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Our Ref: OUT11/021

Sebastian Tauni
NSW Department of Planning
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SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sebastian

Re: Proposed residential subdivision at Lot 112 DP 1073791 Lyons Road North Bonville

Thank you for your letter dated 21 January 2011 offering the opportunity to comment on the above proposal. The Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (NRCMA) has reviewed the above documents and conducted a site inspection of the subject site.

The NRCMA has developed a Catchment Action Plan (CAP) with community stakeholders for the Northern Rivers region. The CAP was developed through considerable consultation with key stakeholders including Local Government and sets out a range of natural resource management targets which the Northern Rivers community aims to achieve. A copy of the CAP is available from our Grafton office or on line at www.northern.cma.nsw.gov.au.

The NRCMA is also responsible for the dissemination of information and the approval processes of the *Native Vegetation Act 2003 (NVA)*.

The NRCMA has assessed the proposal from the report and offer the following suggestions;

1. The Environmental Assessment (EA) should demonstrate consistency with the targets and intent of the Northern Rivers CAP.
2. The site is excluded from the *Native Vegetation Act* (2003) due to being zoned as Residential 2(A). We strongly support the area zoned as Environmental Protection 7A be acquired and managed by NPWS. Additionally we endorse and encourage native vegetation plantings along the gully lines and low lying areas on the northern portion of the property as they will provide a corridor for fauna to traverse the property. We also support controls on domestic and feral animals to ensure the maintenance of native fauna and a buffer to limit the spread of weeds.

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3. In relation to potential landuse conflict occurring between urban development and high conservation value habitat areas. The NRCMA suggests that you refer to North Coast guide for avoiding and reducing land use conflict and interface issues which can be found at;
(http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/research/alliances/centre_for_coastal_agricultural_landscapes/living-and-working-in-rural-areas).

If you require further information or clarification of our comments please contact Simon Proust , Catchment Coordinator based in our Coffs Harbour office on phone 02 6653 0111 or email simon.proust@cma.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Tkachenko', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Deb Tkachenko
General Manager