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Keiran Thomas
Director,
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Re: MP05_0038-Mod-1

Dear Keiran,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above modification application.

As considerable time has passed since we made comment on the original Buildex/Illidge application we wish to advise you that KIC has considerably more understanding of koala usage & data of the surrounding landscape of this proposed subdivision.

The years of drought conditions followed by the horrendous fires 2019/2020 in the area, including the State Forest adjacent the proposed site, have undeniably had a detrimental impact on the koala population using the area. The loss of habitat/recovering habitat in this area has displaced koalas putting them in harm's way looking for food & shelter. The Bucketts Way near the Illidge property has been a site that several koalas have been reported crossing in this current Koala Breeding Season.

It is imperative that Koala Habitat in this area is protected for the ongoing future of the koalas who survived the fires.

Regards,

Paul McLeod,
President.

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