

Graincorp Operations Limited
C/- NSW Department of Planning, Housing and
Infrastructure
4 Parramatta Square
12 Darcy Street
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

REFERENCE

DE-2026/38

Date

14 April 2026

Dear Sir/Madam

Development	Graincorp Bulk Liquids Terminal Repurposing Project (DA26/26258) - Alterations and additions to the existing Graincorp Bulk Liquids Terminal to enable export and storage of alternate types of combustible liquids - Request to provide advice
Location	Lot 70 DP 1182824 Lot 12 DP 1182111 Lot 20 DP 1046295 Lot 2001 DP 1030233 Grain Terminal Tom Thumb Road PORT KEMBLA NSW 2505

Thank you for the opportunity for Council to provide comment on the proposed development as described above.

Council understands that NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure is seeking feedback from Council to review and make a submission in relation to a proposal to Alterations and additions to the existing Graincorp Bulk Liquids Terminal.

General support is provided for the proposed modifications to the existing and approved Bulk Liquids Terminal (BLT) at the GrainCorp Port Kembla Shipping Terminal.

The proposal seeks to facilitate a transition of BLT operations to primarily support export shipping activities through the storage of animal and vegetable-based liquids, including tallow and used cooking oil (UCO), while retaining the ability to accommodate import operations where required. This represents a change in the type of liquids stored and the operational focus of the facility, rather than an expansion of the approved terminal footprint or broadening of its industrial use.

In principle, the proposal aligns with the established and approved port-related industrial function of the site. The continued use of the BLT for bulk liquid storage associated with shipping activities is consistent with the strategic role of Port Kembla and the historical operation of the facility, noting that current approvals allow for the storage of mineral oils associated with imports.

Subject to satisfactory consideration of detailed environmental, operational, and amenity impacts as part of the full assessment, particularly with respect to biosecurity, odour, traffic, and operational management, the proposal is generally supported from a strategic land-use and planning perspective.

Environment

NSW EPA is appropriate regulatory authority (ARA) for operation of bulk liquid terminal. Applicant has submitted following plans and report for construction of addition storage at bulk liquid terminal:

- Soil and water management plan prepared by SMEC Consulting the includes WSUD during construction and operational phase: and
- acoustic reports by Acoustic Logic for construction and operational phase.

It is recommended applicant is encouraged to incorporate SEPP Sustainability principles in line with the NSW government Net Zero target.

Traffic

The development site is accessed directly from the State Classified Road network, which ensures that large vehicle movements remain within the higher order State Roads, away from residential areas. The roads and relevant intersections are appropriately designed to accommodate the development generated traffic (large trucks).

In terms of traffic generation, the construction works, and operational traffic are unlikely to have any impact on the operation of nearby intersections.

Inbound trucks will need to travel to the site via the grain weighbridge before and after unloading. The Traffic Impact Assessment states that vehicles travelling into the site are unlikely to result in any vehicle queuing due to the frequency of vehicle movement and the amount of queuing space available.

Swept paths show that B-doubles are able to travel through the site without impacting on any solid obstructions.

There is space available for staff car parking on site, and bicycle parking will be provided adjacent to the grain terminal for any workers that might choose to cycle instead of driving to the site (Springhill Road has a shared path infrastructure for cyclists). It will be important to condition the type of bicycle facilities to be secure, with adequate weather protection. End of trip facilities should also be provided (showers and lockers), to encourage sustainable travel for employees.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact me on the telephone number below.

This letter is authorised by

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