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From: Christopher Fraser
Sent: Monday, 26 April 2021 2:37 PM
To: Sam Coles
Subject: SSD-15605372 - Fire & Rescue NSW SEARs advices - ReDirect Resource Recovery Facility St Marys - 65 Dunheved Rd, St Marys

Hi Sam,

Further to the Department's 1st April 2021 SEARs advice for the above, where it was noted Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW) were yet to provide comments, would you please see SEARs advices from FRNSW at the end of this email. For any other enquiries on the above matter feel free to make contact using my details attached.

Thank you,

Regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, 14 April 2021 12:06 PM
To: Sheelagh Laguna <Sheelagh.Laguna@planning.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Major Projects – New Request for Advice - ReDirect Resource Recovery Facility St Marys (SSD-15605372) (Penrith)

Attn: **Sheelagh**

Please find attached FRNSW correspondence in regards to the above premises.

If you have any further queries regarding this matter, please contact the Fire Safety Branch on 02 9742 7434 quoting your reference number from our previous correspondence.

Regards,
Kat Malapetsas



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Attention Sheelagh,

sheelagh.laguna@planning.nsw.gov.au

Thank you for your submission for the above development to Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW) for agency review and input into preparation of SEARs.

It has been the experience of FRNSW that waste recycling and resource recovery facilities pose unique challenges to firefighters when responding to and managing an incident. Factors such as high and potentially hazardous fuel loads, facility layout, and design of fire safety systems have a significant impact on the ability to conduct firefighting operations safely and effectively. Consultation with organisations such as FRNSW throughout the development process enables the design and implementation of more effective fire and life safety solutions that help to mitigate the impact of incidents when they occur.

It is understood that ReDirect Resource Recovery Facility (the Applicant) is proposing to develop a resource recovery facility and landfill in St Mary's, NSW. It is proposed to accept streams including; construction and demolition waste, plastics, glass, tyres, contaminated soils and green organics.

FRNSW submit the following comments and recommendations for consideration in developing the SEARs.

- It is stated within the scoping report submitted in support of the request for SEARs that *“The proposed development is expected to have only minor amounts of chemicals and dangerous goods stored on site and, therefore, is unlikely to trigger the thresholds listed in SEPP No. 33 – Hazardous and Offensive Development and would not fit the definition of ‘potentially hazardous industry’ or ‘hazardous storage establishment’.*” Furthermore, *Section 6.5 Environmental Hazards and Risks* of the scoping report notes that *“a preliminary risk screening would be undertaken to determine whether the proposed development is assessable under SEPP33.”* FRNSW recommend that these screening assessments be included within the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

- It is recommended that a requirement be included within the SEARs such that consideration be given to FRNSW's fire safety guideline *Fire safety in waste facilities* in preparation of the EIS. (https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_fire_safety_in_waste_facilities.pdf)
- It is recommended that a requirement be included within the SEARs such that consideration be given to FRNSW's fire safety guideline *Guidelines for bulk storage or rubber tyres* in preparation of the EIS. (https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/rubber_tyres.pdf)
- It is recommended that a requirement be included within the SEARs such that consideration be given to the Tyre Stewardship Australia's guideline for *Best Practice Guidelines for Tyre Storage and Fire and Emergency Preparedness* in preparation of the EIS.

If you have any queries regarding the above please contact the Fire Safety Infrastructure Liaison Unit, referencing FRNSW file number BFS21/949. Please ensure that all correspondence in relation to this matter is submitted electronically to firesafety@fire.nsw.gov.au

Regards,



Superintendent John Hawes

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