

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

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| Application Number: | Mod2021/1003 |
| Date: | 24/01/2022 |
| Responsible Officer | Clare Costanzo |
| Land to be developed (Address): | Lot 6 DP 541797 , 949 Barrenjoey Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108 |

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query - X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

Officer comments

The potential impacts of the proposed modifications has been assessed by All Arbour Solutions. They have concluded that the existing trees can be retained and no or little additional impact is likely. A portion of the subject site is mapped as part of the Endangered Ecological Community Pittwater Wagstaff Spotted Gum Forest, although the same area is not mapped on the NSW Biodiversity Values map (Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016).

The site is subject to the controls of B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community under the P21 DCP. However the development is proposed in the area of least impact on PSGF there will be no significant net loss of PSGF vegetation. Based on the information provided the proposed development will not significantly impact the biodiversity values of the site, The biodiversity related conditions of consent continue to apply.

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:

Nil.