



Our ref: DOC20/311655-2

Your ref: SSD-10434

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Dear Nicholas

Request to waive requirement for BDAR under s.7.9 of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 – ET Australia School, Gosford (SSD-10434)

I refer to the request from Wildthing Environmental Consultants to waive the requirement for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) to be submitted with the proposed State Significant Development (SSD 10434) application for the ET Australia School proposal, located at 125 Donnison Street and 171 Mann Street (Lot 11 DP746819 and Lot 100 DP1220146) in Gosford.

I have reviewed the information provided by the applicant in the BDAR waiver application dated 20 April 2020 and determined that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. The application, therefore, does not need to be accompanied by a BDAR.

Please note BCD have identified that the BDAR waiver application incorrectly uses the wrong project ID (SSD-9813 in Section 2.1.2 *Project Information*), which relates to a different SSD development also located on Donnison Street, Gosford. The BDAR waiver application assessed relates to the ET Australia School proposal. As such, this waiver only applies to SSD-10434.

The determination is attached for you to provide to the applicant.

Please note that if the proposed development is changed so that it is no longer as described in Schedule 1 of the determination, the applicant will need to lodge a new waiver request or prepare a BDAR.

Also attached for your information is the decision report prepared by Energy, Environment and Science Group (EES). The decision report should not be provided to the applicant without EES approval.

Please contact Steven Cox, Senior Team Leader Planning, on 4927 3140 or via email at rog.hcc@environment.nsw.gov.au, should you have any further queries regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely



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Date: 5 May 2020

Enclosure: Attachments 1 and 2