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Our ref: 13/10541
Your ref: PSC2006-1202

Dear Mr Gesling

Planning Proposal - PP_2012_PORTS_004_00 – Gateway Determination extension

I refer to Council's request of 18 June seeking an extension of time to complete the Planning Proposal PP_2012_PORTS_004_00 to rezone land at Wattle and Holdom Roads, Karuah.

I have determined as the delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 56(7) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, to amend the Gateway Determination dated 27 June for PP_2012_PORTS_004_00.

The Gateway Determination is amended by extending the time for the completion of the Planning Proposal by an additional 12 months. The Planning Proposal is now due for completion by 4 July 2014. Council is encouraged to liaise closely with the Office of Environment and Heritage to ensure there are no further delays with the conservation agreement.

It is noted that Port Stephens Council was issued with an authorisation to exercise plan making functions in relation to this Planning Proposal on 8 May 2013. Council's request for the Parliamentary Counsel's Office to draft and finalise the LEP should be made six weeks prior to the projected publication date. Council should consult the Parliamentary Counsel's website (www.pco.nsw.gov.au) to ensure all necessary information is provided in its request to draft the plan.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Dylan Meade of the Newcastle office on 4904 2718.

Yours sincerely


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