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Darryl Anderson
Director
Darryl Anderson Consulting Pty Ltd
8 Corporation Circuit
Tweed Heads South NSW 2086

25 July 2008

Your Ref: JAC 08/19
Our Ref: IN08/0907

Dear Darryl

Re: Response to Proposed 58 Lot Subdivision at Lots 2 & 3 DP 244652 Urlup Rd, Bilambil

The Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (NRCMA) has assessed your project description and draft Layout Plan and makes the following response at your request.

The proposal does not appear to conflict with or inhibit the achievement of any of the targets of the Northern Rivers Catchment Action Plan (CAP). The proposal may actually contribute towards achieving Biodiversity target B2 by improving the vegetation of the existing habitat corridors along the riparian zone of the creek.
(www.northern.cma.nsw.gov.au/region_catchment_action_plan.php)

Any amendments to this plan and implementation of the subdivision should not conflict with the targets and aspirations of the CAP.

It is recommended that if camphor laurels and other weeds are removed from the creek bank that they be replaced with a suite of local native riparian species that includes *Waterhousia floribunda* which is the dominant native riparian tree found on that creek in that area and *Lomandra hysterix* at the toe of the bank.

Please note also that depending on the zoning of the land, the works proposed with this subdivision (including riparian rehabilitation) may require a permit under the *Native Vegetation Act (2003)* for the removal of any native vegetation.

The applicant should consider all issues outlined and discussed in the publication *North Coast guide for avoiding and reducing rural land use conflict and interface issues* (Centre for Coastal Agricultural Landscapes – Southern Cross University, June 2007) which was produced by the NRCMA to help reduce landuse conflict at the interface between urban and rural environments.
(http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/research/alliances/centre_for_coastal_agricultural_landscapes/living-and-working-in-rural-areas)

Please contact Peter Boyd in our Murwillumbah office, on 66767 393, should you require clarification of our comments.

Yours sincerely



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General Manager