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Attention: Mr Christopher Fraser

Dear Christopher,

RE: SSI-57056461 COWARRA WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

We refer to the abovementioned matter and write as the owner of Lots 51, 53 & 54 DP 776844 and Lot 3 DP 236807, 56 Billabong Drive, Sancrox.

The location of the subject land with respect to the North Arm Trunk Main component of the works is shown on Figure 1 below.

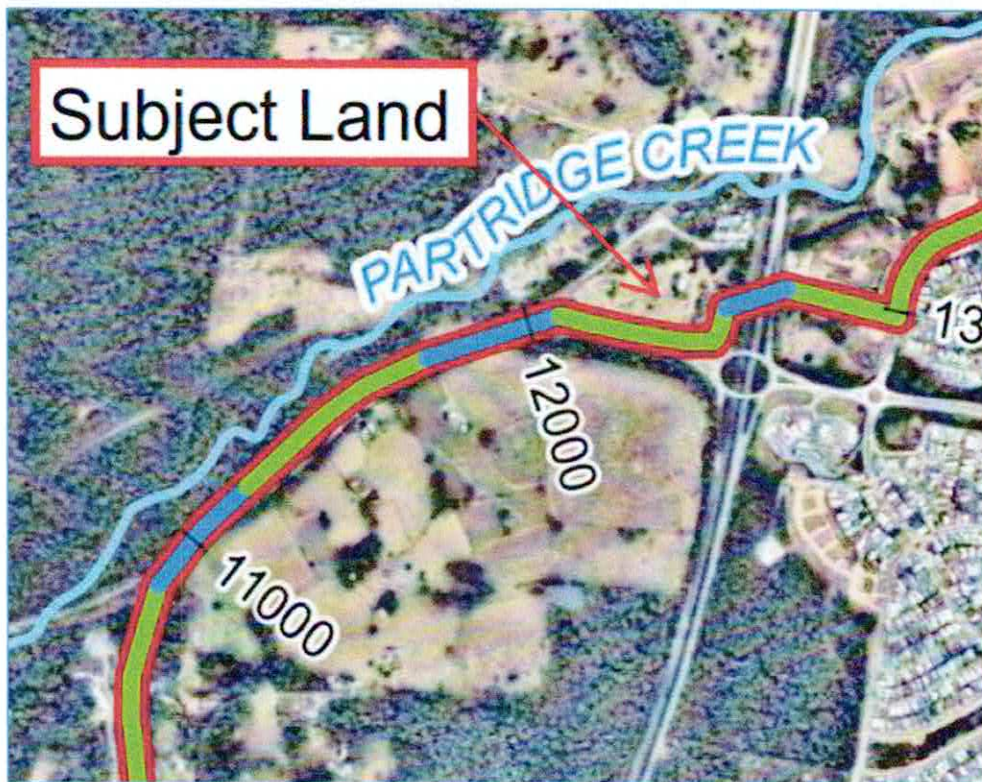


Figure 1: Location of Subject Land with Respect to Proposed NATM Route

We also refer to our site meeting with Mr Rob Serventi in March 2024 where we advised that it would be our preference that the route of the North Arm Trunk Main did not cross the property and that the existing asbestos cement pipe was removed from the land.

In this regard, we write seeking further information with respect to the alignment of the North Arm Trunk Main (NATM) and the treatment of redundant utilities waste.

### 1. Alignment of the North Arm Trunk Main

Following as Figure 2 is an extract from DP 776844 identifying the subject lots and the existing Easement for Water Supply Purposes 5 Wide and Variable Width (highlighted red) which encumbers Lot 51 DP 776844. Further, Figure 2 identifies that this easement (and therefore potentially the route of a watermain) also encumbers the adjoining Lot 56 DP 776844, which we understand was dedicated as road reserve and now forms part of the Oxley Highway.

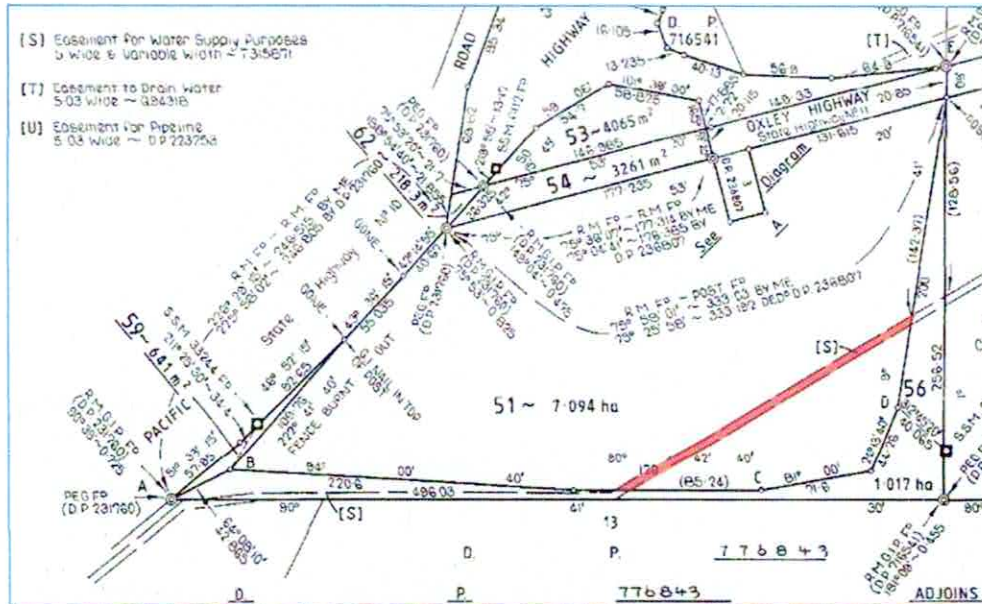


Figure 2: Extract from DP 776844

Based on Council's online services search tool we understand that an existing 525mm diameter AC (asbestos cement) watermain is located generally in accordance with the existing easement within Lot 51 DP 776844 (refer Figure 3 below).



Figure 3: Extract from Port Macquarie Hastings Council Underground Services Search

Figure 3.7 of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) identifies that the proposed route of the NATM will no longer cross the southeastern corner of the property and instead will follow the Oxley Highway and Pacific Highway property boundaries (refer Figure 4 below).

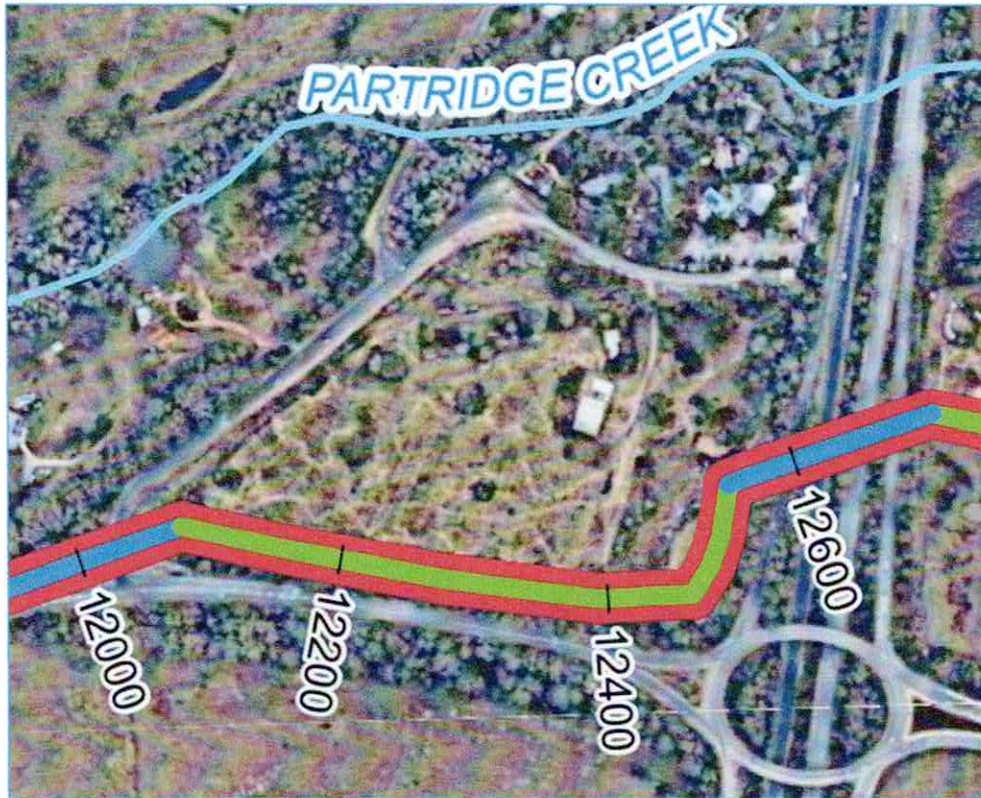


Figure 4: Extract from Figure 3.7 of the Environmental Impact Statement

In this regard, we confirm our support for not crossing the property within the site of the existing easement and seek further information illustrating where the proposed NATM will be located with respect to the property boundaries. With respect to the location of the NATM we confirm that it is our preference that it is located within the adjoining road reserve (partly being Lot 56 DP 768844 in Figure 2) and not on Lot 51 DP 768844.

## 2. Treatment of Redundant Utilities Waste

As noted in Figure 3 above, an existing 525mm diameter asbestos cement watermain is currently located in the southeastern corner of the land. Based on the proposed NATM route, it appears that the existing 525mm diameter asbestos cement pipe will become redundant.

Under Section 3.3.2 Construction Methodology of the EIS (page 49), it is identified that site demobilisation would typically include the removal of materials, waste and redundant structures not required during operation of the project (refer Figure 5 below).

### Site demobilisation and surface rehabilitation

Demobilisation and site rehabilitation would be undertaken progressively throughout the project and would include the following typical activities:

- Demobilisation of construction compounds and temporary amenities
- Removal of materials, waste and redundant structures not required during operation of the project
- Removal of temporary environment controls and temporary site buildings and fences

Disturbed areas would be restored to their previous condition as far as practicable. Some disturbed areas would be landscaped, which would include replacement of topsoil and establishment of grass or suitable vegetation. Topsoil stockpiled during the project would be reused for revegetation and rehabilitation work, where applicable.

Figure 5: Extract from Section 3.3.2 of the Environmental Impact Statement

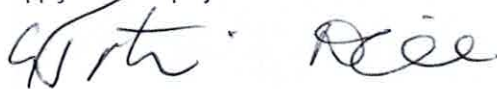
In addition, in Table 15.3 of Section 15.3.1 Waste Generation & Management of the EIS, a waste type of redundant utilities waste (wiring and piping) is identified, however, there is no discussion about what is proposed with redundant utilities waste (refer to Figure 6 below).

	Requirements
General building and construction waste (concrete, asphalt, timber, scrap metals, cable and packaging materials etc) and redundant utilities waste (wiring and piping)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- General building and construction waste would be classified in accordance with the Waste Classification Guidelines (NSW EPA 2014a) and directed to a waste management facility that is lawfully permitted to accept that type of waste.</li><li>- General building and construction waste would be managed in accordance with the waste hierarchy.</li></ul>

Figure 6: Extract from Table 15.3 of the Environmental Impact Statement

In this regard we seek confirmation that the existing 525mm diameter asbestos cement pipe within the land, which is proposed to be made redundant, will be excavated and disposed of off-site.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission with respect to the Cowarra Water Supply Scheme project. We look forward to receiving your reply.



Yours sincerely  
Swingaway Pty Ltd