

### Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project – Main Works

The Department of Planning and Environment – Crown Lands has reviewed the proposal.

The Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project- Main Works Project Report does not clearly identify whether Crown land is affected, however several Crown roads and a Crown Reserve appear to be within/adjacent the Project area.

Crown road CadId 108368385 is contained within the project footprint, and a small section is identified as part of the proposed spoil haulage route. Several Crown roads also intersect the tailrace/tunnel route- see attached map. Authority to use, traverse, access or build infrastructure on Crown land and roads is required under the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and/or the *Roads Act 1993*. As authority to access or use Crown roads is required prior to the commencement of any works or access, and to avoid any delays for the proposal, a tenure may be required in the interim. More information regarding Crown roads can be found at the following links: <https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/access/roads>

Lot 7006 DP 1127314 (Reserve 91939) is a reserve for future public requirements. This parcel adjoins the proposed site area, to the south of Laydown/Works Area 3. Please see the attached map for location. If at any stage this parcel is required for the proposal or will be impacted in relation to operations associated with the proposal, a tenure may be required to authorise use of and/or access to the land. It is noted that the Reserve is currently the subject of an undetermined Aboriginal Land Claim, which may limit how the land can be used. Native Title will also need to be a consideration for the tenure.

Information regarding Native Title can be found at the below link:  
<https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/what-we-do/our-work/native-title>

Further information regarding Aboriginal Land Claims can be found at the following link:  
<https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/what-we-do/our-work/aboriginal-land-claims>

If infrastructure needs to be built on Crown land or roads, the consent of the Minister for Water, Property and Housing must be obtained, via Crown Lands, and constructed roads may need to be transferred to Council. Further information regarding land owner's consent for Crown land and roads can be found at the following link:  
[https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/144345/landowners-consent-application-form.pdf](https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0003/144345/landowners-consent-application-form.pdf)

It is recommended that the proponent contact Crown Lands as early as possible to discuss and initiate the processes required to authorise the use of and/or access to Crown land and roads.

**Lineal Infrastructure (e.g. Pipelines and/or Electricity Transmission lines) traversing Crown land/roads**

If lineal infrastructure (such as pipelines and/or electricity transmission lines) are expected to traverse Crown land, roads and/or waterways, an easement over said Crown land, roads and/or waterways will be required for protection of the infrastructure. To discuss easement requirements, please contact the Acquisitions team at the earliest opportunity at: [cl.acquisitions@crowmland.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cl.acquisitions@crowmland.nsw.gov.au).

Information regarding the easement process is available at the below link:  
<https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/use/easements>

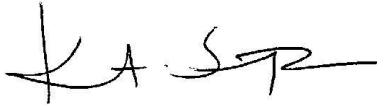
As the easement process may be lengthy, it is also recommended that the proponent apply for a licence for each Crown road and Crown land lot as soon as possible. A licence will temporarily authorise use and access for the infrastructure to traverse Crown roads and Crown land whilst the easement applications are being processed.

Details on how to apply for a licence are available at the below link:  
<https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/use/licences>

It is important to note that authority must be in place before Crown land or roads can be used, traversed, accessed or infrastructure can be built.

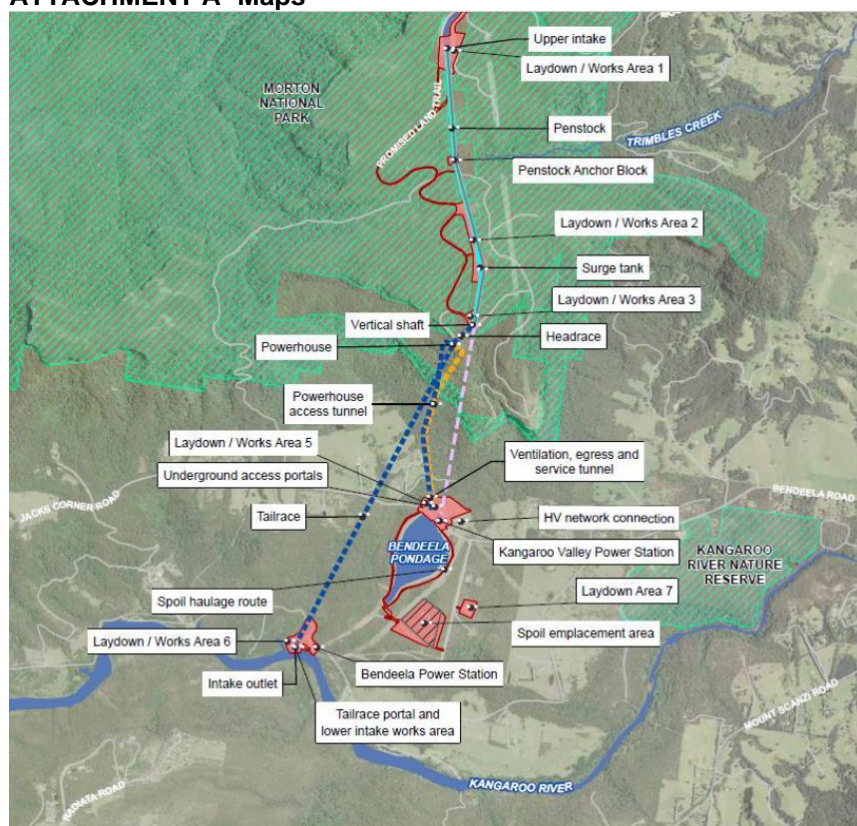
If the proponent requires further information, or has any questions, please contact Lisa Collins, Senior Natural Resources Management Officer in Crown Lands, on 0437697147 or at [lisa.collins@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lisa.collins@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

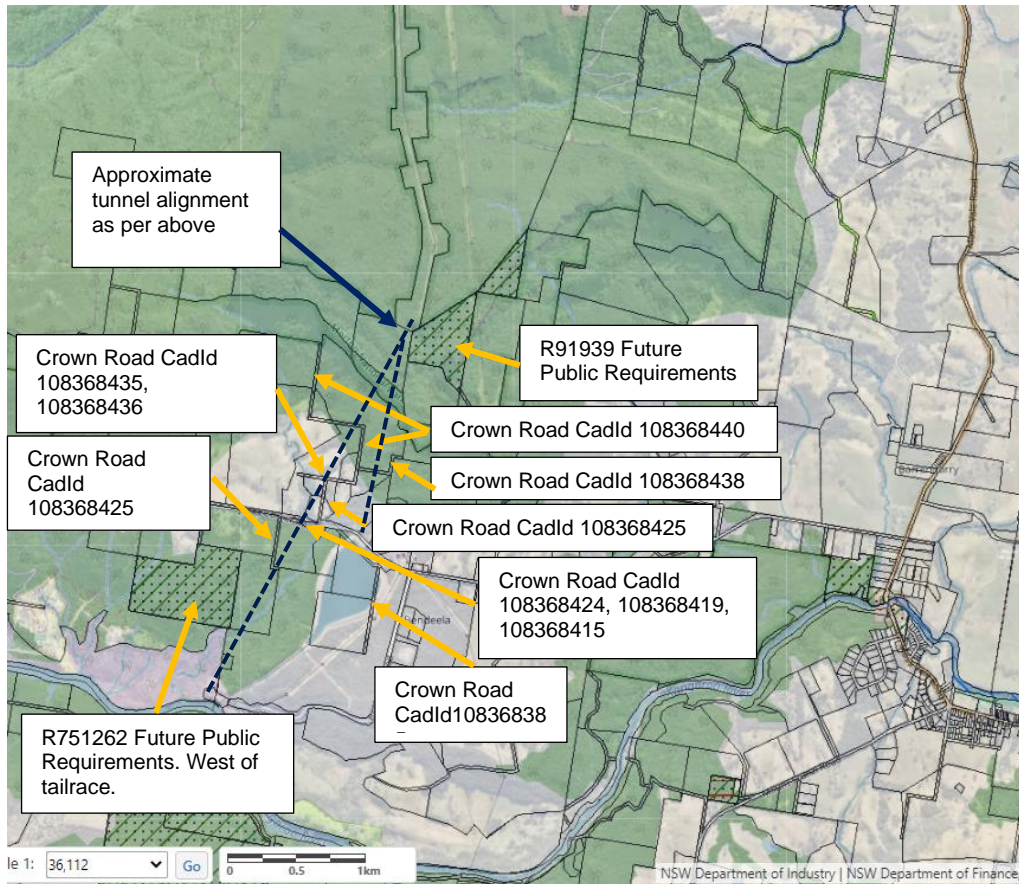
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## ATTACHMENT A- Maps

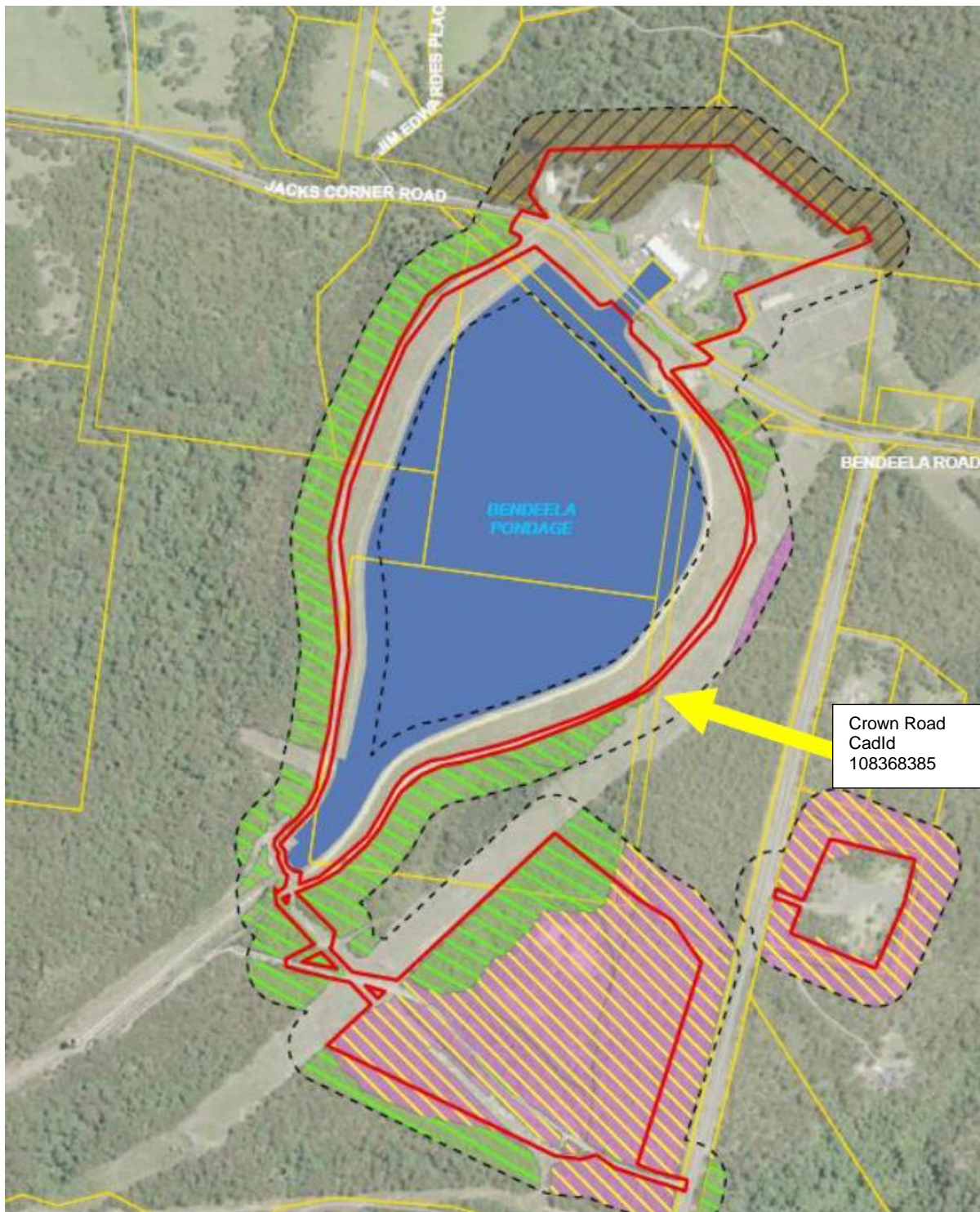


1. Figure 1E- Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Report- Indicative Project layout (Environmental Impact Statement Summary)



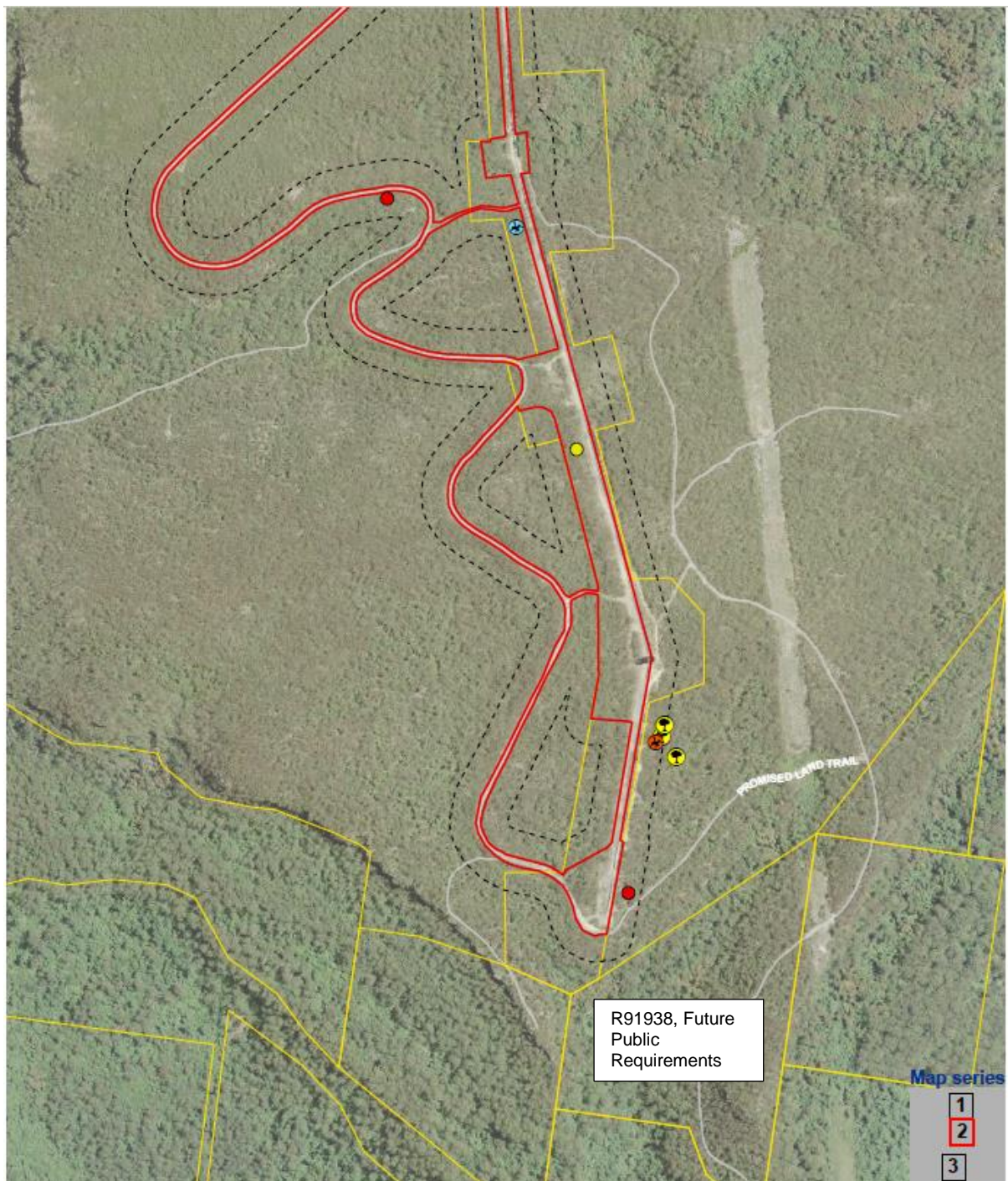
2. CrownView map showing location of Crown Roads + Reserves intersecting/ in vicinity of the indicative tunnel alignment + Project area





3. Figure 5.3 (Appendix F). Project area shown in red, intersects Crown Road as shown





4. Figure 6.5 (Appendix F). Project area is show in red. Crown land in proximity (south)