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Attn: Derek Smyth

Dear Sir,

SUBMISSION ON STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION SSD-30236074 AT 11 TILLEY LANE, FRENCHS FOREST

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW), part of the NSW Department of Education (DoE), wishes to provide comments to SSD-30236074 for the Northern Beaches Mental Health Hub.

SINSW has reviewed the supporting documents for SSD-30236074 and has identified issues requiring mitigations measures having regard to the site's proximity to two government schools, namely Arranounbai School, located at 5 Aquatic Drive, Frenchs Forest and the proposed Forest High School, Allambie Road, Allambie Heights. (SSD-26876801- currently under assessment).

Noise and Vibration:

SINSW acknowledges that there will be temporary construction noise and vibration disruptions. However, to ensure that Arranounbai School is not adversely impacted, SINSW requests that the highest impact construction works be undertaken outside of school hours, where possible.

SINSW also requests that Arranounbai School is notified at least once each week in advance of programmed construction works. This will ensure the school can appropriately respond and adjust operational procedures, where possible, or construction activities can be scheduled to avoid impacts on the school.

Further, if approved, and subject to construction timing, SINSW asks that similar mitigation measures are included to ensure that construction noise does not impact on the operation of the future Forest High School.

Traffic and Parking:

SINSW requests that construction work zones are not proposed in locations that will compromise pedestrian and vehicular access to Arranounbai School and the new Forest High School, including associated school drop-off and pick-up spaces to be located on Aquatic Drive. Furthermore, SINSW requests that construction vehicles, including delivery vehicles, do not enter and exit the proposed DA work site, using the eastern end of Aquatic Drive, during school drop-off and pick-up periods. This will ensure that safety and accessibility during drop-off and pick-up at both schools is not compromised as a result of the construction works.

Other suggestions to be included for construction vehicle management are:

- Avoidance of construction vehicle queuing that will cause blocking of access to the driveway at 5 Aquatic Drive, which is the primary access to Arranounbai School, and also a construction access to the new Forest HS and car park access for the new school on completion; and
- Construction workers be encouraged to use public transport and not park in Aquatic Drive to the east of its intersection with Tilley Lane.

Should you require any further information about this submission, please contact the SINSW Statutory Planning team at StatutoryPlanning@det.nsw.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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