

# **Natural Environment Referral Response - Flood**

Application Number:	DA2024/0819
Proposed Development:	Demolition works and construction of a dual occupancy
Date:	18/09/2024
То:	Anaiis Sarkissian
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 12 DP 7236 , 8 Seabeach Avenue MONA VALE NSW 2103

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- All Development Applications on land below the 1 in100 year flood level;
- All Development Applications located on land below the Probable Maximum Flood levels.

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely impacts on drainage regimes.

#### Officer comments

The proposal is for demolition of the existing dwelling and construction of a dual occupancy dwelling. The proposed dwellings have two floors, garages and raised lawn features in the backyard.

The site is within the Medium Risk Flood Precinct. The site has the following flood characteristics:

- Flood Planning Level: 4.46m AHD
- 1% AEP Flood Level: 3.96m AHD
- 1% AEP Hydraulic Category: Flood Storage & Flood Fringe
- Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) Level: 4.54m AHD
- PMF Life Hazard Category: H3

The floor level of the proposal is at the FPL. The proposed garage level is above the 1% AEP. The removal of the raised beds means that the proposal generally complies.

Subject to the following conditions, the proposal generally complies with Section B3.11 of the Pittwater DCP and Clause 5.21 of the Pittwater LEP.

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

#### **Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:**

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# CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

### Flood effects caused by development

There is to be no filling of the land or any other reduction of the available flood storage which results in a net loss of storage below the 1% AEP flood level of 3.96m AHD.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval.

Reason: To reduce the impact of flooding and flood liability on owners and occupiers of flood-prone property and reduce public and private losses in accordance with Council and NSW Government policy.

# **Building components and structural soundness**

B1 - All new development below the Flood Planning Level of 4.46m AHD shall be designed and constructed from flood compatible materials.

B2 -The shelter in place refuge must be designed to ensure structural integrity up to the Probable Maximum Flood level of 4.54m AHD, with the remainder of the new development designed to ensure structural integrity up to the Flood Planning Level of 4.46m AHD. The forces of floodwater, debris load, wave action, buoyancy and immersion must all be considered.

B3 - All new and existing electrical equipment, power points, wiring and connections must be located above the Flood Planning Level of 4.46m AHD, protected from flood water or have residual current devices installed to cut electricity supply during flood events.

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#### Floor levels

C1 - New floor levels within the development shall be set at or above the Flood Planning Level of 4.46m AHD.

C3 - The underfloor area of the dwelling below the 1% AEP flood level is to be designed to allow clear passage of floodwaters. At least 50% of the perimeter of the underfloor area must be of an open design from the natural ground level up to the 1% AEP flood level.

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# **Emergency response**

- E1 The shelter-in-place refuge must:
  - a) Have a floor level at or above the Probable Maximum Flood level of XX m AHD; and
  - b) Have a floor space that provides at least 1m² per person; and
  - c) Be intrinsically accessible to all people on the site, plainly evident, and self-directing, with sufficient capacity of access routes for all occupants without reliance on electrical means.

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# **Fencing**

New fencing (including pool fencing, boundary fencing, balcony balustrades and accessway balustrades) shall be open to allow for the unimpeded movement of flood waters. It must be designed with a minimum of 50% open area along any straight length, from the natural ground level up to the 1% AEP flood level. Openings shall be a minimum of 75mm x 75mm.

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