



Mr John Bell
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Dear Mr Bell

Planning proposal PP_2018_ULACH_001_00 to amend Upper Lachlan 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 Upper Lachlan LEP 2010 to permit storage premises in the IN2 Light Industrial Zone.

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

It is noted that Council has requested to be authorised as the local plan-making authority. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have conditioned the Gateway for Council to be authorised as the local plan-making authority.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 12 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 to draft and finalise the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office 6 weeks prior to the projected publication date. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment.

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 further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Ann Martin to assist you. Ms Martin can be contacted on 4224 9466.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Lees', is positioned above the typed name.

15 May 2018

**Sarah Lees
Director Regions, Southern
Planning Services**