



10 June 2008

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Michael File
Director, Strategic Assessment
NSW Department of Planning
GPO Box 39
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Your ref: MP08_0096

Dear Mr File

**Re: Proposed Bayswood Retirement Living Village
– Major Project 08_0096
Cnr Jervis Bay and Naval College Roads, Vincentia**

I refer to your letter of 26 May 2008 requesting comments by the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) on the environmental assessment (EA) for the above major project application.

Issues Related to Fisheries

DPI has reviewed the Environmental Assessment Report (DFP Planning Consultants P/L dated May 2008) provided by the applicant. Based on the information provided, DPI has no objections to approval being granted for the proposed development provided all the proposed safeguards and measures to minimise environment impacts detailed in the Statement of Commitments (section 10 and Table 13) are fully implemented.

DPI particularly concurs with the proposed use of best practice Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) provisions in the development (including a combination of litter/sediment traps, bio-retention swales, water control ponds/wetlands and ongoing monitoring of water quality), as recommended in the Supplementary WSUD Study by Cardno Forbes Rigby (dated April 2008) and the Vincentia Coastal Village Water Sensitive Urban Design Study – Final Report by Forbes Rigby (dated January 2006). DPI also concurs with the proposed Soil and Water Management Plan prepared by Cardno Forbes Rigby (Appendix B, Drawing No. SK05 dated April 2008). Implementation of these measures is essential to safeguard the aquatic environment across the entire development footprint and mitigate impacts on water quality downstream.

If you require any further information, please contact me on 02) 4478 9103.

Yours faithfully

Trevor Daly
Fisheries Conservation Manager, South Coast