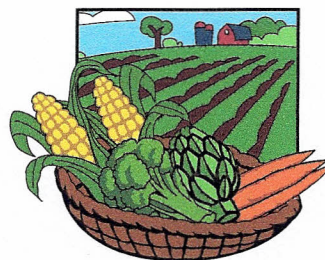


**CUDGEN ORGANICS** ABN 53 089 509 923



Ken & Lyndel Small

194 Tweed Coast Road

CUDGEN NSW 2487

Ph: (02)6674 1254 Fax: (02)6674 5552

Mobile: 0431 087 025

Email: [cudgenorganics@iprimus.com.au](mailto:cudgenorganics@iprimus.com.au)

12<sup>th</sup> December, 2011

Attention: Director-Metropolitan and Regional Projects North  
NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

Comments Re: Application No 08-0194 - Kings Forest, Kingscliff NSW 2487

Dear Sir,

We own and manage a Certified Organic farm on Lot 132 Tweed Coast Road Cudgen and would like to express our concerns on some issues of the Kings Forest development by Proponent Project 28 Pty Ltd. Our first concern is regarding the drain that since the 1950's has carried storm and flood water runoff from our property and adjoining properties at the end of the Cudgen plateau. The drain currently runs from our farm past the edge of Precinct 2 and under both Old Bogangar road and Tweed Coast Road, exiting into Cudgen Creek.

The area where the drain runs under Old Bogangar Road has been washed away at least 3 times in my life time during heavy rain periods. My concern is that this drain needs to be upgraded as well as regularly maintained so that it can, given the forecast of climate change and the intersection development, be able to cope with the volume of flood and storm water runoff needing to escape to the eastern side of Tweed Coast road and into Cudgen Creek. The proposed road entrance and associated intersection works must not impede or reduce its capacity in fact I believe it would be prudent to increase its capacity. If this drain is not maintained properly it will result in the waters backing up and causing flooding and crop damage to the State Significant farmland as well as the houses in this area and of course the intersection itself could be compromised.

On a second matter we would like to raise our concerns with regards to the entrance to our property. We were led to believe by Council that the entrance into Kings Forest would be a major roundabout, however we have found 2 sets of plans on the website one for a roundabout and one showing a major intersection. If the entrance becomes an intersection then a solution to entry and exit to ours and other farmer's properties on Tweed Coast Road will become a concern. As a producing vegetable farm we have large freight trucks, fuel tankers and farm supply trucks as well as ourselves and our staff entering our driveway daily, mostly from the north. We are worried that when the road is upgraded to four lanes and with the projected increase in traffic volumes that entering from the north will become too hazardous. If the Kings Forest entrance is a roundabout, then entrance from the south becomes an option, visiting traffic would be able to travel down around the roundabout and travel back up Tweed Coast Road to

enter our property safely, however this will require upgrade work to our property entrance. If the option of an intersection instead of roundabout is implemented we can envisage all traffic needing to enter our farm and others on this road, having to first travel south, enter Kings Forest parkway and travel to the first internal roundabout in Kings Forest so that they can turn around to return to properties on the western side of Tweed Coast Road from the south.

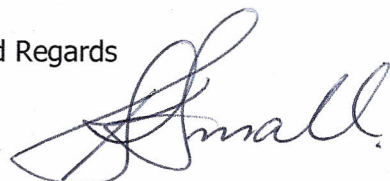
We have the full support of the Tweed Fruit & Vegetable Association of which Ken is a committee member regarding these concerns.

It is not our intension to impede the development of Kings Forest because it is imperative that any proposed drainage and traffic plans will work for everybody concerned in this rural community.

We would like to ask for a sign to be erected on this road to ask truck drivers to refrain from compression braking as noise levels are quite high and extremely irritating.

We would like to meet with Project 28 and TSC representatives to discuss our concerns.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ken Small', written in a cursive style.

Ken Small  
Cudgen Organics  
Committee Member – Tweed Vegetable Growers Association

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lyndel Small', written in a cursive style.

Lyndel Small  
Cudgen Organics