

File No: NTH15/00009 Your Ref: (MP 10_0160_MOD6)

Resource and Energy Assessments Department of Planning GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Tim Stuckey

Dear Sir / Madam,

White Rock Wind Farm (MP10_0160_MOD_6) Proposed Modification.

I refer to your email of 8 February 2018 requesting comment from Roads and Maritime Services in relation to the abovementioned modification.

Roles and Responsibilities

The key interests for Roads and Maritime Services are the safety and efficiency of the road network, traffic management, integrity of infrastructure assets and the integration of land use and transport.

The New England and Gwydir Highways are classified (State) roads (a highway) under the Roads Act 1993 (Roads Act). Council is the roads authority for all public roads (other than freeways or Crown roads) within the local government area pursuant to Section 7 of the Roads Act. Roads and Maritime is the roads authority for freeways and can exercise roads authority functions for classified roads in accordance with the Roads Act. Any proposed works on a classified (State) road will require the consent of Roads and Maritime. Consent is provided under the terms of a Works Authorisation Deed (WAD).

Roads and Maritime Response

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the information provided and the following comments are provided for the proposed modification;

- The impacts on the transport routes will need to be assessed due to the proposed increase in the size of the wind turbines and vehicle swept paths. Initial advice indicates that the 85m length might not be compatible with the previous transport route along the New England Highway from Newcastle.
- The approved Construction Traffic Access Management Plan (CTAMP) will need to be reviewed and updated by a suitably qualified person to cater for any impacts on the road network to the satisfaction of Councils along the transport route and Roads and Maritime. This would need to include contingencies for any event that could have an impact on the road network and transport.
- The CTAMP should contain Traffic Control Plans that are designed in accordance with the current version of Roads and Maritimes "Traffic Control at Worksite Manual".

Any new access or works proposed on a classified road should be designed in accordance with the current Austroads Guidelines, Australian Standards and Roads and Maritime Supplements.

If you have any further enquiries regarding the above comments please do not hesitate to contact John Perkins A/Manager Land Use Assessment on (02) 6640 1362 or via email at: <u>development.northern@rms.nsw.gov.au</u>

Yours faithfully

7 March 2018

for Liz Smith A/Network & Safety Manager, Northern Region