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NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure
GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001
Attention: Ms Belinda Scott

Dear Ms Scott,

Subject: Submission regarding Modification to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme proposal on exhibition – Letter of Support

We are writing on behalf of RSL LifeCare in support of the Sydney Water Modification to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme proposal that was recently exhibited on the Department's website. RSL LifeCare fully supports Sydney Water's ongoing investment in the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme that will allow provision of additional sewerage capacity to the region, having recently become a landowner in the locality.

RSL LifeCare is making this submission to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure as an interested landowner having recently purchased the Queen Victoria Memorial Home (QVMH) site from NSW Health (please refer attached site plan showing location of RSL LifeCare landholding i.e. 'Location Plan').

RSL LifeCare is a large, charitable organisation committed to providing for the needs of veterans and all senior Australians. Consistent with community expectations, RSL LifeCare proposes significant investment to provide a range of facilities and services for aged on the site providing a continuum of care enabling seniors to age in place in an environment that is a vibrant and living community.

RSL LifeCare has recently lodged a development application with Wollondilly Council to extend the existing nursing home on the site by 60 beds, with a request lodged to Sydney Water to connect the nursing home facilities to the Sydney Water sewer in Bridge Street. RSL LifeCare requests that this recent application to connect the 130 bed nursing home to Sydney Water sewer be given favourable consideration and be taken into account in the design of the Scheme expansion.

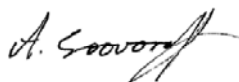
In accordance with the Sydney Water requirements RSL LifeCare understands and is willing to comply with the following:

- Exhibit a willingness to comply with Sydney Water connection requirements; and
- Exhibit an existing relevant planning approval obtained under EP&A Act (this development application is currently with Wollondilly Council).

RSL LifeCare is also planning further investment to expand the range of aged care facilities on the site to cater for local demand for these services in the region. This future expansion will require additional sewer capacity and therefore RSL LifeCare requests that Sydney Water consider allocating additional capacity to the Site in its Scheme expansion design to cater for the substantial community benefits that these facilities will bring. Provision of sewer capacity to the site by Sydney Water will significantly aid in the provision and viability of these facilities.

To this end, RSL LifeCare requests that Sydney Water consult further with them regarding the allocation of additional capacity in the Modification to the Picton Regional Sewerage Scheme project to cater for future expansion of aged care facilities on the QVMH site, as these aged care services would provide a valuable community benefit to the region.

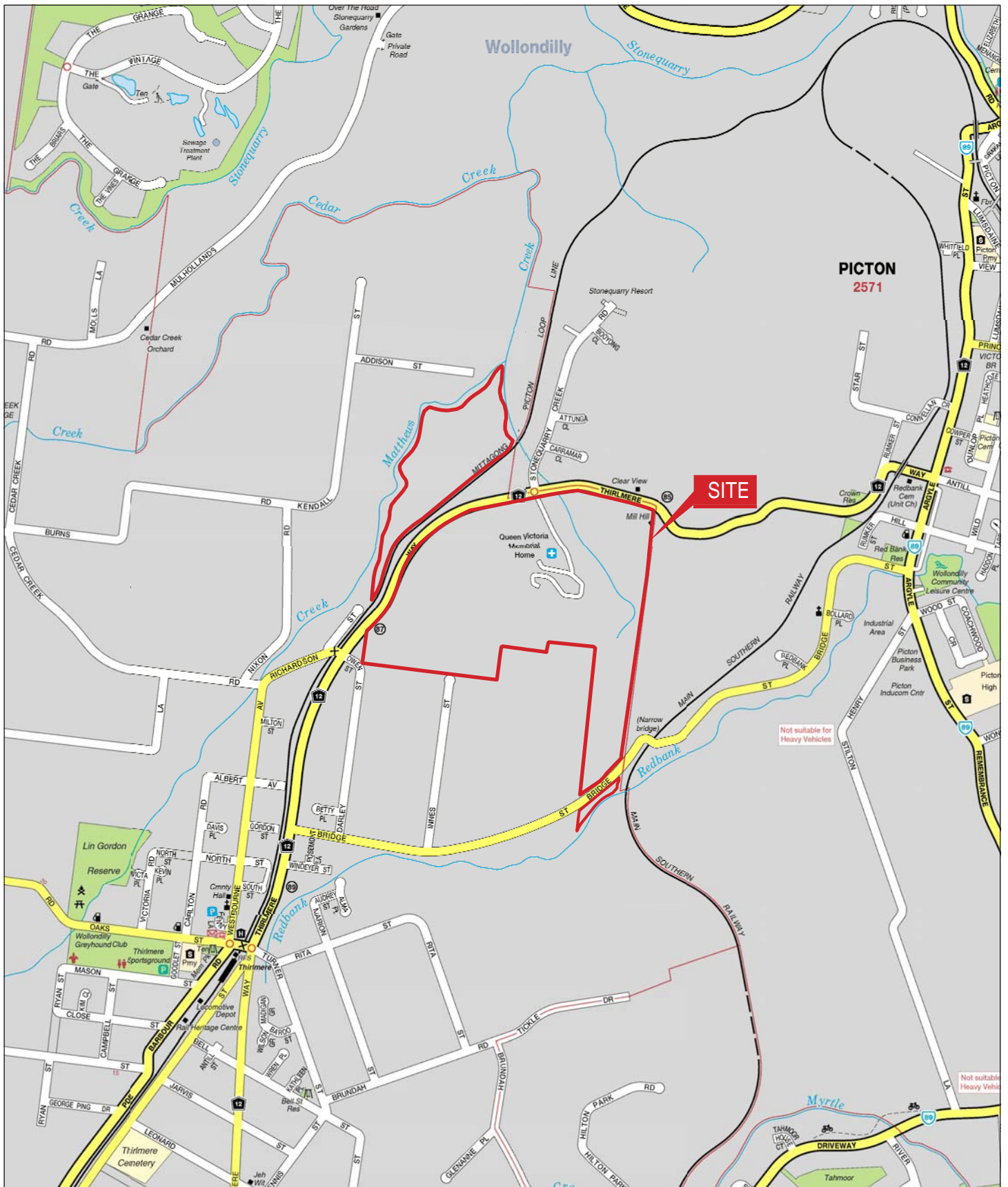
Yours sincerely,



Alex Soovoroff

Project Director, TSA Management Pty Ltd

Attachment QVMH Site Location Plan



SOURCE: UBD 2009



QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL HOME RSL LIFECARE LAND OWNERSHIP

FIGURE 1
LOCATION PLAN