

Mr Andrew Hopkins General Manager Cabonne Council PO Box 17 MOLONG NSW 2866 16/02936

Attention: Heather Nicolls - Director Environmental

Services

Dear Mr Hopkins

Re: Planning proposal (PP_2015_CABON_002_00) to amend Cabonne Local Environmental Plan 2012 – Amendment 3 – Lot 2 DP 794456, 1099 Ophir Road, Summer Hill Creek, Orange – Condition No. 1

I am writing in response to Council's letter dated 8 February 2016 regarding the abovementioned planning proposal.

In accordance with Condition 1 of the Gateway determination issued on 1 December 2015, I acknowledge that Council has consulted with NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) and has provided adequate information to satisfy this condition. It is now considered that consistency with Section 117 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection has been satisfied. No further work is required in relation to this matter.

Cabonne Council may proceed with community consultation of the planning proposal in accordance with the remaining conditions of the Gateway determination. Please place this letter on exhibition as part of the community consultation package.

However the Department notes that RFS has indicated concerns about the current proposed subdivision design in relation to lot layout and the absence of through-road access. It is recommended that Council continue to work with the RFS to satisfy these concerns.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Jenna McNabb of the Western Region office in Dubbo to assist you. Ms McNabb can be contacted on 02 6841 2180.

Yours sincerely

Ashley Albury

General Manager, Western Region

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