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The General Manager  
Hunter Water

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Attention: Martin Robards

Dear Martin

**Enviroking Waste Management Facility  
John Renshaw Drive, Black Hill, Cessnock  
Lot 931 DP 816814**

As we discussed, we are preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for expansion of the existing Enviroking Waste Management Facility on John Renshaw Drive, Black Hill, near Cessnock – refer to Figure 1. We are presently awaiting revised Director-General's requirements from the Department of Planning and expect to receive these in the near future.

The existing facility is licensed by the Environment Protection Authority to treat grease trap and other liquid waste up to a capacity of 15,000 tonnes per annum, although the existing consent from Cessnock City Council only allowed treatment of 5,000 tonnes per annum. We propose an increase in capacity to 20,000 tonnes per annum.

The Department of Planning will require that we consult with Hunter Water and other agencies in relation to the application and we therefore seek your initial advice which we will take into account when preparing the environmental assessment for the project.

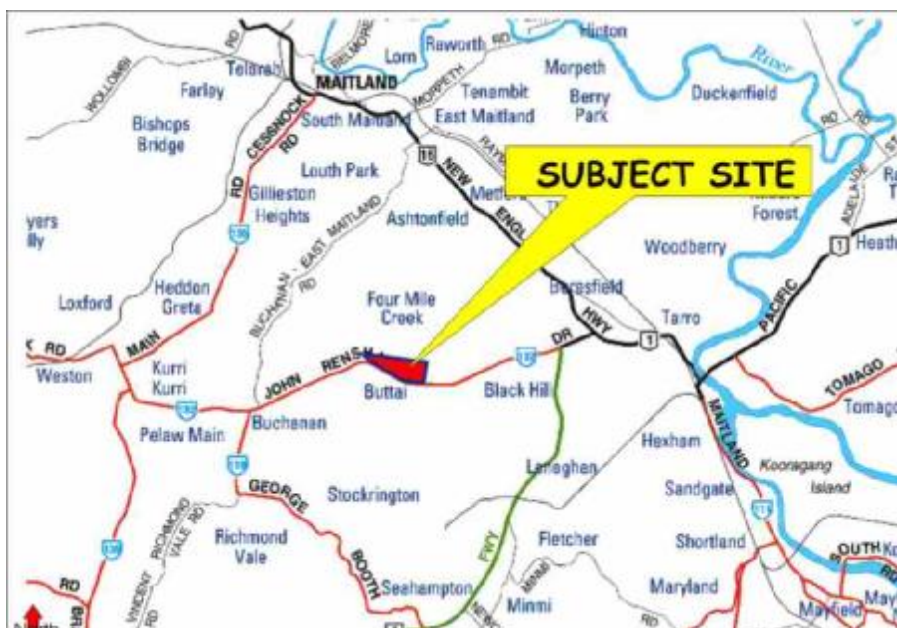


Figure 1 – Location Plan



We advise that we are also consulting with the Roads & Traffic Authority (in relation to the site access) and with Cessnock City Council (in relation to parking and other matters).

We understand that Enviroking currently disposes of treated waste to Hunter Water's facilities. The environmental assessment will consider disposal of treated liquid and sludge waste by land disposal (irrigation and injection respectively) whenever practical with the purpose of reducing discharge to sewer. We expect that treated waste will only be discharged to Hunter Water's facilities during extended periods of wet weather, or where the treated waste is derived from oily water and is not suitable for land disposal.

We estimate that approximately 5% to 7% of the collected volume (up to approximately 1400 tonnes per annum) will be discharged to Hunter Water, although it is our aim to reduce this volume as far as practical. The disposal arrangements will not change from the existing arrangements, except that Enviroking intends to acquire a larger semi-trailer tanker to reduce the number of journeys.

We would be pleased to receive your initial comments. We note that you will be provided with a draft copy of the environmental assessment during the exhibition period.

Roger Gain will be away from 29 August to 1 October. In that period, please contact Paul Grech should you require further information or wish to discuss this proposal.

Yours faithfully  
**DON FOX PLANNING PTY LTD**

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**ROGER GAIN**  
**DIRECTOR**

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