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Attention: Pamela Morales, Senior Planner, Department of Planning and Environment

Dear Ms Bakopanos

## North Byron Parklands Cultural Events Site, Yelgun (Concept Plan) – Notice of Exhibition

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS – part of the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)) manages Billinudgel Nature Reserve, which adjoins the proposed development area. NPWS has a legal responsibility to protect the cultural and natural heritage values of this reserve.

The Regional Operations Division of OEH is preparing a submission on behalf of OEH, including NPWS. It is understood an extension for the OEH submission has been granted until 27 February. The extension allows time for a site inspection on 23 February to be attended by OEH staff, the proponent and one of the specialists who prepared the Environmental Impact Statement.

NPWS has concerns regarding the proposed development impacting on the biodiversity and other values of Billinudgel Nature Reserve. Detailed comments will be included in the combined OEH submission. In the meantime, please note that most issues of key concern to NPWS are covered within the *Guidelines for Developments Adjoining OEH Land and Water*, which can be downloaded at: http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/parks-reserves-and-protected-areas/development-guidelines.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Ranger for Billinudgel Nature Reserve, Lori Cameron, on (02) 6670 8606.

Yours sincerely

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