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Our ref: PP_2015_URALL_001_00 (15/05910)
Your ref: U12/6915

Dear Mr Connor

Planning proposal to amend Uralla Local Environmental Plan 2012

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 24 March 2015 requesting a Gateway determination under section 56 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) in respect of the planning proposal to amend the Uralla amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 Flood Planning Map.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning, I have now determined the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the attached Gateway determination.

Plan making powers were delegated to councils by the Minister in October 2012. It is noted that Council has requested to be issued with delegation for this planning proposal. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have decided to issue an authorisation for Council to exercise delegation to make this plan.

The amending LEP is to be finalised within 9 months of the week following the date of the Gateway determination. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request to draft and finalise the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office 6 weeks prior to the projected publication date. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment for administrative purposes.

The State Government is committed to reducing the time taken to complete LEPs by tailoring the steps in the process to the complexity of the proposal, and by providing clear and publicly available justification for each plan at an early stage. In order to meet these commitments, the Minister may take action under section 54(2)(d) of the EP&A Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, I have arranged for Mr Craig Diss of the Department's regional office to assist you. Mr Diss can be contacted on (02) 6701 9685.

Yours sincerely

 15 April 2015
Stephen Murray
General Manager, Northern Region
Planning Services

Encl:
Gateway Determination
Written Authorisation to Exercise Delegation
Attachment 5 – Delegated Plan Making Reporting Template



Gateway Determination

Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP_2015_URALL_001_00): to amend the Uralla LEP 2012 Flood Planning Map.

I, the General Manager, Northern Region at the Department of Planning and Environment as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) that an amendment to the Uralla Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 to amend the Uralla LEP 2012 Flood Planning Map should proceed subject to the following conditions:

1. Community consultation is required under sections 56(2)(c) and 57 of the EP&A Act as follows:
 - (a) the planning proposal must be made publicly available for a minimum of **28 days**; and
 - (b) the relevant planning authority must comply with the notice requirements for public exhibition of planning proposals and the specifications for material that must be made publicly available along with planning proposals as identified in section 5.5.2 of *A Guide to Preparing LEPs* (Department of Planning and Infrastructure 2013).
2. Consultation is required with the Office of Environment and Heritage – Floodplain Unit under section 56(2)(d) of the EP&A Act. The Office of Environment and Heritage – Floodplain Unit is to be provided with a copy of the planning proposal and any relevant supporting material, and given at least 21 days to comment on the proposal.
3. A public hearing is not required to be held into the matter by any person or body under section 56(2)(e) of the EP&A Act. This does not discharge Council from any obligation it may otherwise have to conduct a public hearing (for example, in response to a submission or if reclassifying land).
4. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be **9 months** from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.
5. Prior to public exhibition an updated time line detailing the tasks associated with an authorisation to exercise plan making delegations shall be included in the planning proposal.

Dated 15th day of April 2015


Stephen Murray
General Manager, Northern Region
Planning Services
Department of Planning and Environment

Delegate of the Minister for Planning



WRITTEN AUTHORISATION TO EXERCISE DELEGATION

Uralla Shire Council is authorised to exercise the functions of the Minister for Planning under section 59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* that are delegated to it by instrument of delegation dated 14 October 2012, in relation to the following planning proposal:

Number	Name
PP_2015_URALL_001_00	Planning proposal to amend the Uralla LEP 2012 Flood Planning Map

In exercising the Minister's functions under section 59, the Council must comply with the Department of Planning and Environment's "*A guide to preparing local environmental plans*" and "*A guide to preparing planning proposals*".

Dated *15 April* 2015


Stephen Murray
General Manager, Northern Region
Planning Services
Department of Planning and Environment

Delegate of the Minister for Planning