



## NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



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

Your reference: SSD 0998  
Our reference: D18/7589  
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**Attention:** Jack Murphy

24 October 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

### Part 3A - State Significant Development Application - Sebastopol Solar Farm

I refer to your letter dated 10 October 2018 seeking comment in relation to bush fire protection for the above proposal in accordance with Part 5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has reviewed the environmental assessment and the following conditions are recommended:

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; and
  - 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*.
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.

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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 Bradley Bourke on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,



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