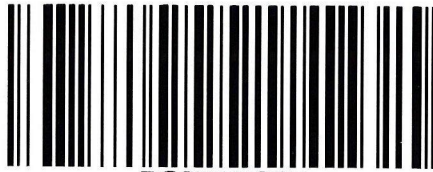


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The Regional Director (North Coast)
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Dear Sir

**Conversion to New LEP Process
Draft Port Macquarie-Hastings (Area 15 Camden Haven)
Local Environmental Plan 2010: CHUGS Urban Release**

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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 Draft Port Macquarie-Hastings (Area 15 Camden Haven) Local Environmental Plan 2010 to a planning proposal under Part 3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Draft Port Macquarie-Hastings (Area 15 Camden Haven) Local Environmental Plan 2010 is a free standing LEP prepared in accordance with the Standard Instrument order. The LEP intends to release urban land consistent with the Camden Haven Urban Growth Strategy 2002. The land is identified in the MNC Regional Strategy and draft Port Macquarie-Hastings urban Growth Strategy.

The Department of Planning has issued a section 65 certificate. Council is finalising voluntary planning agreements with landowners in Area 15 and the LEP is expected to commence exhibition in November 2010.

It is anticipated that the draft LEP will be submitted to the Department for approval in February 2011.

On this basis, it is requested that Draft Port Macquarie-Hastings (Area 15 Camden Haven) Local Environmental Plan 2010 be commenced at s57(4) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 Act.

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