

# Proposed Coffs Harbour Campus Health Education Building

Hogbin Drive, Coffs Harbour, NSW 2450

# Civil Engineering Report and Site Based Stormwater Management Plan

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# **1** Introduction

This report is prepared in relation to the construction of the new Campus Health Education Building located within the existing Southern Cross University (SCU) Campus. The development site can be identified as Lot 1 on DP 1030262.

The Detail Survey of the Development Site is attached to this report as Appendix A.

The Proposed Development layout is attached to this report as Appendix B.

The intent of this report is to provide recommendations for civil works and stormwater management strategies for the proposed development in compliance with the Coffs Harbour City Council planning requirements.

This report has further amended to provide responses to the Coffs Harbour City Councils (CHCC) following information requests:

- (RFI) No. 0857/18DA dated 03/07/2018.
- DA 0857/18 Additional Information- WSUD dated 08/08/2018.

The formal responses to both RFIs are given under Section 11 of this report.

# 2 Site Location

The proposed development site is located within the Southern Cross University – Coffs Harbour premises. The development site is bounded by the Hogbin Drive to the west and the existing university playground to the east. An existing detention pond is located to the north of the development and the south is bounded by a strip of dense vegetation.





# 3 Current Use

The existing site is vacant at the moment. It is undeveloped and covered with grass.

# 4 Easements

From the survey plan, no easements affecting the site.

# 5 Existing Topography

The development site is relatively flat and will be located over the existing valley between existing playground and Hogbin Drive. The existing ground over the proposed development area falls from RL3.5 to RL 2.7 towards the detention pond. The existing valley / overland flow path will be partially obstructed by the proposed development.



# 6 Flood Search

According to the Preliminary Engineering Report by de Groot & Censon Pty Ltd and the online mapping system of CH City Council:

The Boambee Creek and Newports Creek Flood Study (WMA Water, Jan 2011) is the current reference study. Figure 6.1 shows an extract of that study. The predicted peak 100-year ARI flood level in that location is RL 2.95m AHD. At this level Hogbin Drive is inundated north of the campus entry and shallow inundation of parts of the entry road and Hogbin Drive roundabout will occur. Contrary to the shading in the figure, the flood inundation will extend partway across site 1 as the ground levels here range from approximately RL 2.5 at the edge of the pond in the north to RL 4.5 at the tree line in the south. Council will set the minimum floor level requirement for the development with consideration as to its nature. Regardless, it will not be below RL 3.5m AHD.

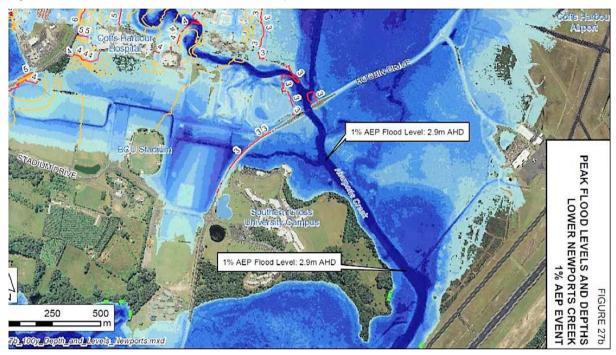


Figure 6.1 – Extract from the de Groot & Benson Report

The proposed Building floor level will be located above the flood level (at RL3.85m AHD) and the proposed carpark and other external areas will be located close to the existing surface levels to minimise any impact on the floodplain from the Boambee Creek and Newports Creek catchments.

# 7 Stormwater Drainage

# 7.1. Existing Drainage Conditions

The existing topography and overland conditions are outlined in Clause 5 presented above. An overland flow path, where the new building set to be built, convey stormwater from the upstream undeveloped catchments to the detention pond at the North. No underground drainage infrastructure can be found at the development site.

The current drainage system within the CH campus has been developed based on the Infrastructure Strategy Report No. CH9104 (May 1992) by the Public Works NSW (Refer Appendix C).

Accordingly, a stormwater management strategy has been developed with two stormwater retention basins to cater for the increased run-off from the University to Hogbin Drive for a 1% AEP. These basins have been incorporated with the irrigation dam to provide an aesthetic entrance. Sediment and litter traps have been provided for all stormwater outlets.

The maximum water level, according to the Public Works' Report, is 2.75m AHD, which is approx. 750mm below the Main access road to the University.

All upstream catchments have been captured in to the current underground drainage pipes and above ground drainage channels before discharging into the detention ponds.



The detail stormwater modelling or the calculations are not available for review. However, it is assumed that the current detention basins are designed for the fully developed scenario of the University Masterplan.

# 7.2. Proposed Drainage Strategy

The proposed stormwater strategy is based on the existing drainage conditions / strategy identified under Clause 7.1 above. Accordingly:

- The building downpipes will be connected to the proposed open drain (West) and to the proposed underground drainage system (East). The proposed drainage system will be discharged to the existing detention pond to the north of the development
- The carpark and hardstand areas will be collected in an underground drainage system (via. Treatment) and will be discharged to the proposed swale for further treatment.
- The existing overland flow path will be diverted around the proposed building into a landscaped swale and will be discharged to the existing detention pond.
- Natural landscape channels/ swales will be provided where possible to improve stormwater quality and to slow down runoff.

Refer Appendix D for the Proposed Stormwater Management Plan

# 7.3. Legal Point of Stormwater Discharge

The legal Point of Discharge for this development will be the southern Detention Pond as show in Appendix D.

Upstream catchments will be collected in a trapezoidal shape landscaped channel, which runs between the proposed building and the carpark. The channel will be designed to carry the surface runoff for up to 1% AEP from upstream catchments.

# 7.4. Stormwater Quantity Management

The modelling of the stormwater runoff quantity has been considered for the existing case and operational phase of the development. The calculations have been conducted based on the methods specified in the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (2013) with using a 1d model in XPSWMM.

# 7.4.1 XP-SWMM Rainfall Parameters

In order to accurately evaluate the natural hydrology of the site, several modelling parameters have been utilised, as follows:

- AR&R temporal patterns; and
- Intensity Frequency Data (IFD) for the Raceview area.

The IFD data used in the hydrologic analysis for a range of storm events is presented in Table 7.1

Storm Duration	Average Recurrence Interval -Years					
(min)	2	5	10	20	100	
10	116	144	160	182	232	
15	97	122	136	155	199	
30	69	88	99	113	147	
45	56	71	80	93	121	
60	47	61	69	80	104	
90	37	49	55	64	84	

Table.7.1 – Intensity Frequency Data – Coffs Harbour Area (mm/hr)

To input the IFD information into XP-SWMM, rainfall multipliers are generated to represent the depth of rainfall for the given storm event and storm duration. The rainfall multipliers are then applied to the temporal patterns within XP-SWMM to generate flood hydrographs for use within the hydraulic



analysis. Table 7.2 presents the rainfall multipliers applied to the XP-SWMM model for flood hydrograph generation.

	Storm	Average Recurrence Interval -Years				
	Duration (min)	2	5	10	20	100
	10	19.29	24.05	26.72	30.40	35.14
Ī	15	24.27	30.47	33.98	38.77	44.99
Ī	30	34.60	43.98	49.40	56.65	66.15
Ī	45	41.75	53.47	60.31	69.39	81.34
Ī	60	47.36	61.01	69.02	79.61	93.56
	90	56.14	72.92	82.87	95.93	113.20

Table 7.2 – XP-STORM Rainfall Multipliers Applied to the Temporal Patterns (mm)

The initial and continuing losses have been applied to the hydrologic model. In this case, the values applied to model are summarised in Table 7.3.

Table 7.3 – Rainfall Losses

Rainfall Loss Type	Event <30yr ARI	Event >30Yr ARI
Pervious Initial Loss (mm)	5	2.5
Pervious Continuing Loss (mm/hr.)	2.5	0
Impervious Initial Loss (mm)	2.5	0
Impervious Continuing Loss (mm/hr.)	0	0

# 7.4.2 Pre-Development Model

An XP-SWMM model was developed for the existing scenario based on the natural topography, survey data and existing flow paths through the subject site. A summary of the catchment parameters applied to the XP-SWMM model is illustrated in Table 7.4. A brief description of how they were derived is described below:

The fraction impervious has been determined by calculating the impervious area in the pre-developed land parcel. When applying the "Runoff' routing mode of XP-SWMM, a catchment width is required. The model assumes a rectangular catchment, and therefore the width represents the catchment area divided by the length of the flow path. An analysis of the catchments has been undertaken to determine the average slope, with the results being applied to the model

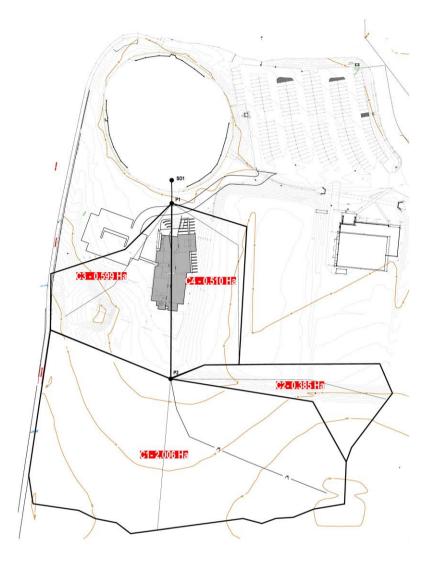
Catchment ID	Catchment Area(Ha)	Flow path Length(m)	Catchment Width(m)	Catchment Slope	Percentage of Impervious (%)
C1	2.006	103	195	0.0437	0
C2	0.385	148	26	0.0270	0
C3	0.599	108	55	0.0440	0
C4	0.510	134	38	0.0243	0

Table 7.4 – Pre-development Catchment Parameters

Pre-development XP-SWMM nodes and the corresponding catchment plan are shown below in Figure 7.1.



## Figure 7.1 – Pre-development XP-SWMM Nodes and catchment plan



# 7.4.3 Post-Development Model

A post development XP-SWMM model was established based on the development layout with the adoption of relevant impervious factors and channel discharges.

# 7.4.4 Post-Development Catchment Definition

A summary of the post development catchment parameters applied to the XP-SWMM model is contained in Table 7.5 below.

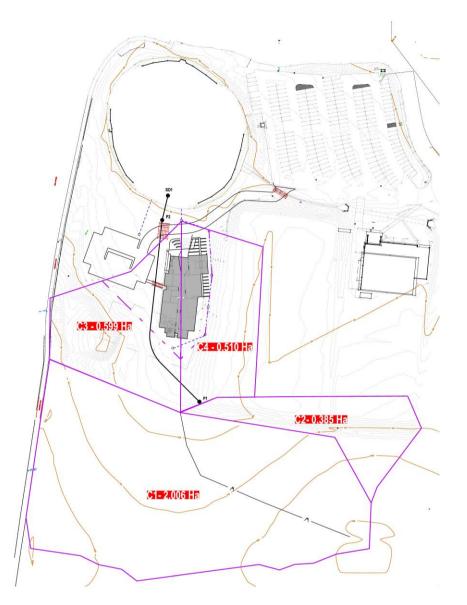
Catchment ID	Catchment Area(Ha)	Flow path Length(m)	Catchment Width(m)	Catchment Slope	Percentage of Impervious (%)
C1	2.006	103	195	0.008	0%
C2	0.385	148	26	0.009	0%
C3	0.599	108	55	0.007	33%
C4	0.510	134	38	0.004	26%

Table 7.5 – Post-development Catchment Parameters

Post development XP-SWMM nodes and the corresponding catchment plan are shown below in Figure 7.2.



## Figure 7.2 – Post-development XP-SWMM Nodes and catchment plan



# 7.4.5 Model Results (Stormwater Quantity)

A comparison between the peak discharge values obtained using XP-SWMM model for the pre-and post-development scenarios are presented in Table 7.6.

Outlet	Return Period	XP-SWMM Existing condition - Peak Discharge (m3/s)	XP-SWMM (Un- mitigated) Peak Discharge (m3/s)	Increase of Discharge (m3/s)
	2 Yr.	0.617	0.695	0.078
SO1	5 Yr.	0.797	0.969	0.172
(Detention	10 Yr.	0.949	1.142	0.193
Pond)	20 Yr.	1.169	1.370	0.201
	100 Yr.	1.662	1.800	0.138



It is anticipated that the current detention ponds are designed for the fully developed scenario of the Campus and the above increase of discharge rates have been accommodated for.

However, the distribution of the above flow increases over the current detention ponds have been reviewed and the increase of water depths in the ponds due to additional discharge has been considered in Table 7.7 below.

Table 7.7 –	Change of	of catchment	pond	water le	vel
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	OUTFLOW VOLUME AT DETENTION (100YR EVENT)						
Storm Duration (min)	Volume at Outlet - Proposed conditions(m3)	Volume at Outlet - Existing conditions(m3)	Volume Increase(m3)	Increase of water level(mm)			
10	1205	1159	45	3			
15	1567	1517	51	3.4			
30	2271	2178	93	6.2			
45	2758	2645	113	7.5			
60	3039	2896	143	9.5			
90	2979	2807	172	11.5			

Given the above results, the increase of runoff due to the development (if not considered in the initial master plan design) can still be accommodated in the ponds with a negligible increase of the water level.

# 7.5. Stormwater Quality management

According to the Infrastructure Strategy Report No. CH9104 (May 1992) by the Public Works NSW (Refer Appendix C) for the current drainage system, a range of stormwater quality management measures across the current drainage system within the CH campus have been developed. Some of these measures include:

- Two stormwater retention/ detention basins with the incorporation of irrigation dams for water re-use.
- Two stormwater retention/ detention basins to manage and restrict sediment and erosion discharge into the external drainage system
- Stormwater flow attenuation by accommodating the peak flows in detention ponds and restricting the discharge into the council system.
- Sediment and litter traps for all stormwater outlets
- Integrating stormwater management into the landscape by the existing dams that incorporate multiple uses providing a variety of benefits, including water quality protection, stormwater detention and retention, public open space, and recreational and visual amenity of the community.

The core principles of WSUD with regard to stormwater management have been achieved by the masterplan design of the Coffs Harbour Campus.

Additionally, the following best management practices as per Coffs Harbour City Council's Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) Guideline will be implemented for the proposed development:

- Cut and fill has been minimized follow the existing terrain excluding for the building platform, which needs to be raised above the designated flood level.
- The current overland flow path will be diverted into a landscaped swale with rock pitching to the outlet to provide scour protection.



- Building downpipes will be connected to the landscaped swale for initial treatment before discharging into the existing dams. The design is to minimise roofwater runoff by avoiding the channelling and concentration of flow to maintain natural drainage patterns of catchments.
- Car park drainage will be captured and directed to a GPT as end of pipe solutions to improve stormwater discharge.
- landscaped areas will be provided for filtering runoff, swale drains, and infiltration.
- An effective sediment and erosion control measures will be provided during the construction stage.

Above measures are conceptually precented on the Proposed Stormwater Management plan, which is attached to this report as Appendix D.

The above infrastructure Strategy Report by Public Works NSW does not consider water quality modelling and doesn't demonstrate the compliance of water quality to the current standards. Therefore, the above WSUD strategy has been compiled and modelled in MUSIC software to ascertain the compliance with the current Healthy Waterways Guidelines.

# 7.5.1 Water Quality Objectives (WQO)

The relevant water quality objectives as outlined under the Technical Design Guidelines for South East Queensland are as follows:

- ➢ 80% reduction in coarse sediment (TSS)
- ➢ 60% reduction in total phosphorous (TP)
- > 45% reduction in total nitrogen (TN)

# 7.5.2 Modelling Approach

Conceptual stormwater quality modelling was undertaken using MUSIC Version 6.3, which is a widely accepted approach to assess the treatment train effectiveness within the land development industry. A combined MUSIC model was established for the sub catchments of the proposed development and the existing site to ascertain the pollutant reduction targets at the discharge point from the Campus.

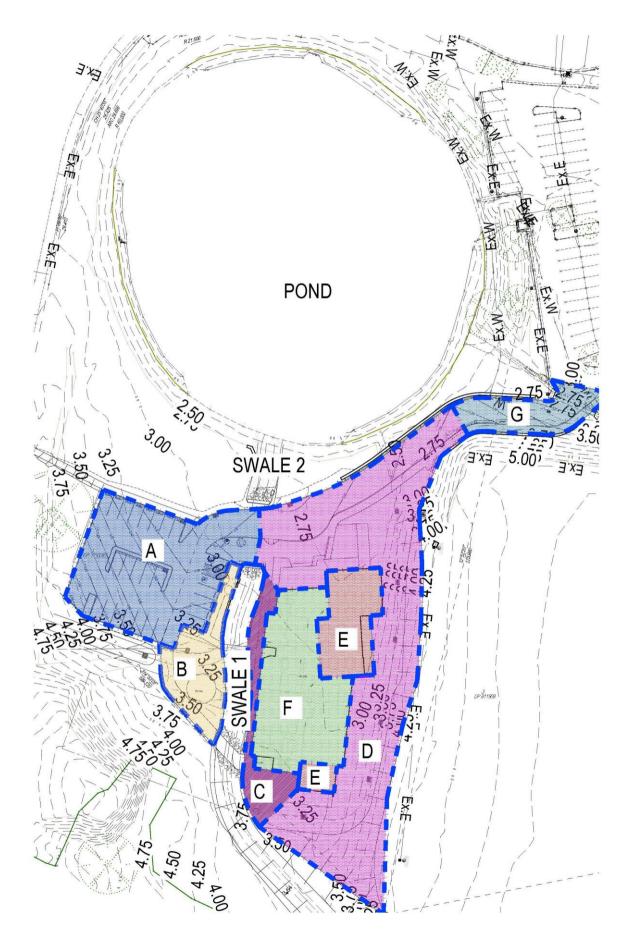
# 7.5.3 Proposed Development Model

A treatment train has been established in accordance with the proposed design for the various catchments based on surface types as identified under "Water by Design – MUSIC Modelling Guidelines V1.0-2010". Each sub catchment has been separately inserted into the model with proposed treatment measures and relevant impervious / pervious percentages calculated from the proposed design.

The sub catchments of the proposed development as utilized in the modelling are shown below in Figure 7.3

Figure 7.3 - The catchment plan modelled in MUSIC for the proposed development







# 7.5.4 Existing Site Model

In addition to the above, the existing site catchments have also been included in the model to identify the predicted pollutant concentrations at the outlet from the campus as requested by Coffs Harbour City Council (CHCC).

The existing site catchments, impervious parameters and land use have been identified based on the following assumptions:

- 1. The DTM (contours) provided by CHCC has been used to identify sub-catchments of the existing site into the existing lagoons/ ponds.
- 2. This Six Map by NSW Government has been used to identify the land use and impervious/ pervious parameters.
- The existing inground drains, open channels, swales and stormwater quality improvement devices within the existing campus have been excluded from the model due to insufficient survey information.
- 4. The existing two ponds/ lagoons and overland flow paths (considered as 2 sperate swales over catchments J and H) have been modelled as the only treatment devices for the existing campus (verse case scenario).

The above approach has been discussed and agreed with the Urban Engineer | Sustainable Places Group at CHCC.

Based on the above, the sub catchments of the existing site as utilized in the modelling are shown below in Figure 7.4

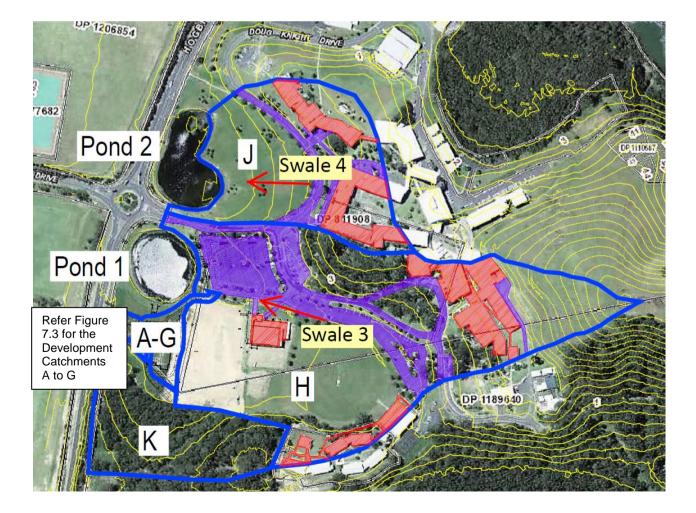
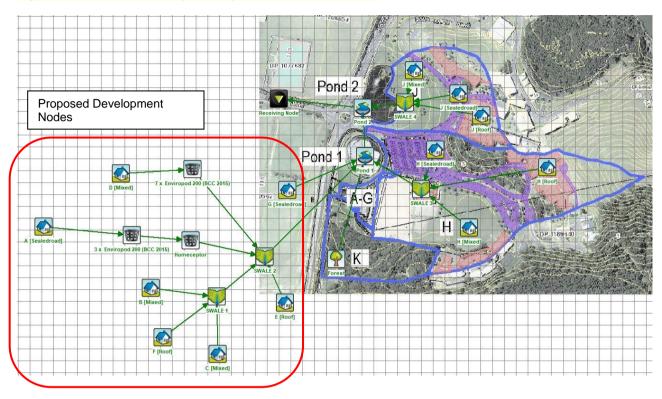


Figure 7.4 - The catchment plan modelled in MUSIC for the existing campus.



# 7.5.5 MUSIC Nodes

The combination of proposed development and existing catchment nodes in MUSIC are presented below in Figure 7.5.



## Figure 7.5 - The treatment system layout modelled in MUSIC

The existing sub catchment 'K' towards the Pond 1 has been considered as a forest catchment with Default MUSIC Parameters.

# 7.5.6 MUSIC Node Input Parameters

The MUSIC model for the commercial land use has been established with the soil characteristics and water quality parameters as recommended in Table 7.8 and 7.9 below. These parameters are specified under the Water by Design Music Modelling Guidelines.

Table 7.8 - Soil Characteristics for Commercial Land Use

Parameter	Commercial
Rainfall Threshold (mm)	1
Soil capacity (mm)	18
Initial Storage (%)	10
Field Capacity (mm)	80
Infiltration Capacity Coefficient a	243
Infiltration Capacity coefficient b	0.6
Initial Depth (mm)	50
Daily Recharge Rate (%)	0
Daily Base Flow Rate (%)	31



Pollutant	Flow conditions	Roof		nditions Roof Roads		Ground Level	
		Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation
TSS	Base Flow	N/A	N/A	0.78	0.39	0.78	0.39
	Storm Flow	1.30	0.38	2.43	0.38	2.16	0.38
TP	Base Flow	N/A	N/A	-0.60	0.50	-0.60	0.50
	Storm Flow	-0.89	0.34	-0.30	0.34	-0.39	0.34
TN	Base Flow	N/A	N/A	0.32	0.30	0.32	0.30
	Storm Flow	0.37	0.34	0.37	0.34	0.37	0.34

#### Table 7.9 - Water Quality Parameters for Commercial Land Use

# 7.5.7 Meteorological Data

Six-minute rainfall data for Coffs Harbour area – plv058189 (6 Minute Time Step) was used in the MUSIC modelling.

# 7.5.8 Development Model Scenario Description

- Catchment A Carpark and associated hardstand area will be captured and discharged through 3 Filter Baskets and a Gross Pollutant Trap (GPT) before discharging into the Swale 2
- Catchment B and C Paths and landscaped area directly discharges into Swale 1
- Catchment D Paths, landscaped areas and part access driveway captured and discharged through 7 Filter Baskets into the Swale 2
- Catchment E Roof areas discharged into the Swale 2
- Catchment F Roof areas discharged into the Swale 1
- Catchment G Access crossover discharged into the Detention Pond

# 7.5.9 Treatment Devices

Swale 1 and 2 – Parameters were used from the detail design of the civil works

Enviropod Series 200 Filter Baskets - MUSIC nodes for the treatment device was provided by Stormwater 360

GPT – Standard nodes for 'Humeceptor GPT' have adopted

PONDS – Parameters of the existing detention ponds have been adopted based on the survey information and previous Infrastructure Strategy Report for the University. Some parameters such as Outlet Properties and Permanent Pool Volume have been estimated based on the available information.

SWALE 3 & 4 – Parameters adopted based on assumptions of the flow path over catchments J & H.

The MUSIC software file will be provided as a part of this Report submission and the detail inputs of the above devices can be viewed on actual MUSIC Nodes.

# 7.5.10 Water Quality Results

The water quality results based on the MUSIC model are summarized in the Table 7.10 below.

Pollutant	Predicted Reduction (%)	Objective (%)
Total Nitrogen - TN	<mark>40.3</mark>	45
Total Phosphorus – TP	<mark>74.3</mark>	60
Total Suspended Solids - TSS	<mark>88.4</mark>	80

Compliance is achieved against the objectives for TP and TSS. Compliance is not achieved for TN, however, total predicted reduction is very close to the target reductions. Given the conservative approach of the model and exclusion of number of existing treatment opportunities within the campus due to insufficient information, we believe the above results are satisfactory and can be considered as in compliance against the target reductions.



# 8 Earthworks

No Significant earthworks are proposed for the development of the land. The earthworks associated with the development would be the fill platform for the building, excavation for the new carpark, services, driveway crossovers and the overland flow channels/ swales.

# **9** Sewer and Water Reticulation

The proposed sewer and water connections to and from the development will be provided from the existing infrastructure within the Campus and no external connections are proposed. The detail designs will be provided by the Hydraulic Consultant during Building Approval Stage.

# **10 Erosion and Sediment Control**

Erosion and settlement control will comply with the best practice including the use of buffer strips, sediment fencing and silt control. These will be maintained until post construction stabilization has been completed. Detail erosion and sediment control plans will be prepared during the operational works design stage.

The outlet from the development to the Legal Point of Discharge will be provided with rock embedded on concrete as a scour/ erosion control measure.

The sediment and erosion control will be addressed in the future operational works application.

# 11 Civil Response to Coffs Harbour City Council's Information Request

The civil related responses to the Coffs Harbour City Council's information request dated 03rd July 2018 are summarized below:

## Council RFI

Council considers that the proposed development needs to meet current water sensitive urban design (WSUD) principals rather than rely on principals established under the original University Masterplan. Please provide an amended concept stormwater management plan and accompanying details demonstrating that compliance with current WSUD criteria can be achieved ( e.g. MUSIC modelling or compliance with South East Queensland Deemed to comply scenarios)

The revised plan models the proposed treatment systems as well as the existing pond. The modelling indicates Council's WSUD criteria are achieved if the treatment impact of the pond is considered (without the pond, the criteria are not achieved in respect to nitrogen reductions). The MUSIC model does not consider other existing development draining to the pond. Therefore, it does not provide an accurate assessment of the performance of the pond and the overall treatment performance.

In summary, the additional information is inadequate and the applicant needs to either:

- Revise the stormwater concept to achieve Council's WSUD criteria for the development before it discharges into the pond; or
- Model the entire catchment of the pond to assess if Council's WSUD criteria are achieved when other existing inputs to the pond are considered.

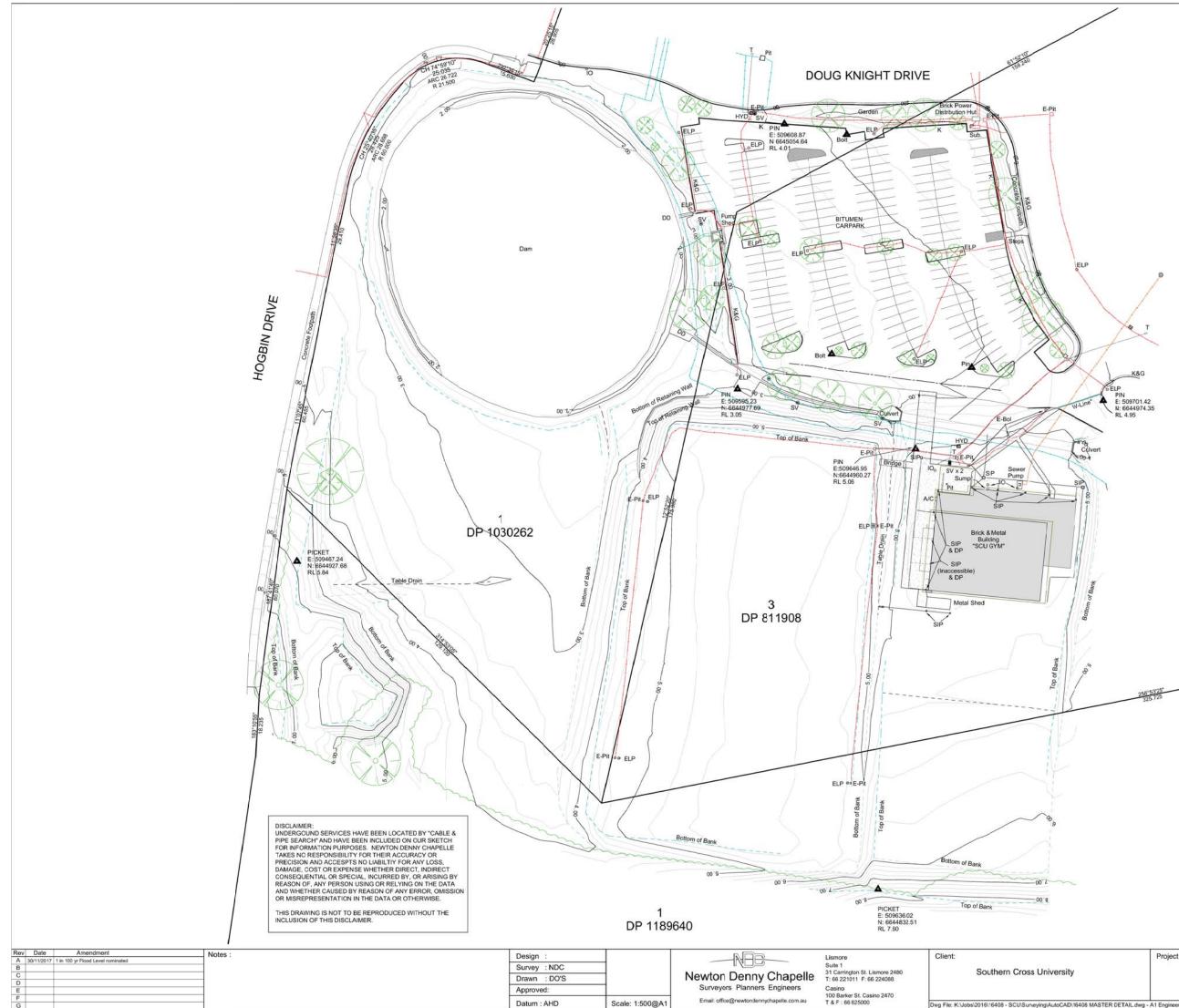
## Response

MUSIC modelling has been conducted for the proposed design and treatment train. The details including predicted pollutant reduction targets are now included in the revised concept stormwater management plan.

The entire catchment has been modelled based on the assumptions and methodology as discussed with the CHCC Urban Engineer.



# Appendix A: Detail Survey Plan



Datum : AHD

Scale: 1:500@A1

SV - Denotes stop valve SIP Denotes surface inlet pit E-Pit Denotes electricity pit HYD - Denotes hydrant - Denotes communications pit ELP - Denotes electric light pole K&G - Denotes 150mm upright kerb & gutter Denotes upright kerb only DF - Denotes down pipe

- Denotes inspection outle

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Froot & According to a report prepared by de Groot & Benson PP, Ltd "Geotechnical and Engineering Issues for Proposed Clinical Sciences Hub Southern Cross University – Coffs Harbour", the predicted 1 in 100 year flood level for the site is 2.95m AHD.

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# **Appendix B: Proposed Site Plan**



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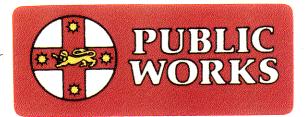
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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### **GENERAL**

This report establishes and assesses the options for the provision of infrastructure to the new Coffs Harbour Joint Educational Facility. It examines the following infrastructure :

- \* On-Site Sewerage Reticulation
- \* Sewage Treatment and Effluent Disposal
- \* On-Site Irrigation
- \* Off-Site Water Supply Services
- \* Stormwater Management
- \* Off-Site Roadworks
- \* Power Services to the Site
- \* Telecommunications Services to the Site.

The infrastructure has been examined for the following population projections and stagings :

POPULATION PROJECTIONS AND STAGING				
Stage	1	2	Ultimate	
Year	1995	2000	2010	
Persons in Attendance : School : TAFE : UNE Persons in Residence	1,000 600 700 Nil	1,200 1,190 1,900 100	1,200 2,100 2,600 400	
TOTAL	2,300	4,300	6,300	

#### ON-SITE SEWERAGE RETICULATION

An on-site sewerage reticulation system has been developed for both on-site and off-site sewage treatment. These two systems are shown at Exhibits 5A and 5B. In both cases, the Facility can be serviced by a full gravity system to one pump station or treatment plant. This is provided minimum floor levels are maintained on some buildings.

#### SEWAGE TREATMENT

Three sewage treatment options were considered as follows :

- (1) Connection to the Coffs Harbour City Council's system via an onsite pumping station.
- (2) Provision of an on-site treatment plant and sand filtration. Effluent disposal would be via effluent re-use and creek discharge.
- (3) Provision of on-site treatment plant and membrane (Memtec) filtration. Effluent disposal would be via effluent re-use and creek discharge.

The options were examined on the basis of capital cost, operational costs, and ease of operation. Each option was subjected to a present worth cost analysis.

Connection to the Coffs Harbour City Council system is recommended, as it has the cheapest capital and operational cost. It has the least complex operation, only consisting of an on-site pump station pumping to Council's system. The works are shown at Exhibit 6, whilst the capital costs are as shown below :

STAGE	HEADWORKS CHARGES	PUMP STATION	TOTAL
1	\$142,700	\$105,000	\$247,700
2	\$116,800	NIL	\$116,800
Ultimate	\$116,800	\$10,000	\$126,000

The headworks charges are as expected by Coffs Harbour City Council. If these contributions are to be paid, they are reasonable when compared with on-site treatment plants.

#### ON-SITE IRRIGATION

Four options were examined to irrigate the site. They were as follows :

- (a) Supply from town water reticulation
- (b) Supply from on-site storage of run-off
- (c) Re-use of effluent from Coffs Harbour Sewage Treatment Works
- (d) Re-use of effluent from an on-site sewage treatment plant.

Supply from an on-site storage dam is recommended. It is the most economical option. Construction of the dam adjacent to Hogbin Drive, as shown on Exhibit 7, will also provide an aesthetic entrance to the Facility. Water will be pumped from this dam to high pressure sprinklers for grassed areas, and low pressure sprinklers for garden and horticultural areas.

#### (ii)

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The capital costs for the storage dam and irrigation distribution system are as follows :

STAGE	STORAGE DAM	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM	TOTAL
1	\$72,000	\$130,000	\$202,000
2	-	\$30,000	\$30,000
Ultimate	-	\$40,000	\$40,000

#### WATER SUPPLY

The current water service main to the site is inadequate for the Facility's demands and needs to be augmented with construction of a ring main link to Coffs Harbour or Sawtell. A computer analysis by Coffs Harbour City Council identified that Council would need to construct any one of the following :

- (1) A 200 mm main from Coffs Harbour, at a cost of \$300,000
- (2) A 200 mm main from Sawtell, at a cost of \$240,000
- (3) A 150 mm main from Coffs Harbour, at a cost of \$240,000.

Each option is shown at Exhibit 10. Supply from Sawtell will not give adequate pressure to all levels of the site. The 200 mm and 150 mm mains from Coffs Harbour give acceptable pressures. The 150 mm main is recommended on the basis of cost.

Council advised that it expected that the facility should pay for installation of the ring main and a headworks contribution. These charges are as follows :

STAGE	SERVICE MAIN	HEADWORKS CHARGES	TOTAL
1	\$240,000	\$43,400	\$273,400
2	-	\$66,000	\$66,000
Ultimate	-	\$115,900	\$115,900

If contributions are to be paid, then the headworks charges are reasonable. However, the Facility should not pay the full cost of the service main augmentation. Council's system will benefit via increased security of supply and higher pressures to areas along Hogbin Drive.

Use of rainwater tanks to supplement supply is not recommended. Any savings in capital and operating costs for the reticulation system would most likely be exceeded by the cost of providing a secondary rainwater supply system.

#### STORMWATER

The Facility's development will generate increased stormwater run-off as a result of the impervious surfaces created.

#### (iii)

A stormwater management strategy has been developed and is shown at Exhibit 10. It consists of a stormwater retention basin to cater for the increased run-off to Hogbin Drive. This basin has been incorporated with the irrigation dam to provide an aesthetic entrance. Sediment and litter traps will be required for all stormwater outlets.

Coffs Harbour City Council agrees with the management strategy.

The estimated cost for the basin is \$35,300. Surplus spoil from the construction of the dam and basin is estimated at 12,000 cubic metres. This can be utilised on site for construction of playing fields.

#### ROADWORKS

Existing access to the site is via Hogbin Drive. The Facility will ultimately double the existing peak hour load along Hogbin Drive. Access to the site will need to be via a roundabout and possibly additional left turning slip-lanes.

Council has advised that the cost of the roundabout is expected to be met by the Facility. It also expects the Facility to contribute to upgrading of Hogbin Drive. That level of contribution has not been determined by Council. Council also advised that access to the playing fields opposite the site via pedestrian crossings would not be permitted. It suggested an overhead pedestrian bridge.

If Council charges are to be paid, the cost of the roundabout should be met by the Facility. This cost is estimated by the P.W.D. at \$350,000. A pedestrian bridge to the playing fields is estimated to cost \$300,000, and is not recommended. The money would be better spent on constructing on-site playing facilities.

If any contribution is sought for upgrading Hogbin Drive, Council will need to clearly establish on what basis it has been formulated considering the benefit to which the general public will benefit and the Facility's staged development.

#### POWER SUPPLY

The local power supply authority has an established supply grid in the vicinity of the site. Northern Rivers Electricity have advised that the adjacent mains will need to be augmented at full cost to the Facility. A system augmentation (headworks) charge will also apply. The provision of on-site high voltage power mains will also have to be paid for by the Facility. All these costs are summarised below.

STAGE S	ERVICE MAIN	HEADWORKS CHARGES	ON-SITE CABLES	TOTAL
1&2	\$33,000	\$43,337	\$200,128	\$276,465
Ultimate	-	\$31,807	\$129,000	\$160,807

#### TELECOMMUNICATION

Telecom advised that it will provide an optical fibre service to a central distribution point within the site. The costs invlvolved will not be required to be met by the Facility. The cost of the distribution system within the site would have to be met by the Facility and be subject to open tender.

#### INFRASTRUCTURE COST ESTIMATE

The estimated capital costs for the off-site infrastructure and some onsite infrastructure are shown at the Summary Table. They will need to be confirmed when development proposals are finalised. Coffs Harbour City Council has advised that it "is anxious to assist to ensure that development may commence at the earliest possible date...". Negotiations should be held with Council, and to a lesser extent Northern Rivers Electricity, to either reduce or verify the infrastructure charges they wish to apply to the Facility.

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Strategy Study establishes and assesses the options for the provision of infrastructure to the new Coffs Harbour Joint Educational Facility. It has been undertaken by the Public Works Department on behalf of the Technical and Further Education Commission and the Department of Schools Education, New South Wales.

The Facility will be located at a site on Hogbin Drive, a secondary road distributor linking Sawtell to Coffs Harbour. The site location is shown at Exhibit Two.

The site will be developed to accommodate the combined educational needs of a University of New England Campus, a T.A.F.E. College and a Senior High School. Development will occur over three stages with Stage 1 reached in Year 1995, Stage 2 in Year 2000 and the ultimate Stage in Year 2010.

## 2.0 <u>OBJECTIVES</u>

The objective of the study is to determine the necessary works to provide infrastructure for for the following categories:

- On-site Sewerage Reticulation
- Sewage Treatment and Effluent Disposal
- On-site Irrigation
- Off-site Water Supply Services
- Stormwater Management
- Off-site Roadworks
- Power Supply Services to Site
- Telecommunication Services to Site

In each category the objectives are to:

- Determine the Facility's demands for the services at each development stage.
- For those demands, examine the options to provide the required infrastructure.
- For each option, evaluate the costs involved in constructing the infrastructure, with consideration of staging works to suit development and to be cost effective.
- Establish, where appropriate, the most economical and viable option of infrastructure provision.
- Comment, where appropriate, on the costs imposed by local authorities for their supply of infrastructure works.

## 3.0 PLANNING DATA

## 3.1 LOCATION

The site chosen for the Joint Education Facility is shown at Exhibit One. It is approximately 3 kilometres south of Coffs Harbour City and 3 kilometres north of the town of Sawtell. It occupies 141.2 hectares and is land dedicated to the Facility by Coffs Harbour City Council, identified as Lots 2, 3 and 4, Deposited Plan 811908. Lot 2 is the T.A.F.E. site, Lot 3 is the High School Site and Lot 4 is the University of New England, Northern Rivers site. The site is currently zoned 1(5) Rural but that zoning is currently being amended to zone 5, Special Uses Education.

## 3.2 PLANNING PROJECTIONS

Each education authority has provided its projection for development of the site. These projections are shown at Table 3.1 for the three stages adopted.

Table 3.1 POPULATION PROJECTIONS					
Stage	1	2	Ultimate		
Year	1995	2000	2010		
Persons in Attendance - School - TAFE - UNE	1000 600 700	1200 1190 1900	1200 2100 2600		
Persons in Residence	Nil	100	400		
TOTAL	2300	4300	6300		

#### 3.3 SITE DEVELOPMENT CONSTRAINTS

The provision of infrastructure to the site is affected by planning constraints which control development. These are shown at Exhibit Two and are commented on as follows :

- (a) The waters of Newports Creek are classified a Class P Protected Waters under the Clear Waters Act, 1970. Class P waters are waters into which:
  - Untreated wastes are not to be discharged.
  - No sewage overflows are permitted
  - Effluent from treated waste must be diluted by material wastes to a minimum of 19 times
  - Only strict minimum amounts of suspended solids, grease, oil and nutrient are allowed to be discharged.

Those requirements will affect the consideration of on-site sewage treatment and stormwater management.

(b) Portions of the site are zoned 7 (w), Environmental Protection (Wetlands), 7(b) Environmental Protection (Buffer), and 6(b) Open Space (Proposed). Zone 7(b) aims to preserve the ecological or scenic value of the land and provide a buffer to wetlands and watercourses. Zone 7 (w) aims to protect coastal wetlands. Zone 6 (b) aims to preserve open space around an osprey nesting site.

So the type and location of sewage treatment facilities, sewage reticulation, irrigation storage, roads, stormwater management structures and underground conduits will not be allowed if they conflict with the aims of any of the above zones.

(c) Parts of the land are below the 1 in 100 year flood level. Any structures in those flood affected areas should be protected from flooding and not significantly affect the flood levels of Newports Creek. Structures likely to be affected will be sewage pumping stations, treatment plants, irrigation dams, electrical transformers, and roadworks.

#### 3.4 BUILDING LAYOUTS

Based on advice from Public Works Department's State Projects - Schools Education and the UNE's consulting architect, the concept building layout for the total facility is as shown on Exhibit Three. The position and size of the buildings is conceptual only and subject to final design.

## 3.5 AUTHORITIES CONTROLLING INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Exhibit Four shows schematically the authorities who have input into infrastructure development for the site and what type of infrastructure they are concerned with. Coffs Harbour City Council, Northern Rivers Electricity and Telecom expect cash contributions for the provision of off-site and, in some cases, on-site infrastructure. These authorities, along with the Environmental Protection authority, have control over some technical standards applicable to infrastructure works.

## 7.0 STORMWATER

#### 7.1 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Development of the site will necessitate stormwater drainage works to cater for increased runoff concentration. Drainage basins have been identified as shown on Exhibit 11. Only one of these basins has an affect on an existing drainage system i.e. the basin draining to Hogbin Drive and Marshall's Estate Playing Fields.

Council was requested to provide their requirements for stormwater management. Council's reply was as follows :

- 1. A retention basin would be required on the facility site, to retard the increased run-off. The cost of that basin would be at full cost to the facility.
- 2. Trash screens would be required at all stormwater outlets to the creek.
- 3. No headworks contributions for downstream drainage works will be applicable.

#### 7.2 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

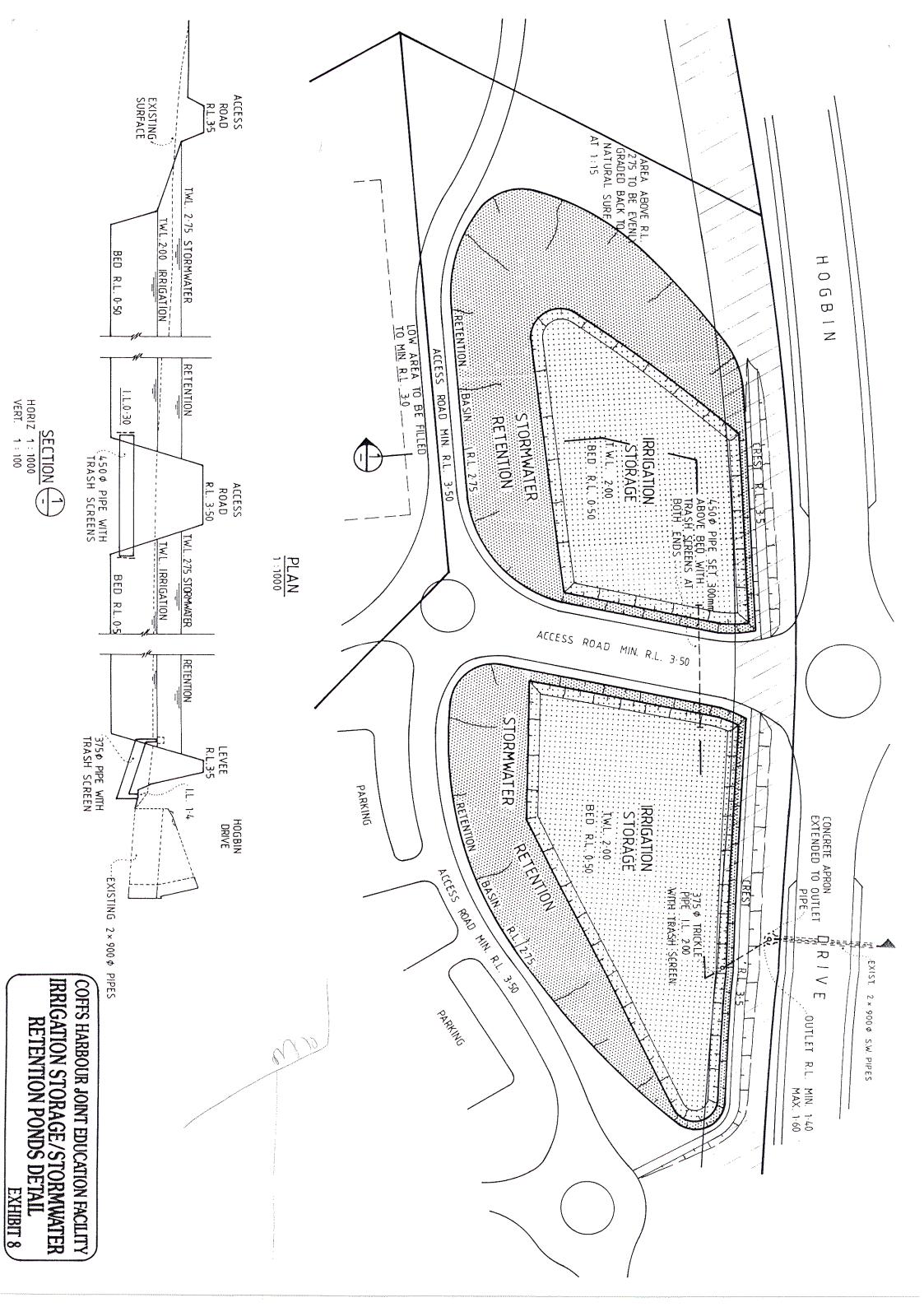
The stormwater management strategy is shown at Exhibit 11. It consists of a retention basin incorporated with the irrigation storage and trash screens located at every outlet to the creek. The retention basin will be required at Stage 1, with trash screens incorporated as design policy.

The Irrigation Management Service, N.S.W. Agriculture & Fisheries, was engaged to cost and design the combined retention/irrigation storage. The I.M.S. Study is shown at Appendix C. The detailed design is shown at Exhibit 8 and Appendices 3 and 4 of Appendix C.

The retention basin is designed to cater for a 1 in 100 year storm event. Normal practice for retention basins is to drain the design storm in less than 12 hours. So I.M.S. have designed a 12 M1 capacity basin with a restricted pipe outlet to drain the design storm event in 9.7 hours.

The basin will be located either side of the main entrance road, and will store 12 Ml at a depth of 0.75 metres. The retention bed of the basin will, under normal conditions, be empty and grassed to allow ease of maintenance.

I.M.S. advise that the estimated cost of the basin is \$28,000 for the embankment earthworks, and \$7,500 for the oulet pipework, giving a total cost of \$35,300. Construction of the basin and irrigation storage will result in a spoil surplus of 12,000 cubic metres. This spoil can be used in constructing playing fields on the High School site.







# **Appendix D: Proposed Stormwater Management Plan**

