



Ref: SSD 9262

Chris Forrester
Ethos Urban
173 Sussex Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Mr Forrester,

Thank you for your correspondence received on 17 April 2018, seeking a waiver for the requirement to include a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) for the State Significant Development (SSD) application for the proposed University of Newcastle – Honeysuckle City Campus Development (SSD 9262).

The Department of Planning and Environment has reviewed the information in support of the request, in addition to consulting with the Office of Environment and Heritage, and has determined that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values and that there is no need for the SSD application to include a BDAR.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact James Groundwater, Planning Services, at the Department on (02) 8228 6778.

Yours sincerely,

Ben Lusher
Director
Key Sites Assessments
(as nominee of the Secretary)

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James Groundwater
Senior Planning Officer, Key Sites Assessments
Department of Planning and Environment
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Dear James

Request to waive requirement for BDAR – University of Newcastle, Honeysuckle City Campus Development - 16 Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle (SSD 9262)

I refer to the request from University of Newcastle (prepared by Ethos Urban and dated 17 April 2018) to waive the requirement for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) to be submitted with the State significant development (SSD 9262) application for Honeysuckle City Campus Development.

I have reviewed the information provided by the applicant and determined that the proposed development as described in Ethos Urban correspondence is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. Therefore, the application does not need to be accompanied by a BDAR. The determination is attached for you to provide to the applicant.

Also attached for your information is OEH's decision report.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Steven Cox, Senior Team Leader, Planning Hunter Central Coast, on 4927 3140.

Yours sincerely



27/4/2018

SHARON MOLLOY
Director Hunter Central Coast Branch
Regional Operations Division

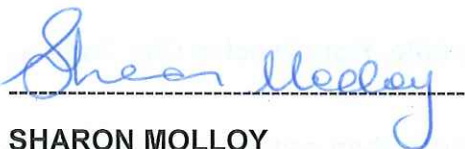
- Encl. 1. OEH Determination
 2. OEH Decision report

Attachment 1 – OEH DETERMINATION

Determination under clause 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016

I, Sharon Molloy, Director Hunter Central Coast Branch, of the Office of Environment and Heritage, under clause 7.9(2) of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, determine that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values and therefore a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report is not required

Proposed development means the development as described in Ethos Urban correspondence (dated 17 April 2018) and Schedule 1. If the proposed development is changed so that it is no longer consistent with this description, a further waiver request is required.



SHARON MOLLOY

Director Hunter Central Coast Branch

Regional Operations Division



Date

SCHEDULE 1 – Description of the proposed development

State Significant Development (SSD 9262) under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* for a Concept Plan for the development of the University of Newcastle, Honeysuckle City Campus Project, located at 16 Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle (Lots 1-3 DP1163346, Lot 21 DP1165985, Lot 2 DP1226145). The proposed development is within the Newcastle City local government area.



Figure 1 Aerial Image of the Site
Source: Nearmap