



Claire Muir
Town Planning Advisor
Health Infrastructure NSW
77 Pacific Highway
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Our ref: SSD-8981-PA-42

18/10/2022

Dear Ms. Muir,

**Coffs Harbour Hospital Expansion (SSD-8981)
Operational Bushfire Emergency Management Plan, Condition D9**

I refer to the Operational Bushfire Emergency Management Plan (OBEMP) submitted to seek satisfaction of the Planning Secretary under condition D9 of the project development consent for the Coffs Harbour Hospital Expansion (SSD-8981). I also acknowledge and thank you for your response to the Department's review comments and requests for additional information.

I note that the updated OBEMP:

- has been reviewed by the Applicant, and no issues have been raised with the Department;
- has been prepared in consultation with the hospital administration, NSW Rural Fire Service, Ambulance and Police;
- has been peer reviewed by an experienced Bushfire Consultant 'Geolink' including incorporation of their recommendations;
- contains the information required by condition D9; and
- has been submitted to the Planning Secretary prior to the commencement of operation of the hospital.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I am satisfied that the updated Bushfire Emergency Management and Evacuation Plan, Version 4 dated 7 October 2022, has been prepared in accordance with condition D9 of SSD-8981.

I remind you that the OBEMP is a sub-plan of the Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) under condition D3 of the consent where the Certifying Authority's satisfaction is required as per condition D4 of SSD-8981. Further, the OEMP (and sub-plans) is required to be reviewed, as required, to maintain safety of all users of the hospital campus.

Also, I remind you that the final approved OBEMP is to be submitted to the Local Bushfire Management Committee, in accordance with condition D10, and the Department for our record.

Please note that if there are any inconsistency between the submitted documents and the conditions of consent, then the requirements of the conditions of consent will prevail.

Moreover, please place the final OBEMP on the project website for public access once endorsed by the Mid North Coast Local Health District.

If you have any questions, please contact Matt Wood at matthew.wood@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D Crinnion". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dominic Crinnion
Acting Director
Infrastructure Management

As nominee of the Secretary