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LAKE MACQUARIS
CITY COUNCIL

General Manager Lake Macquarie City Council Box 1906 HUNTER REGION MAIL CENTRE NSW 2310

Attention: Mr Matthew Hill

TRANSFIELD AVENUE: DRAFT AMENDMENT No 59 TO LAKE MACQUARIE LEP 2004, EDGEWORTH

Dear Mr Hill

I refer to your email dated 19 September 2013, regarding the subject Draft Amendment No 59 to Lake Macquarie LEP 2004 forwarded to Roads and Maritime Services for consideration.

Roads and Maritime Responsibilities

Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime's primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues. In particular, the efficiency and safety of the classified road network, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport.

In accordance with the *Roads Act 1993*, Roads and Maritime has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. Minmi Road (7771) is an unclassified (Regional) road. RMS has the opportunity to comment within 21 days in accordance with the Gateway Determination issued by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, under section 56(2) (d) of the EP & A Act.

Roads and Maritime Response

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the information provided and would have no objections to the reclassification of the subject land from Zone 10 Investigation & Zone 5 Infrastructure to Zone 2(1) Residential & Zone 7(1) Conservation (Primary) in the subject Local Environmental Plan, provided the following matters are addressed and included in the Minister's conditions of approval:

 Provision shall be made for an arterial road connecting Frederick Street, Edgeworth with Minmi Road at Northlakes Drive, Edgeworth. This public road would remain in Council control.

Roads & Maritime Services

Comment: This is a critical link in relieving traffic congestion at the Main Road / Minmi Road intersection and has been planned by Council for some time. Roads and Maritime strongly supports this link road.

The following comments are also offered for Council's consideration:

- Section 117 (2) direction 3.4 (Integrating Land Use Development and Transport) under the
 Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, should be taken into account in relation
 to the provision of adequate access to public transport, especially for the elderly and
 opportunities for pedestrians and cyclists connections. The provision of alternative transport
 modes to private motor vehicles and the facilities required to encourage the use of these
 modes should be included in any corridor planning.
- Future developments should be designed such that the road traffic noise from classified (State) roads is mitigated, in accordance with the Department of Environment and Conservation's (DEC) criteria for new developments (*Environmental Criteria for Road Traffic Noise*). The RMS *Environmental Noise Management Manual* provides practical advice for selecting noise mitigating treatments. In this regard, the future developers, not the RMS, is responsible for providing noise attenuation measures in accordance with Environmental Protection Authority's, Environmental Criteria for Road Traffic Noise.

Please contact me on 4924 0688 if you require further advice.

Yours sincerely,

Dave Young

Manager Land Use

Hunter Region/