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Attention: Megan Fu (megan.fu@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Dear Sir,

SSD 6848 – Lismore Base Hospital Redevelopment and New Car Park Stage 3B

I refer to your letter of 30 January 2015 regarding the abovementioned major project and the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) referred to Roads and Maritime Services for consideration.

Roles & Responsibilities

The key interests for Roads and Maritime Services are the safety and efficiency of the state road network, traffic management, the integrity of infrastructure assets and the integration of land use and transport.

Lismore Shire Council is the 'Roads Authority' for all roads in the subject area. Council is responsible for setting standards and determining priorities on these roads.

Roads and Maritime's consent is required for the installation of Traffic Control Signals (TCS) on any road under Section 87 of the *Roads Act 1993*.

Roads and Maritime Response

Roads and Maritime has undertaken a peer review of the "*Lismore Hospital Stage 3B Works and Multi-Storey Car Park Traffic and Parking Report*" and considered the capacity of the existing state road network to manage the proposed traffic flows. Generally it was found that the impact on the state road network is expected to be minimal.

In relation to the local road network the following comments are provided:

1. Traffic Control Signals (TCS) have been suggested for the junction of Uralba/Little Uralba Streets to manage turning movements for service vehicles. Roads and Maritime's consent for the installation is required under the *Roads Act 1993*.

Based on the information provided, it should be noted that the necessary traffic volume warrants for the installation of TCS at this junction may not be met. It is suggested that road safety requirements along the length of Uralba Street should be further considered.

Roads & Maritime Services

2. Roads and Maritime supports Council's view in relation to the need to maintain traffic flow along Uralba Street whilst ensuring the safety of pedestrians using the marked pedestrian crossing.

Due to the construction of the new multi-storey car park a uniform pedestrian desire line will likely emerge across Uralba Street. There may be a need to install TCS on Uralba Street to facilitate safe and efficient pedestrian movements. Alternatively an overpass may be more appropriate.

It would be desirable to further consider the merits of the available options to identify future requirements and appropriate trigger points to ensure any impact on pedestrian safety or traffic efficiency is adequately addressed.

3. All service vehicles should be required to enter and leave the servicing area in Little Uralba Street in a forward manner. Reversing along or across a public road is not supported. It may be appropriate to consider implementation of a Traffic Management Plan to manage this activity.
4. In accordance with the Delegation to Councils for the Regulation of Traffic the installation of any regulatory devices on local roads or within road related areas, including marked pedestrian crossings and parking signs, require the endorsement of the Local Traffic Committee (LTC) prior to Council approval.

Advice to Consent Authority

If you have any further enquiries regarding the above comments please do not hesitate to contact Liz Smith, Manager Land Use Assessment on (02) 6640 1362 or email development.northern@rms.nsw.gov.au

Yours faithfully



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