environment can be appropriately minimised or managed to an
 acceptable level, in accordance with applicable NSW Government policies and standards. The consent
 authority has imposed conditions relating to construction standards, environmental considerations, post
 construction certification and rehabilitation;
- no issues were raised by the community during exhibition of the proposal; and
- weighing all relevant considerations, the project is in the public interest.

Attachment 1 – Consideration of Community Views

The Department's Community Participation Plan, November 2019, prepared in accordance with schedule 1 of the Act requires applications for nominated integrated development to be exhibited for a period of 28 days. The Department exhibited the application between 3 November 2021 and 1 December 2021.

The Natural Resources Access Regulator provided comments pursuant to section 4.46 (integrated development) of the Act as a Controlled Activity Approval under the *Water Management Act 2000* is required for the development to be carried out (works are proposed within 40 metres of tributaries of Merritts Creek).

Comments were also received from the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

The issues raised by the Natural Resources Access Regulator and the National Parks and Wildlife Service are addressed in detail in the Department's Assessment Report.

There were no community views that needed to be taken into consideration in making this decision. No issues were raised by the community and no public submissions were received during the exhibition period.