

16 May 2019

Department of Planning & Environment  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

**APPLICATION NO:** (Our Ref. 25-2019-1-1)

**PROPOSAL:** Karuah South Quarry (SSD 8795)

**PROPERTY:** Blue Rock Close, KARUAH 2324

ATTN: Anthony Barnes

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your correspondence dated 11 April 2019 requesting Council's comments for the above development. Council has given consideration to the likely impacts of the proposal and makes the following comments to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

The proposed development relates to the expansion of the Karuah South Quarry, located in Mid-Coast Council with access proposed via Pacific Highway. Therefore it is considered issues around traffic, social and the environment will be considered and assessed by Mid Coast Council as the development occurs within their Local Government Area (LGA).

### Development Contributions

- In accordance with Council's Development Contribution Plan 2007, Council collects a road haulage levy of 5c/t/km that goes towards the maintenance of roads along that haulage route. It should be noted that this only applies to roads within Council's ownership and control.
- It is noted within the Traffic and Transport Assessment that quarry products would be transported via the Pacific Highway, which is under the care and control of Roads and Maritime Services. Therefore Council's road haulage levy would not be applicable along any section of the proposed haulage route.
- Therefore Council would have no objections in terms of developer contributions, nor would we require a condition of consent for the payment of contributions towards Port Stephens Council for the upkeep of local roads. However, it is requested that should the haulage route be amended, that Council be kept aware of this and be afforded the opportunity for further comments.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed development. If you wish to discuss the matters raised above or have any questions, please contact me on the number below and I will be happy to help.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jessica Franklin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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