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ATTENTION: Colby Farmer

Dear Sir

# Integrated Development for 4//878214 85 Coolamon Road Charles Sturt University 2678

I refer to your letter dated 11 January 2012 seeking general terms of approval for the above Integrated Development in accordance with Section 91 of the 'Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979'.

This response is to be deemed a bush fire safety authority as required under section 100B of the 'Rural Fires Act 1997' and is issued subject to the following numbered conditions:

#### **Asset Protection Zones**

The intent of measures is to provide sufficient space for fire fighters and other emergency services personnel, ensuring radiant heat levels permit operations under critical conditions of radiant heat, smoke and embers, while supporting or evacuating occupants. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

1. At the commencement of building works and in perpetuity the property around the building to a distance of 40 metres, shall be maintained as an inner protection area (IPA) as outlined within section 4.1.3 and Appendix 5 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006' and the NSW Rural Fire Service's document 'Standards for asset protection zones'.

The intent of measures is to minimise the risk of bush fire attack and provide protection for emergency services personnel, residents and others assisting fire fighting activities. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

2. The proposal is to be developed in accordance with the plans prepared by NBRS + Partners, numbered 09098, dated December 2011.

#### Water and Utilites

The intent of measures is to provide adequate services of water for the protection of buildings during and after the passage of a bush fire, and to locate gas and electricity so as not to contribute to the risk of fire to a building. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

3. Water, electricity and gas are to comply with sections 4.1.3 and 4.2.7 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.

#### Access

The intent of measures for internal roads is to provide safe operational access for emergency services personnel in suppressing a bush fire, while residents are accessing or egressing an area. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

4. Internal roads shall comply with section 4.2.7 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.

# **Evacuation and Emergency Management**

The intent of measures is to provide suitable emergency and evacuation (and relocation) arrangements for occupants of special fire protection purpose developments. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

5. Arrangements for emergency and evacuation are to comply with section 4.2.7 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.

## **Design and Construction**

The intent of measures is that buildings are designed and constructed to withstand the potential impacts of bush fire attack. To achieve this, the following conditions shall apply:

- 6. New construction shall comply with section 5 (BAL 12.5) Australian Standard AS3959-2009 'Construction of buildings in bush fire-prone areas' and section A3.7 Addendum Appendix 3 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection'.
- Structure and shade materials in the inner protection area shall be non-combustible or have a Flammability Index of no greater than 5 when tested in accordance with Australian Standard AS1530.2-1993 'Methods for Fire Tests on Building Materials, Components and Structures - Test for Flammability of Materials'.
- 8. All new fencing shall be non-combustible.

### Landscaping

9. Landscaping to the site is to comply with the principles of Appendix 5 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.

For any queries regarding this correspondence please contact Deborah Dawson on 8741 5175.

Yours sincerely

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**Team Leader** 

The RFS has made getting information easier. For general information on 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection, 2006', visit the RFS web page at <a href="www.rfs.nsw.gov.au">www.rfs.nsw.gov.au</a> and search under 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection, 2006'.