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15 November 2018

Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Ellen Jones

Dear Sir/Madam,

Preliminary Submission – Queensland to Hunter Gas Pipeline Modification 1 – MP 06_0286 MOD 1

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the application by Hunter Gas Pipeline Pty Ltd to modify its development consent for the Queensland to Hunter Gas Pipeline.

It is understood that the proposed modification seeks to extend the project lapse date for a further five (5) years.

Upper Hunter Shire Council has reviewed the Environmental Assessment accompanying the modification application and provides the following comments:

- 1. The approved route of the gas pipeline overlaps and/or intersects a proposed water pipeline from Scone to Murrurundi at a number of locations between Wingen and Murrurundi. Plans of the two pipeline routes are attached. It is requested that the proponent contact Council to discuss the implications of the overlapping routes.
- 2. It is understood that the pipeline will include off-take points at regional towns along the route to allow for local gas reticulation. Council would support the provision of off-take points to supply Murrurundi, Scone and Aberdeen.
- 3. Should the proposed modification be approved, it is recommended that a condition of consent be imposed requiring the proponent to enter into a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) with Council. The requirement for a VPA is considered to be reasonable given that the proposed modification is seeking an extension to the lapse date of the consent.

Please note that this is a preliminary submission only. A final submission will be forwarded to the Department by 27 November 2018 following its endorsement by Council.

Should you have any guestions, please contact Council's Director Environmental & Community Services, Mathew Pringle on 6540 1139.

Yours faithfully

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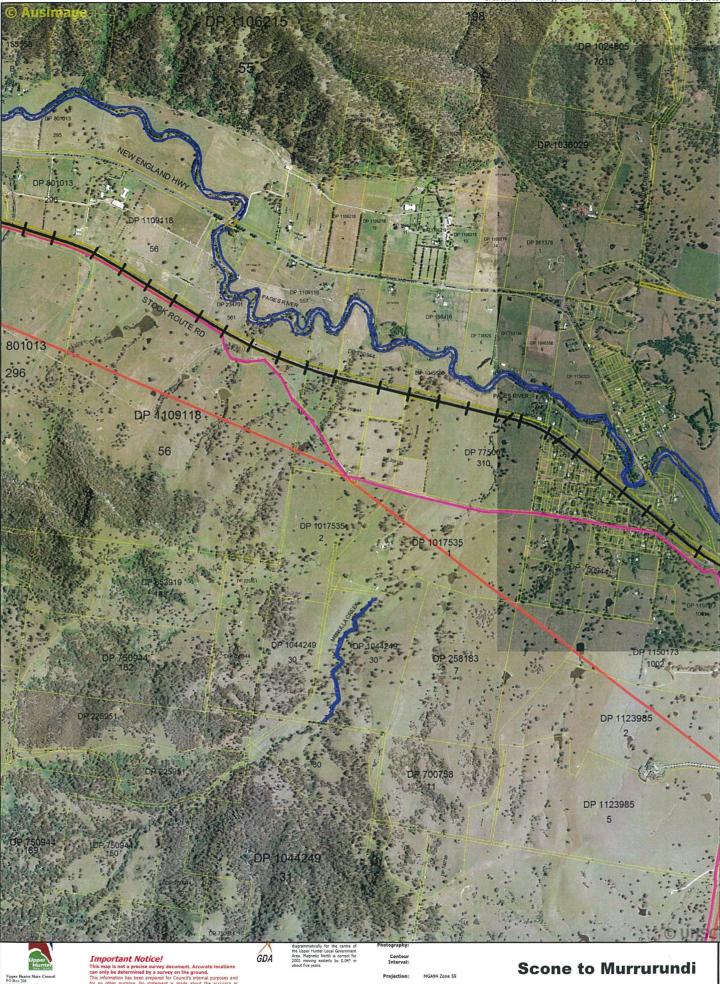
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