

RECORD OF BRIEFING

NORTHERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 16 February 2022, 2:00 pm and 2:30pm
LOCATION	MS Teams videoconference

BRIEFING MATTER

PPSNTH-133 – Moree Plains – DA2021/53 - 2910 Gwydir Highway, Moree - Erection of a 4.95MW solar farm including associated works

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Paul Mitchell (Chair), Penny Holloway, Stephen Gow and Stephen Ritchie
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Leanne Ivanov, Murray Amos and Katrina Walker
DEPARTMENT	Carolyn Hunt, Cameron Brooks

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Site location and proposal overview
- RFI and response with a reduction in scale of development
- Key Issues
 - Visual impact site is adjoined by existing 3m high levee, significantly limiting the visual impact from highway traffic. No landscaping proposed. Glint and Glare Assessment concluded no impacts on traffic safety.
 - o Stormwater existing on-site stormwater management to be utilised
 - Traffic and access referral to TfNSW with additional information request in relation to the level of construction for safe traffic movement into/from the site, particularly during construction.
 - o Flooding site enclosed by approved levee. NRAR requested to provide confirmation on any necessary approvals due to location of existing (gated) watercourse on the site.
- Access to the site is to be addressed in the assessment report.
- Outstanding referrals include TfNSW, NRAR and Council's stormwater assessment.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR - TBA