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Attention: Paul Smith

Dear Mr Crockett

**Planning Proposal PP\_2012\_UPHUN\_004\_00 – Gateway Determination Extension**

I refer to Council's request for an extension of time to complete the Planning Proposal PP\_2012\_UPHUN\_004\_00 to rezone land from 1(i) Intensive Agriculture to 1(c) Rural Small Holdings under the Scone Local Environmental Plan 1986.

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 27 July 2012 for PP\_2012\_UPHUN\_004\_00.

I understand Council is currently considering the submissions received on this proposal, including concerns raised by the Department of Primary Industries. If Council requires any assistance in addressing these matters please do not hesitate to contact us.

To provide sufficient time for Council to consider the issues that have been raised, the Gateway Determination is amended to extend the time for completion of the Planning Proposal by an additional 6 months. The Planning Proposal is now due for completion by 7 February 2014.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Trent Wink, of the Department's Newcastle Office on (02) 4904-2716.

Yours sincerely

Michael Leavey  
Regional Director

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