



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Your reference: SSD-9874
Our reference: DA20191105000854-Original-1

ATTENTION: Rob Beckett

Date: Tuesday 12 November 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

Development Application

Other - Part3A - Other

Walla Walla NSW AUS, 1//DP1069452, 17//DP753735, 87//DP753735, 16//DP753735, 21//DP753735, 20//DP753735, 118//DP753735, 108//DP753735, 109//DP753735, 89//DP753735, 88//DP753735

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above proposal which was received by the NSW Rural Fire Service on 25/10/2019.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has considered the information submitted and notes that the proposed development has the potential to increase the level of bush fire risk within the landscape and, the development may be impacted upon during a bush fire event. As such, the proposed development should incorporate the following bushfire protection measures:

1. A draft Fire Management Plan (FMP) shall be prepared for the proposed development and provided to the local NSW RFS District Office for comment. Any return comment from the District shall be adopted into an amended FMP. As a minimum, the FMP shall include:

- 24-hour emergency contact details including alternative telephone contact;
- Site infrastructure plan;
- Fire fighting water supply plan that provides suitable fittings and identifies operational access for fire fighting vehicles to connection points;
- Site access and internal road plan that has been designed and constructed in accordance with the fire trail specifications defined in section 4.1.3(3) of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006*;
- Construction of asset protection zones (APZ) around all critical assets and infrastructure and their continued maintenance;
- Location of hazards (physical, chemical, and electrical) that will impact on the fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during the fire fighting operations;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent fire occurring within the site, and prevent fire escaping the site and developing into a bush/grass fire risk to the surrounding area; and
- Such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office.

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2. The entire solar array development footprint shall be managed as an asset protection zone as outlined within section 4.1.3 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006* and the NSW RFS document *Standards for asset protection zones*.

3. To allow for emergency service personnel to undertake property protection activities, a 10-metre defendable space, managed as an asset protection zone, shall be provided around the buildings, substation, battery storage units, around the outside perimeter of the solar array, and around all areas of unmanaged vegetation being retained within the site.

4. An access road designed and constructed to comply with the specifications outlined in section 4.1.3(3) of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006* shall be provided along the property boundary/fence line and around all areas of unmanaged vegetation being retained within the site.

5. All proposed internal roads shall comply with the design and construction specifications outlined in section 4.1.3(3) of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006*.

6. A minimum 20,000-litre water supply (tank) fitted with a 65mm Storz fitting shall be located adjoining the internal property access road within the required asset protection zone.

7. All landscaping within the site shall comply with the principles of Appendix 5 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006*.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Bradley Bourke on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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