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Dear Mr Bell

Planning Proposal (PP_2011_LAKEM_009_00) – Gateway Determination alteration

I refer to your request of 7 September 2011 seeking an alteration to the Gateway Determination for Planning Proposal No. PP_2011_LAKEM_009_00, to remove the requirement for public exhibition.

I have determined as delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 56(7) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, to amend the Gateway Determination dated 29 August 2011 for Planning Proposal No. PP_2011_LAKEM_009_00, by removing conditions 1, 2 and 3, and replacing these with:

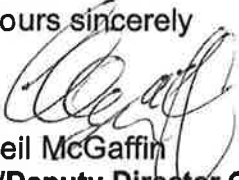
1. Community consultation is required under sections 56(2)(c) and 57 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act) as follows:
 - Targeted consultation with affected properties impacted by the heritage items identified in the proposed changes to Schedule 4 must be undertaken; and
 - Each land owner is to be given at least 21 days to comment on the proposal.

The requirement to re-exhibit the Planning Proposal has been removed in recognition of the previous public consultation undertaken under the former provisions of the EP&A Act. The Planning Proposal is still due for completion by May 2012 and Council's request for the Department to draft and finalise the Local Environmental Plan (LEP) should be made six weeks prior to the projected publication date.

I also wish to confirm that Council is not to amend the draft comprehensive SI LEP maps or schedules that were endorsed by the Director General on 23 June 2011 as a result of this Planning Proposal.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Ms Susan Blake of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure's Hunter Office on (02) 4904 2700.

Yours sincerely


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**A/Deputy Director General
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