



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



The Secretary
Department of Planning and Environment
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Your reference: SSD 8803
Our reference: D17/3594

14 December 2017

Attention: Rose-Anne Hawkeswood

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice of Exhibition – Jemalong Solar Farm

Reference is made to correspondence dated 21 November 2017 seeking comments on the State Significant Development Application and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared in relation to the above site in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has reviewed the information provided and advises that it has no objection to the proposal subject to the following conditions:

1. A Fire Management Plan (FMP) shall be prepared for the proposed facility in consultation with the local NSW RFS District Office. The FMP shall include:
 - 24 hour emergency 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 the fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during the fire fighting operations
 - such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office.
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*.

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3. A 10 metre defensible space, managed as an asset protection zone, shall be provided around the perimeter of the solar array development site to allow for emergency service personnel to undertake property protection activities.
4. A 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.

If you have any queries regarding this advice, please contact Development Assessment and Planning on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,



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