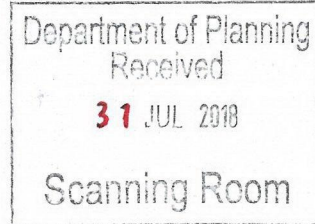


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Dear Mr Gibson

New Macksville Hospital, Old Coast Road, North Macksville (SSD 9103)

I refer to the New Macksville Hospital, Old Coast Road, North Macksville (SSD 9103)

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) issued for SEARs for New Macksville Hospital (SSD 9103) on 23/02/2018.

The EPA notes the New Macksville Hospital involves construction works including:

- Construction of a three storey building (including basement level) for the provision of clinical services including community health, sub-acute in patient unit, acute in-patient unit, maternity unit, emergency department, operating theatre and associated administration areas;
- Construction of an at-grade car parking area comprising 150 car parking spaces;
- And Associated landscaping, signage, infrastructure and service works.

The EPA has considered the details of the proposal as provided and advises that there are two potential scheduled activities under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 that may require an Environmental Protection Licence (EPL):

- Helicopter-related activities.
- land-based extractive activity.

Should these activities occur on the premises at the scale indicated in Attachment A of this letter, then an EPL will be required.

Please contact Peter Lynch on (02) 6640 2502, if you require any further information or want to clarify any details.

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment A: Scheduled activities

20 Helicopter-related activities

- (1) This clause applies to a **"helicopter-related activity"**, meaning the landing, taking-off or parking of helicopters (including the use of terminals and the use of buildings for the parking, servicing or maintenance of helicopters), being an activity:
- (a) that has an intended use of more than 30 flight movements per week (where take-off and landing are separate flight movements), and
- (b) that is conducted within 1 kilometre of a dwelling not associated with the landing, taking-off or parking of helicopters,
but not including an activity that is carried out exclusively for the purposes of emergency aeromedical evacuation, retrieval or rescue.
- (2) The activity to which this clause applies is declared to be a scheduled activity.

19 Extractive activities

- (1) This clause applies to the following activities:
"land-based extractive activity", meaning the extraction, processing or storage of extractive materials, either for sale or re-use, by means of excavation, blasting, tunnelling, quarrying or other such land-based methods.
- (2) In this clause,
"extractive materials" means clay, sand, soil, stone, gravel, rock, sandstone or similar substances that are not minerals within the meaning of the *Mining Act 1992*.
- (3) Each activity referred to in Column 1 of the Table to this clause is declared to be a scheduled activity if it meets the criteria set out in Column 2 of that Table.

Table

| Column 1 | Column 2 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Activity | Criteria |
| land-based extractive activity | involves the extraction, processing or storage of more than 30,000 tonnes per year of extractive materials |
| water-based extractive activity | involves the extraction of more than 30,000 cubic metres per year of extractive materials |