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Attention: Sarah Roach

Dear Ms Warton



RE: State Significant Development Application (SSD 5307-2012) for a new hospital complex at 1614 Tathra Road, Bega

Thank you for notifying the Heritage Council of the proposed construction of a new hospital complex at 1614 Tathra Road, Bega. The Heritage Branch notes the following in relation to the project:

- The Branch notes that in section 9.6.1 'Assessment of Key Issues' of the Environmental Statement for the Bega Valley Health Services Development, that a search of *National Register* and the Heritage Branch's database indicated that no historic heritage items are present on the subject site;
- An Aboriginal Heritage Impact Assessment has been undertaken by RPS. It is understood by the Heritage Branch this proposal has also been referred to the Environmental Regulatory Protection Group of the Office Environment and Heritage for assessment of Aboriginal cultural issues.

It is recommended that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure seek clarification as to whether the proposed development site has any potential for historic archaeology and if so what archaeological management strategies are proposed.

Subject to further information being provided, regarding historic archaeology, the following condition of consent is recommended for inclusion in any approval for the proposed scheme:

- The Applicant must ensure that if historic archaeological deposits/relics are discovered, the Heritage Council must be notified in writing in accordance with section 146 of the Heritage Act. Work must cease in the affected area(s) and a suitably qualified and experienced archaeologist must be contacted to assess the archaeological material. Additional assessment and approval may be required prior to works continuing in the affected area(s) based on the nature of the discovery.

I trust this information is of assistance. If you have any further enquiries regarding this matter, please contact Tracy Appel on (02) 9873 8559.

Yours sincerely



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