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PP-2021-4679 IRF22/1780

Attention: Sarah Armstrong, Manager, Strategic Planning

Dear Mr Cam,

Planning proposal (PP-2021-4679) - 540 Buckaroo Road, Buckaroo - Condition 1 partly satisfied and proceed to community consultation.

I refer to your correspondence in relation to planning proposal PP-2021-4679 amendment to the Mid-Western Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 to permit a bulk storage and reload facility (heavy industry) at 540 Buckaroo Road, Buckaroo.

Condition 1 of the Gateway determination issued on 26 November 2021 required consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service (NSWRFS) and the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) prior to undertaking community consultation.

It is noted that Council has received a response from EPA and is yet to receive a response from NSWRFS.

I have reviewed the information provided and can agree that condition 1 of the Gateway determination has been partly satisfied. Council may now proceed to community consultation as soon as possible as required by condition 2 of the Gateway determination.

A response is required from NSWRFS to satisfy the requirements of section 9.1 Ministerial Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection and any specific firefighting requirements for the proposed facility. Please continue to consult with NSWRFS through the community and agency consultation period to resolve the Ministerial Direction prior to finalising the Plan as required by Gateway determination condition 6 (b).

It is to be noted that the Plan is to be completed by 26 August 2022.

A copy of this letter, the planning proposal documentation, the Gateway determination dated 26 November 2021 and documents accompanying the planning proposal are to be included in the community consultation package.

If you have any more questions, please contact Tim Collins, Senior Planning Officer, Western Region, at the Department of Planning and Environment on 5852 6800.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Garnsey', with a stylized, cursive script.

26 May 2022

Wayne Garnsey
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