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Attention: Susan Stannard, Senior Planner

Dear Ann

**Planning proposal PP\_2019\_WINGE\_006\_00 to amend Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan 2010**

I am writing in response to Council's request for a Gateway determination under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to amend the Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan 2010 to reclassify land off Rowland Road, Bowral to enable an access road to the proposed location of the Southern Highlands Regional Art Gallery.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, I have now determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed Gateway determination.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, in relation to section 9.1 Direction 6.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes, to the alteration of land for public purposes on the basis the proposal would facilitate access to the proposed location of the Southern Highlands Regional Art Gallery at significant benefit to the community. I have agreed that the planning proposal is consistent with all other relevant section 9.1 Directions and that no further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Secretary to comply with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection and Direction 5.2 Sydney Drinking Water Catchment. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made.

I have considered Council's request to be the local plan-making authority and have determined not to condition the Gateway for Council to be the local plan-making authority as it is proposed to remove the public reserve status of land which requires Governor's approval.

The amending local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 6 months of the date of the Gateway determination. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request for the Department of

Planning, Industry and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made eight weeks prior to the projected publication date.

The state government is committed to reducing the time taken to complete LEPs by tailoring the steps in the process to the complexity of the proposal, and by providing clear and publicly available justification for each plan at an early stage. In order to meet these commitments, the Minister may take action under section 3.32(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr Andrew Hartcher, Senior Planner, to assist you. Mr Hartcher can be contacted on 4247 1823

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Lees', with a stylized flourish at the end.

12 December 2019

**Sarah Lees**  
**Director, Southern Region**  
**Local and Regional Planning**

Encl: Gateway determination