

Notice of decision

Section 2.22 and clause 20 of Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Application type	State significant development
Application number	SSD-10467
Project name	Macquarie Park Data Centre
Applicant	Stockland Trust Management Limited
Consent authority	Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

Decision

The Director, Industry Assessments under delegation from the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has, under section 4.38 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) granted consent to the development application subject to the recommended conditions.

A copy of the development consent and conditions is available [here](#).

A copy of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (the Department's) Assessment Report is available [here](#).

Date of decision

28 May 2021

Reasons for decision

The following matters were taken into consideration in making this decision:

- the relevant matters listed in section 4.15 of the Act and the additional matters listed in the statutory context section of the Department's Assessment Report;
- the prescribed matters under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*;
- the objects of the Act;
- all information submitted to the Department during the assessment of the development application;
- the findings and recommendations in the Department's Assessment Report; and
- the views of the community about the project (see **Attachment 1**).

The findings and recommendations set out in the Department's Assessment Report were accepted and adopted as the reasons for making this decision.

The key reasons for granting consent to the development application are as follows:

- the development would provide a range of benefits for the region and the State as a whole, including a capital investment of approximately \$263 million and the generation of up to 400 construction jobs and 50 knowledge-intensive operational jobs in the Ryde local government area;
- the development is consistent with NSW Government policies including the *Greater Sydney Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities* and the *Eastern City District Plan*;
- the impacts on the community and the environment can be appropriately minimised, managed or offset to an acceptable level, in accordance with applicable NSW Government policies and standards;
- the issues raised by City of Ryde Council and the relevant government authorities during consultation and in submissions have been considered and adequately addressed through the recommended conditions of consent;
- no issues were raised by the community during consultation and in submissions; and
- weighing all relevant considerations, the development is in the public interest.

Attachment 1 – Consideration of Community Views

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) exhibited the Environmental Impact Statement for the development from 20 November 2020 until 18 December 2020 (29 days), and received submissions from City of Ryde Council (Council), Transport for NSW, the Environment Protection Authority, Fire and Rescue NSW, Sydney Water and WaterNSW. A submission was also received from Ausgrid.

The issues raised by Council, the relevant government authorities and the local electricity provider are addressed in detail in the Department's Assessment Report.

No public submissions were received during the exhibition period, therefore there were no issues raised by the community. There were no other community views that needed to be taken into consideration in making this decision.