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HASTINGS

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The Regional Director (North Coast)  
Department of Planning  
PO Box 9022  
**GRAFTON NSW 2460**

Dear Sir

**Conversion to New LEP Process  
Draft Amendment to Hastings LEP 2001 – Birdon Marine**

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Further to the Planning Circular *PS10-002 Changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 - draft LEPs notified to the Director-General before 1 July 2009*, Council seeks approval to convert the above draft LEP to a planning proposal under Part 3 of the Act.

The intent of the draft LEP is to rezone rural land adjoining the Hastings River to permit future integrated marine-related industry. The land is identified in the MNC Regional Strategy and the proposal is consistent with the *PMH Industrial Land Strategy 2007* and recommendations of Council's recently exhibited draft *PMH Urban Growth Management Strategy 2010*.

On 11 November 2007, the Department issued advice that sections 57 and 61 of the Act will not apply and required that consultation be undertaken with various State Government authorities. Following receipt of a concept plan from the applicant to assist in consideration of the proposal, consultation with the State Government authorities took place at the end of 2009. Since that time, the applicant has been undertaking additional work to address the issues raised.

The estimated timeframe for completion is by the end of 2011.

On this basis, it is requested that the subject draft LEP be commenced at section 56 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Should you require any additional information, please contact the undersigned on telephone 02 6581 8111, or email [peter.cameron@pmhc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:peter.cameron@pmhc.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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