

Modification of Minister's Approval

Section 75W of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*

As delegate of the Minister for Planning under delegation executed on 16 February 2015, I approve the modification of the project application referred to in schedule 1, subject to the conditions in schedule 2.


Director
Infrastructure Projects

Sydney

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2015

SCHEDULE 1

Project Approval:

1997-01-15 granted by the Minister for Urban Affairs and Planning on 15 January 1997.

Modification 1 – Approved on 5 March 1999 to allow for the relocation of the plant, an increase in the irrigation area and construction of an effluent main from the plant to Picton.

Modification 2 – Approved on 30 March 2009 to allow for the extension of the approved Service Area Boundary.

Modification 3 – Approved on 24 January 2013 to allow for additional connections from future growth areas identified for Picton, Tahmoor and Thirlmere within the current capacity of the plant.

For the following:

Picton Sewerage Scheme

Modification:

1997-01-15 MOD4:

The amplification of the Picton Water Recycling Plant to provide additional capacity to treat increased effluent. Including:

- two additional intermittently decanted extended aeration lagoons (IDALs);
- new inlet works and associated components to distribute flows to the existing and proposed IDALs;
- two additional sludge lagoons;
- a new chemical dosing unit (CDU) for pH correction;
- a new approximately 275m long pipeline to deliver chemicals from the chemical dosing unit to the Western Dam; and
- ancillary works.

SCHEDULE 2

CONDITIONS

GENERAL

Delete condition 1 and replace with the following:

1. The proposal shall be carried out in accordance with:
 - (a) the proposal contained in the environmental impact statement (EIS) Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme prepared for the Sydney Water Corporation by ERM Mitchell McCotter, dated January 1996 (hereafter referred to as 'the EIS'), subject to modifications to the proposal as described in Section 2.4 of the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme Director-General's Report, dated November 1996 (hereafter referred to as 'the Director-General's Report')
 - (b) the review of environmental factors (REF) Proposed Modifications to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme, Sydney Water TransUtilities Consortium, dated November 1998, the Representations Report dated 14 December 1998 and the Addendum to the Representations Report dated 29 January 1999, but excluding the connection of additional properties as defined in section 3.15 of the Representations Report dated 14 December 1998;
 - (c) all identified plans, safeguards and mitigation measures identified in the EIS, as summarised in Appendix B of the Director-General's Report, except as modified in accordance with the procedures, safeguards and mitigation measures presented in the review of environmental factors Proposed Modifications to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme, Sydney Water TransUtilities Consortium, dated November 1998, the Representations Report dated 14 December 1998 and the Addendum to the Representations Report dated 29 January 1999;
 - (d) the Request for Modification to Minister's approvals for the Jamberoo; Mulgoa, Wallacia and Silverdale; and Picton Sewerage Schemes prepared by Sydney Water, dated 24 November 2008, as amended by Sydney Water's email to the Department of Planning in relation to criteria for additional connections, dated 10 March 2009;
 - (e) the Request for Modification to the Minister's approval for the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme, dated 15 November 2011, the Modification to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme Assessment Report prepared by Sydney Water dated November 2011 and Submissions Report Modification to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme dated November 2012;
 - (f) the Modification to the Picton Water Recycling Plant Section 75W modification application, Environmental Assessment dated November 2014;
 - (g) the Submissions Report Modification to the Picton Water Recycling Plant dated March 2015; and
 - (h) the conditions of approval granted by the Minister.

Despite the above in the event of any inconsistency the later document shall prevail. The conditions of this approval shall prevail over any other document in the event of an inconsistency.

Any modification to the proposal which would be inconsistent with the conditions of approval shall only be carried out with the prior approval of the Minister.

It shall be the ultimate responsibility of Sydney Water to ensure compliance with the conditions of this approval.

These conditions do not relieve the Proponent of the obligation to obtain all other approvals and licences from all relevant authorities required under any other Act. Without affecting the generality of the foregoing, the Proponent shall comply with the terms and conditions of such approvals and licences.

LIMITS OF APPROVAL

Delete condition 1A and replace with the following:

- 1A Nothing in condition 1(d) and 1(h) authorises any additional connections where any resultant additional flows would result in the capacity of the Sewage Treatment Plant and re-use farm, as permitted by condition 1 being exceeded.

Delete condition 1B and replace with the following:

- 1B Sydney Water must, prior to authorising any additional connections under condition 1(d) or 1(h), review the uncommitted spare capacity and ensure that this capacity is sufficient to cater for proposed additional connections.