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1. Introduction

Fernway Engineering has been engaged by David Griffin to provide a Traffic Impact Assessment in relation to the proposed industrial subdivision development at 476 Macleay Valley Way in South Kempsey ('subject site').

This report is structured as follows:

- Section 2 Describes the existing transport conditions in the site locality and provides an overview of the proposed development;
- Section 3 Provides an estimate of the additional traffic volumes likely to be generated by the proposal;
- Section 4 Outlines the details of the required turn treatments for the proposed new intersection off Macleay Valley Way;
- Section 5 Reviews the layouts of the proposed access treatments, including swept path tests of the design vehicle;
- Section 6 Provides the summary and conclusions of the study.





2. Background

The subject site is located at 476 Macleay Valley Way in South Kempsey. It is a land that includes approx. 7.5 ha of land area and is located approximately 4.7 km south of Kempsey. The subject site is zoned part RU2 (Rural Landscape) and park E4 (General Industrial), under Kempsey Local Environmental Plan 2013. The land on the opposite side of Macleay Valley Way is zoned E3 (Productivity Support).

At the site frontage, Macleay Valley Way has a ~11 m wide sealed carriageway that provides one travel lane in each direction (each travel lane is approx. 3.5 m wide with a minimum 2m wide shoulder). A speed limit of 80 km/h applies to all traffic on Macleay Valley Way, at the site frontage. The site currently has one vehicular access point off Macleay Valley Way.

Figure 1 illustrates the location of the subject site in an aerial view.Figure 2 shows the local zoning map for the site and surrounds.Figure 3 shows the street view of Macleay Valley Way at the site frontage.

The crash history for the section of Macleay Valley Way at the site frontage was investigated using the crash data made available on the TfNSW's Centre for Road Safety website which provides 5-year crash data for the period between 2016 to 2020. **Figure 4** shows the crash map for the site locality. As can be seen from this map, there doesn't appear to be any history of crashes for this section of Macleay Valley Way.







Figure 1: Location of the subject site



Figure 2: Local zoning map







Figure 3: Macleay Valley Way at the site frontage



Figure 4: Local crash map



2.1 Proposed Development

The current proposal seeks to subdivide the subject site to provide 4 future industrial use lots and an access easement that connects with Macleay Valley Way along the existing vehicular driveway at the site. The proposed lot and easement layout plan for the subject site is shown in **Figure 5**.

The proposed areas allocated for each lot are:

- Lot 1 3.558 ha
- Lot 2 1.023 ha
- Lot 3 1.177 ha
- Lot 4 1.181 ha
- Total lot areas = 6.939 ha



Figure 5: Proposed subdivision layout plan



3. Traffic Impact

3.1 Traffic Generation

Given the current application is only for a subdivision of the site and the ultimate specific land use types or the floor areas for each lot are unavailable at this stage, use of the overall site land area is the most appropriate way to holistically forecast the trip generation potential of this proposal.

In particular, the traffic generation potential of the proposed development was forecast with the trip rates from the Guide to Traffic Generating Developments – Updated traffic surveys (TDT 2013/04a, Transport for NSW). It provides trip rate observations for business parks and industrial estates (the relevant section is extracted in **Appendix A**).

The above Guide provides site-level trip survey data for business parks and industrial estates. For forecasting the trip generation potential of the proposal, the survey results from the Johnson Street Business Park, Dubbo (Site 11) were used.

This was due to the size of this site being generally smaller than the rest of the sample sites (this site is 6.3 ha) and comparable to the proposed development site which has a total land area of 6.939 ha across 4 future lots.

Based on the survey results for the sample site, <u>a peak hour vehicle trip rate of 18.4</u> <u>trips/ha can be adopted in this instance</u>. On this basis, the proposed site with a total land area of 6.939 ha is expected to generate some 128 trips during the peak hour period. The peak hour period, based on the sample site, is expected to be between 3-4pm on weekdays.

3.2 Traffic Distribution

The above-determined peak hour vehicle trips will likely have a distribution of 50%/50% into and out of the site (as is the case for similar industrial sites). Therefore, there are expected to be 64 entry trips and 64 exit trips during the peak hour. These trips can be assumed to have an 80%/20% split in north and south directions (biased towards north





due to the proximity of Kempsey to the site). As such, the following directional traffic distribution (**Table 1**) can be expected during the peak hour.

		Peak hour (3-4pm)
From	North	51
	South	13
То	North	51
	South	13

Table 1: Directional distribution of additional traffic generated by the proposal





4. Turn Treatments

The turn treatment requirements for the proposed intersection of the new cul-de-sac road and Macleay Valley Way have been determined with reference to the following Austroads Guides:

- Austroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 6 (Intersections, Interchanges and Crossings Management, 2020)
- Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4A (Unsignalised and Signalised Intersections).

The Part 6 Guide provides the following warrants (**Figure 6**) for turn treatments on major roads at unsignalized intersections.



Figure 6: Turn treatment warrants

Based on the posted speed limit of 80 km/h on Macleay Valley Way, a design speed of 90 km/h can be adopted for the major road traffic in the above figure.

To determine the traffic volumes, the TfNSW Traffic Volume Viewer was used. A permanent classifier (Station Id: 6124) is located on Macleay Valley Way approx. 1.1 km north of the subject site (as shown in **Figure 7**). This classifier provides average vehicle





traffic volume data for the year 2024, for each direction on Macleay Valley Way on weekdays between 3-4pm. These results are shown in **Figure 8**.



Figure 7: Location of the permanent traffic classifier

01/01/2024 - 31	1/12/2024	Weekdays	#	15:00 - 16:00	0	All Ve	ehicles	⇔	Both Directions	Ø	Reset	
Yearly \	/iews ⊞ 🔟	Mont	nly Views 🎟 且	<u>il</u>	1	Weekly Ta	able 🎟		Raw Data	a Table 🕯	≣	
YEAR DIRECTI			VEHICLE TYPE				тот	AL	15	15:00		
		2024	Northbound	All Vehicles		363	363					
		2024	Northbound	Heavy Vehicle	5	53	53					
		2024	Northbound	Light Vehicles		310	310					
		2024	Southbound	All Vehicles		406	406					
		2024	Southbound	Heavy Vehicle	5	53	53					
		2024	Southbound	Light Vehicles		353	353					
wing 1 to 6 of	6 entries								Previ	ous	1 Ne	

Figure 8: Traffic volumes on Macleay Valley Way within the site locality



Based on the above information and the forecast peak hour traffic generation volumes for the proposed development, the following flow values have been calculated (see **Figure 9**).



Figure 9: Traffic volumes forecast on Macleay Valley Way with the proposed development

Based on the above, the following left/right Q_M , Q_R , and Q_L values can be derived:

- Q_R = 51 veh / h
- Q_L= 13 veh / h
- Right Q_M = 782 veh/h
- Left Q_M = 406 veh/h

The turn treatment requirements based on the above traffic volumes are shown in **Figure 10**.







Figure 10: Turn treatment requirements

As per **Figure 10**, the proposed intersection with Macleay Valley Way would be required to have the following turn treatments:

- An AUL(S) Rural Auxiliary Left-turn Treatment Short Turn Lane AUL(S) on the Major Road (see Figure 11)
- A CHR a Rural Channelised Right-turn Treatment CHR (see Figure 12)







Figure 11: Austroads Guide template for a Rural Auxiliary Left-turn Treatment







Figure 12: Austroads Guide template for a Rural Channelised Right-turn Treatment

Table 2 outlines the dimensions adopted in each turn treatment design and theirjustifications. Appendix A shows the proposed concept designs for each turn treatment.





Dimensio	on	Measurement (m)	Description						
	D	55 m 25 m	From Table 8.2 of the Guide, based on a design speed of 90 km/h for Macleay Valley						
Left-turn	1	25111	Way						
Treatment	W	3.5 m	Width of the existing adjacent through lane on Macleay Valley Way						
	WT	3.5 m	Width of the proposed left turn lane (typical)						
	W	3.5 m	Width of the existing adjacent through lane on Macleay Valley Way						
	E	45 m	2 * A/WT						
	WT	3.5 m	Width of the proposed right turn bay (typical)						
	А	80 m	From Table 7.1 of the Guide, based on a						
Right-turn	D	55 m	design speed of 90 km/h for Macleay Valley						
Treatment	R	350 m	Way						
	Т	25 m							
	S	26 m	26 m B- double as the design vehicle (storage length taken as the design vehicle length)						
	В	81 m	D+S=81 m						
	Х	15 m	15 m based on the design vehicle swept path						

Table 2: Key dimensions used in turn treatment design





5. Access Design Review

The proposed intersection of the vehicle access easement with Macleay Valley Way will be facilitated through the provision of left and right turn treatments on the Macleay Valley Way carriageway.

Vehicles turning left into the proposed new road can use the 55 m long left turn bay to slow down and turn. Vehicles turning right into the site can use the right turn bay that is 26 m long (to accommodate the 26 m long B-Double design vehicle) to prop into and wait to turn right into the new road. Both these operations will minimise any impacts on the through traffic on Macleay Valley Way from the additional traffic turning into the site.

Appendix C illustrates the turn movements of the design vehicle (a 26 m long B-Double) at the proposed intersection. As can be seen, the required manoeuvres by the design vehicle can be sufficiently accommodated within the proposed design constraints.







6. Conclusions

Based on this traffic impact assessment, the following can be concluded:

- At the site frontage, Macleay Valley Way has a ~11 m wide sealed carriageway that provides one travel lane in each direction (each travel lane is approx. 3.5 m wide with a minimum 2m wide shoulder).
- A speed limit of 80 km/h applies to all traffic on Macleay Valley Way, at the site frontage. There doesn't appear to be any recent history of crashes for this section of Macleay Valley Way.
- The site currently has one vehicular access point off Macleay Valley Way.
- The current proposal seeks to subdivide the subject site to provide 4 future industrial use lots and an access road easement (along the southern boundary of the site) that connects with Macleay Valley Way.
- The traffic generation potential of the proposed development was forecast with sample survey data from a similar business park / industrial estate site from the Guide to Traffic Generating Developments – Updated traffic surveys (TDT 2013/04a, Transport for NSW).
- The proposed site with a total land area of 6.939 ha is expected to generate some 128 trips during the peak hour period. The peak hour period, based on the sample site, is expected to be between 3-4pm on weekdays.
- A TfNSW permanent classifier (Station Id: 6124) is located on Macleay Valley Way approx. 1.1 km north of the subject site. This classifier provides average vehicle traffic volume data for the year 2024, for each direction on Macleay Valley Way on weekdays between 3-4pm.
- Using the above information, based on the Austraods Guide, the proposed intersection with Macleay Valley Way would be required to have the following turn treatments – (1) An AUL(S) - Rural Auxiliary Left-turn Treatment – Short Turn Lane AUL(S) on the Major Road, and (2) A CHR – a Rural Channelised Right-turn Treatment.





- Concept designs for the required left and right turn treatments on Macleay Valley Way at its intersection with the proposed internal road are provided within this report.
- Based on the proposed designs, vehicles turning left into the proposed new road can use the 55 m long left turn bay to slow down and turn. Vehicles turning right into the site can use the right turn bay that is 26 m long (to accommodate the 26 m long B-Double design vehicle) to prop into and wait to turn right into the new road. Both these operations will minimise any impacts on the through traffic on Macleay Valley Way from the additional traffic turning into the site.
- Based on the swept path results presented in this report, the turn movements of the design vehicle (a 26 m long B-Double) can be sufficiently accommodated within the proposed design constraints of the new intersection.





Appendix A: Survey Samples for Trip Rates

Traffic results summary											
			oy areas					Non-Sydney area			
Survey area ID	Site 1 Erskine Park Industrial	Site 2 Helensburg Business Park,	Site 3 Wonderland Business Park,	Site 4 Riverwood Business Park,	Site 5 Tuggerah Business Park,	Site 6 Central Business Park,	Site 7 Anambah Business Park,		Site 9 Shearwater Business Park.		Site 11 Jo Street But
	Estate, Erskine	Helensburgh	Eastern Creek	Riverwood	Tuggerah		Rutherford		Taylors Beach	Estate, Taylors	Park, Dub
Date of survey	29/03/2012	28/03/2012	27/03/2012	28/03/2012	1/05/2012	8/05/2012	2/05/2012	1/05/2012	2/05/2012	2/05/2012	10/05/201
Day of survey	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Duration of survey	06:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	06:00-19:00	07:00-19:00	06:00-19:00		06:00-19:
Surrounding area characteristics:											
Surrounding landuse (eg residential, commercial											
open space, etc)	Commercial	Residential	Residential	Residential	Commercial	Residential	Open space	Commercial	Open space	Open space	Residenti
Indicative Public Transport Accessibility Score	2	2	4	8	48	10	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Principal adjacent road- AM peak period (weekda		8.30 to 9.30 am	7.30 to 8.30 am	8.15 to 9.15 am	8.00 to 9.00 am	8.00 to 9.00 am	8.00 to 9.00 am				8.00 to 9.0
Principal adjacent road - PM peak period (weekd		4.30 to 5.30pm		5.00 to 6.00pm				5.00 to 6.00pm			3.00 to 4.0
Principal adjacent road - daily peak period (week	e 1.00 to 2.00 pm	11.00 am to 12.00	12.15 to 1.15 pm	1.15 to 2.15 pm	11.00 am to 12.00	11.00 am to 12.00	2.00 to 3.00 pm	12.00 to 1.00 pm	11.00 am to 12.00	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	10.0 to 11
Estate characteristics:											
Year opened	2003				2006		2008-2010		2003-2005	2001-2005	Lat
Total site area (hectares)	326.9	0.	5 114.0	5 4.	52.2	14.6	17.5		10.3	5.9	
No. of units/lots (including vacant units/lots)	38				3 229	79		58	93	42	
No. of occupied units/lots	38	1			184	66			44		
Predominant business types within estate:											
no. of factories	5) () (0	1	5		0	
no. of factories/warehouses	2) (0	(2	0	0	
no. of warehouses	27		2	0 1	5 41	13		23	6	3	
no. of offices	1		1	5	93			7	1	1	
no of retailers	0		0	0 0	16	25	-	2	12	6	
no. of workshops	1			0	0 0				6		
no. of manufacturers	0		3	2		0	i i	2		10	
no, of others commercial businesses			1	0	23	15		2	12	6	
Gross Floor Area in estate m ² (occupied)	693,605	1,60	406,60	29,98	136,737			89,291	16,022	19,881	
No. of employees		plete data from b		23		from businesses	18			ta from businesses	
	Incom	plete data from bi	sinesses	23	Incomplete data	from businesses	184		incomplete da	a from businesses	
Person Trips:					1456		20				
Peak 1-hour person-trips	1294	14:45-15:4	9 92		5 16:30-17:30	18:15-17:15			16:15-17:15	15:00-16:00	16:1
Time of peak 1-hour person-trips					16:30-17:30						16:1
Peak person-trips per business	35.9				26				6.5		
Peak person-trips per hectare									27.3		
Peak person-trips per 100 m ² of GFA	0.187								1.779		
Peak person-trips per employee	incom	plete data from bi	sinesses	0.74	incomplete data	from businesses	1.121		incomplete dat	ta from businesses	
Total daily person-trips	14056	16	3 992	9 1410	12066	4205	2064	6399	2385	975	
Total daily person-trips per business	390.4	13.	451.3	3 8	65.6	63.7	114.0	123.1	54.3	36.1	
Total daily person-trips per hectare	43.0	287.) 86.	8 301.5	231.4	288.7	117.6	197.1	232.0	165.5	
Total daily person-trips per 100 m ² of GFA	2.026	10.49	2.44	2 4.70	8.824	9.802	6.93	7.167	14.910		
Total daily person-trips per employee	incom	plete data from bi	linesses	6.10	Incomplete data	from businesses	11.339		incomplete dat	ta from businesses	
Person-trips during adjacent road AM peak	976				3 1408				176		
Person-trips during adjacent road PM peak Person-trips during adjacent road PM peak	1073			8 6	1400				258		
Vehicle Trips	10/3		00		1000	4/0	100	390	200		
Peak 1-hour vehicle-trips	1128	- 2	82	12	1254	418	172	504	205	75	
Time of peak 1-hour vehicle-trips	14:45-15:45				08:00-09:00				16:15-17:15	15:00-16:00	15.0
Peak vehicle-trips per business	14.40-10.40	14.40-10.4	3 37.	3 8	3.0	10.10-17.10	9.6	97	4.8	2.9	10.0
Peak vehicle-trips per busiliess Peak vehicle-trips per hectare	3.5				24.1				20.3		
	0.163				0.919				1.304		
Peak vehicle-trips per 100 m ² of GFA											
Peak vehicle-trips per employee		plete data from bi		0.55		from businesses	0.951			ta from businesses	
Total daily vehicle-trips	13125				3 10383	4619			1921	751	
Total daily vehicle-trips per business	364.6	12.			5 56.4				43.7	27.8	_
Total daily vehicle-trips per hectare	40.1								186.5		
Total daily vehicle-trips per 100 m ² of GFA	1.892	10.46	2.30	3.72			6.024	6.581	11.990	3.777	
Total daily vehicle-trips per employee	incom	plete data from bi	sinesses	4.8	incomplete data	from businesses	9.8		incomplete dat	ta from businesses	
Vehicle-trips in adjacent road AM peak (Average	1165	12	3 274		2594	1131			670	670	
Vehicle-trips in adjacent road PM peak (Average	972				2844				805		
Vehicle-trips during adjacent road AM peak	929					246	111		147		
Vehicle-trips during adjacent road PM peak	965		5 71		794	390	12	354	187	42	
Average vehicle occupancy	1,10	1.1			1.17				107	1.19	
% of total trips by principal mode:	1.10	- 11	. 1.1	1.1	1.1/	1.10	1.10	1.1/	1.25	1.19	
% of total trips by principal mode: % Car (as driver)	62.5%	81.99	63.25	68.85	79.1%	78.5%	70.0%	69.1%	74.3%	71.1%	
	62.5%	81.99			79.1%				74.3%		
% Car (as passenger)											
% Commercial Vehicles	28.3%				4.9%	6.2%			4.3%		
% Bus	0.8%	0.05			3.2%			2.2%	0.0%		
% Cycle	0.1%	0.05							0.8%		
% Motorbike	0.1%	0.09			0.3%	0.4%		0.3%	0.9%		
% On foot	0.1%	5.69			1.1%	0.8%	0.6%	0.0%	0.3%	0.9%	
% Other	0.0%	0.05	0.05	6 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	





Appendix B: Concept Turn Treatment Designs

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Appendix C: Design Vehicle Swept Path Tests

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