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STATE SIGNIFICANT INFRASTRUCTURE APPLICATION SSI-56980459

THRUMSTER WASTEWATER SCHEME

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission in respect of the proposed Thrumster Waste Water Scheme, State Significant Infrastructure application currently on exhibition. We support this proposal, as it will provide a solution for both the existing Port Macquarie Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) over capacity, plus allow for the ongoing growth and development of the Thrumster Urban Growth Area.

We live on a property at 130 Sancrox Road Sancrox, approximately two (2) kilometres west of the proposed site at Fernbank Creek.

We acquired our property in 2000, at the same time Council acquired its Fernbank Creek landholding. We are aware that Council purchased the subject land for the purpose of providing a sewerage scheme for both the Thrumster and Sancrox growth areas.

Following acquisition of the subject land, Council included the land in the sewer drainage system for Thrumster, with an interim link to the Port Macquarie STP, via Hastings River Drive. With the growth of the Thrumster residential area, coupled with the growth of Port Macquarie itself, the existing STP in Lake Road Port Macquarie, is considerably now over capacity.

The proposed Thrumster Waste Water Scheme will not only serve the Thrumster area, but will allow for a transfer of capacity from Port Macquarie STP, to relieve capacity from that STP and allow for significantly better environmental outcomes in that location.

The proposed Thrumster Waste Water Scheme will also serve the proposed Sancrox Urban Release Area. A solution for sewerage service and effluent disposal is critical for the consideration of future urban growth for Port Macquarie west of the Pacific Highway.

The Thrumster Urban Growth Area, based around Sovereign Hills is rapidly taking up the available land supply in that area. A solution for sewerage and effluent management for both the Port Macquarie and Thrumster areas has now become urgent if future impacts from the existing Port Macquarie STP are to be avoided.

Thankyou for the opportunity to make this submission.

Yours Sincerely

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