

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

I, Louisa Clark, Director Greater Sydney, of the Department of Planning and Environment, under section 7.9(2) of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, consider that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. Therefore, a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report is not required.

Proposed development means the development as described in DOC23/660936 and Schedule 1. If the proposed development changes so that it is no longer consistent with this description, a further waiver request is required.



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Date

SCHEDULE 1 – Description of the proposed development

The State Significant Development Application (SSDA) will seek approval for the Circular Quay renewal, as detailed in the BDAR by Stantec Australia Pty Ltd dated 19 June 2023. This BDAR waiver is for the terrestrial portion of the project. Potential impacts of the project on aquatic biodiversity values have not been assessed and does not form part of this BDAR waiver request.

The Project includes the following key features:

- replacement of the existing wharves, including Wharf 1, with new accessible wharves
- replacement and widening of the southern promenade
- upgrades to Circular Quay Station, including new escalators and lifts
- replacement of operational facilities, including new staff amenities
- new built form to the east and west of the existing station
- renewal of First Fleet Park
- new and upgraded public amenities including provision for retail uses.

The study area is shown at Figure 1. Figure 2 shows the site highlighted in red with ground truthed vegetation. Figure 3 shows the proposed development.



Figure 1: Study area



Legend

Study Area

Hollow-bearing Tree

Ground-truthed Vegetation

Planted Native/Exotic

Notes:

1. Map displayed in GDA 1994 MGA Zone 56

References:

1. Aerial imagery supplied by Esri (April, 2022)

2. Crundwell (NSW 55 2019)



Figure 2: Subject site showing ground truthed vegetation