



Office of the Director-General

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Att: Sarah Dasey

Dear Mr Gesling

**Planning Proposal (PP_2010_PORTS_015) Medowie Road, Medowie –
Gateway Determination Alteration – Timeframe Extension**

I refer to Council's request of 5 June 2012 seeking an extension of timeframe to complete Planning Proposal PP_2010_PORTS_015, to rezone land on Medowie Road, Medowie from 1(c) Rural Small Holdings to a mix of residential, environmental living and environmental management zones.

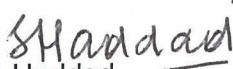
I have determined as the delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 56(7) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, to amend the Gateway Determination dated 23 December 2010 for PP_2010_PORTS_015. I have determined to amend the Gateway Determination by extending the timeframe for the completion of the Planning Proposal by an additional 12 months to enable Council to finalise the Planning Proposal by 30 June 2013.

To ensure that the timeframe for the completion of the Planning Proposal is achieved, Council is required to prepare and submit a project timetable to the Department's Regional Team for endorsement, within 1 month of the receipt of this letter. The timetable is to clearly identify the key tasks that are to be undertaken to progress the Planning Proposal. The Department's Regional Team will work with Council to ensure that the proposed timing can be achieved and identify where assistance from the Department may be needed to realise the desired outcomes of the Planning Proposal.

It is also noted that Port Stephens Council has prepared, but is yet to receive a Gateway Determination for the draft Standard Instrument Port Stephens LEP. Council should exhibit planning proposal PP_2010_PORTS_015 clearly identifying how it will amend both the existing Port Stephens LEP 2000 and the draft Standard Instrument Port Stephens LEP.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Ms Susan Blake of the Department's Newcastle Office on (02) 4904 2709.

Yours sincerely


Sam Haddad

Director-General

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