



Department of Planning and Environment

Our ref: IRF22/4360

Mr Chris Berry
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Dear Mr Berry

Planning proposal PP-2022- 4127 to amend Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013

I am writing in response to the planning proposal you have forwarded to the Minister under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) and additional information received on 28 March 2023 in respect of the planning proposal PP-2020-4127 to undertake housekeeping amendments to Yass Valley LEP 2023.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Places, I have determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed gateway determination.

As delegate of the Secretary, I have agreed that any inconsistency with Section 9.1 Direction 4.1 Flooding has been justified.

In relation to Direction 6.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes, I have agreed to the reduction/creation of land for public purposes on the basis that the changes are of minor significance.

No further approval is required in relation to the Directions.

Considering the nature of the planning proposal I have determined that Council may exercise local plan-making authority functions in relation to the planning proposal.

The proposed local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised on or before 5th October 2023. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Should Council seek to make a proposed LEP, the request to draft the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office well in advance of the date the LEP is projected to be made. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment.

The NSW Government has committed to reduce the time taken to complete LEPs. To meet these commitments, the Minister may appoint an alternate planning proposal authority if Council does not meet the timeframes outlined in the gateway determination.

The Department's categorisation of planning proposals in the *Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline* (Department of Planning and Environment, 2021) is supported by category specific timeframes for satisfaction of conditions and authority and Government agency referrals, consultation, and responses. Compliance with milestones will be monitored by the Department to ensure planning proposals are progressing as required.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr Graham Judge to assist you. Mr Judge can be contacted on 6229 7906.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Thompson', is displayed within a light blue rectangular box.

5/4/2023

Daniel Thompson
Director, Southern Region
Local and Regional Planning

Encl: Gateway determination