



## NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



The Secretary  
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Your Ref: SSD 8437  
Our Ref: D17/1551  
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**ATTENTION:** Tim Stuckey

15 December 2017

Dear Mr Stuckey

**Agency Comment:- Currawarra Solar Farm Project (SSD 8437) Lot 40 DP756344, Lot 109 DP756305, Lot 110 DP756305, Lot 106 DP756305, and Lot 105 DP756305; Russells Road, Mayrung Road and Sunny Pines Road Mayrung**

I refer to your correspondence dated 20 November 2017 seeking NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) input to the above State Significant Development proposal.

The subject land is not mapped bush fire prone by Edwards River Shire Council however the site and adjoining lands consists of grass and woodland vegetation formations. Further NSW RFS is the primary response agency for fighting fires within the site.

The NSW RFS has reviewed the Environment Assessment and has no objections to its content relating to structural fire, grass fire risks and proposed management actions.

The NSW RFS recommends the following conditions be included in any approval granted:

1. A Bush Fire Management Plan (BFMP) will be prepared in consultation with NSW RFS District Fire Control Centre. The BFMP shall include:
  - 24/7 contact details including alternative telephone contact;
  - Site infrastructure plan;
  - Fire fighting water supply plan;
  - Site access and internal road plan;
  - Construction of asset protection zones and their continued maintenance;
  - Location of hazards (Physical, Chemical and Electrical) that will impact on fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during fire fighting operations;
  - Such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office (Plan review and update).

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2. The entire solar array development site to be managed as an Asset Protection Zone as outlined within section 4.1.3 and Appendix 5 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006' and the NSW Rural Fire Service's document 'Standards for asset protection zones'.
3. To allow for emergency service personnel to undertake property protection activities, a 10 metre defendable space that permits unobstructed vehicle access is to be provided around the perimeter of the solar array development site.
4. A minimum 20,000 litre dedicated water supply shall be located adjacent to the main internal road. The water supply shall have a hard stand surface within 4 metres of the supply.  
If the water supply is to be within a storage tank, the tank(s) shall be:
  - Constructed of steel or concrete materials;
  - Fitted with a 65 mm Storz fitting or similar (as agreed by the District fire Control Centre)
  - All external fittings shall be of made of metal.

For any queries regarding this correspondence please contact Alan Bawden on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours Sincerely



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*The RFS has made getting information easier. For general information on 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection, 2006', visit the RFS web page at [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au) and search under 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection, 2006'.*