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Dear Mr Macdonald

Planning proposals PP_2019_RICHM_002_00 and PP_2019_RICHM_003_00

I refer to Council's correspondence seeking an extension of time to complete the following planning proposals:

- PP_2019_RICHM_002_00 to rezone Lots 100 to 111 DP 755627 Bruxner Highway, Casino, from RU1 Primary Production to IN1 General Industrial and apply a 750m² minimum lot size; and
- PP_2019_RICHM_003_00 to rezone land at Johnstone Street, Casino, from RU1 Primary Production to IN1 General Industrial and amend the minimum lot size from 40 hectares to 750m².

I have determined as the delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 3.34(7) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, to alter the Gateway determinations:

- PP 2019 RICHM 002 00 (since altered) dated 4 April 2019; and
- PP_2019_RICHM_003_00 dated 21 June 2019.

The Alteration of Gateway determinations are enclosed.

The Department is committed to assist you in delivering these employment land releases, and I appreciate that the limitations surrounding existing flooding information has prevented Council from completing the planning proposals to date.

As it is understood that progression of the planning proposals is uncertain and relies on potential grant funding to undertake further flood modelling, an extension only to 21 January 2020 has been provided. It is considered that this will provide a sufficient period for Council to confirm the availability of funding, appoint a consultant (if successful) and provide a realistic estimate for completion of the LEP.

At that time, if Council is unable to demonstrate that an outcome can be achieved within a reasonable timeframe, it is unlikely that further time extensions will be supported, and the proposals should be withdrawn and then re-submitted when they are ready to proceed.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, I have arranged for Mr Jon Stone and Ms Lucy Walker to assist you. Mr Stone can be contacted on 5778 1488 and Ms Walker on 5778 1402.

Yours sincerely

16/10/2020

Jeremy Gray Director, Northern Region Local and Regional Planning

Encl: Alteration of Gateway determinations