

Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure

Our ref: PP-2024-1693; IRF24/1953

Mr Peter Veneris General Manager Lockhart Shire Council PO Box 21 Lockhart NSW 2656

Dear Mr Veneris

Planning proposal (PP-2024-1693) to amend Junee Local Environmental Plan 2012

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 1 August 2024 in respect of the planning proposal to rezone and amend lot sizes at Waterworks Road to permit residential development.

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

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the inconsistency of the planning proposal with applicable directions of the Minister under section 9.1 of the Act 1.1 Implementation of Regional Plans, 5.1 Integrating Land Use and Transport, and 6.1 Residential Zones is justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Secretary to comply with the requirements of relevant applicable directions of the Minister under section 9.1 of the Act 4.4 Remediation of Contaminated Lands, 8.1 Mining, Petroleum and Extractive Industries and 9.1 Rural Zones. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the LEP being made.

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 27 June 2025. 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, Housing and Infrastructure.

Parliamentary Counsel's Office is not responsible for the drafting of map-only amendments to LEPs. Requests for legal drafting for map-only amendments must instead be sent to <u>mapinstrument.drafting@dpie.nsw.gov.au</u>. A copy should also be forwarded to <u>westernregion@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>. The request must include the drafting instruction template, planning proposal and gateway determination.

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, Housing and Infrastructure, August 2023) 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 Meredith McIntyre to assist you. Meredith can be contacted on 6229 7912.

Yours sincerely

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2/9/2024

Chantelle Chow Acting Director, Southern Western and Macarthur Region Local Planning and Council Support

Encl: Gateway determination