

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 and project name	DA 25/19503 – Schuss BD2 Mountain Bike Trail (Lot 876 Deposited Plan 1243112), Thredbo Alpine Resort, Kosciuszko National Park
Applicant	Kosciuszko Thredbo Pty Ltd
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

Decision

The Team Leader, Assessments of the Alpine Resorts Team under delegation from the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 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.

A copy of the development consent and conditions is available:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/development-assessment/state-significant-applications/projects/state-development-applications>

A copy of the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure's Assessment Report is available:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/development-assessment/state-significant-applications/projects/state-development-applications>

Date of decision

10 April 2026

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 2021*;
- 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 (Precincts - Regional) 2021* and is consistent with NSW Government policies including the Draft *South East and Tableland Region Plan 2041* aim to support visitation to NSW ski resorts during the summer period;
- 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 the assessment of the proposal; and
- weighing all relevant considerations, the project is considered to be in the public interest.

Attachment 1 – Consideration of Community Views

The Department's Community Participation Plan, dated September 2025, prepared in accordance with Schedule 1 of the EP&A Act, generally requires applications to be exhibited for a period of fourteen (14) days. However, applications within the Alpine Region are not required to be public exhibited if the proposal meets the exemptions of Appendix 1 of the CPP.

The works relate to the construction of a new mountain bike trail and associated vegetation clearing that does not impact a biodiversity-mapped area. In accordance with Appendix 1 of the CPP, the application did not require public exhibition.

The Department placed the application on the NSW Planning Portal website to make applications publicly available, consistent with the intent of the CPP.

Pursuant to s. 4.27 of the Precincts - Regional SEPP the application was also referred to the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) for land within an alpine resort within KNP.

Comments were received from the NPWS, which have been considered and 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 as no issues were raised by the community during the assessment of the application.