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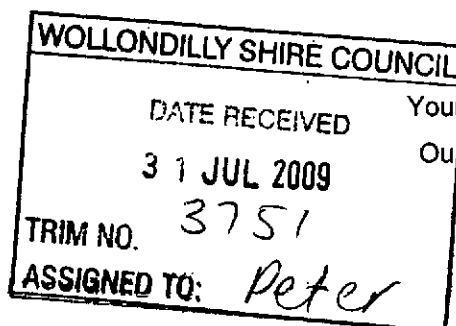
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Attention: Peter Wright



Your Ref: 3751 ET:KC
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28 July 2009

Dear Mr Wright,

Re: Draft Wollondilly LEP Local Environmental Plan (Amendment No.75)

I refer to your letter dated 3 July 2009 seeking our advice in accordance with Section 62 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* for the above Local Environmental Plan (LEP).

The NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) notes that the subject area is identified as bush fire prone on the Wollondilly Bush Fire Prone Land Map. Development applications for all development on bushfire-prone lands will be required to comply with either Section 79BA of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* or Section 100B of the *Rural Fires Act 1997* depending upon the nature of the proposed development.

In relation to future commercial, industrial or other development uses (excluding residential or Special Fire Protection Purpose development) on bushfire-prone land it is suggested that the aims and objectives of *Planning for Bushfire Protection 2006* be considered in the planning stages of these developments. Consideration of the aim and objectives includes the following:

Aim

- The protection of human life (including fire fighters) and to minimise impacts on property from the threat of bush fire, while having due regard to development potential, on-site amenity and protection of the environment;

Objectives

- Afford occupants of any building adequate protection from exposure to a bush fire;
- Provide for a defensible space to be located around buildings;

- Provide appropriate separation between a hazard and buildings which, in combination with other measures, prevent direct flame contact and material ignition;
- Ensure that safe operational access and egress for emergency service personnel and residents is available;
- Provide for ongoing management and maintenance of bush fire protection measures, including fuel loads in the asset protection zone (APZ); and
- Ensure that utility services are adequate to meet the needs of fire fighters (and others assisting in bush fire fighting).

For any enquiries regarding this correspondence, please contact Michael Murrell.

Yours sincerely

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Nika Fomin

Team Leader Development Assessment and Planning