

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Riparian

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2023/1790
<b>Proposed Development:</b>	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including an outbuilding
<b>Date:</b>	15/12/2023
<b>To:</b>	Brittany Harrison
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 3 DP 10000 , 3 Ross Smith Parade GREAT MACKEREL BEACH NSW 2108 Lot B DP 440802 , 3 Ross Smith Parade GREAT MACKEREL BEACH NSW 2108

### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- All Development Applications on land, and located within 40 metres of land, containing a watercourse, or
- All Development Applications on land containing a wetland, or located within 100m of land containing a wetland,
- All Development Applications on land that is mapped as "DCP Map Waterways and Riparian Land".

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

### Officer comments

This application was assessed in consideration of:

- Supplied plans and reports;
- Coastal Management Act 2016;
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021;
- Relevant LEP and DCP clauses; and
- Northern Beaches Council Water management for development policy.

#### *Riparian and Coastal Wetland*

The site is located between Pittwater Estuary and Great Mackerel ICOLL on low laying land. The site is also within an Coastal Wetland Proximity Area (SEPP Resilience and Hazards 2021). Therefore the proposed development must not significantly impact on the biophysical, hydrological or ecological integrity of either waterway or the quantity and quality of surface and ground water flows that they receives.

#### *Sediment Management*

Sediment and erosion controls must be installed prior to any disturbance of soil on site and maintained until all work is complete and groundcover re-established.

### *Seagrass conservation*

The site is adjacent to seagrass beds and must achieve the outcomes of Pittwater DCP B4.16 Seagrass Conservation (the conservation of seagrass beds in Pittwater and the replacement of lost/damaged seagrass beds. Development shall not significantly affect seagrass beds and the development shall replace seagrass in areas where it has been lost or damaged.

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:**

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

##### **Erosion and Sediment Control Plan**

An Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) shall be prepared by an appropriately qualified person and implemented onsite prior to commencement. The ESCP must meet the requirements outlined in the Landcom publication Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction - Volume 1, 4th Edition (2004). The ESCP must include the following as a minimum:

- Site Boundaries and contours
- Approximate location of trees and other vegetation, showing items for removal or retention (consistent with any other plans attached to the application)
- Location of site access, proposed roads and other impervious areas (e.g. parking areas and site facilities)
- Existing and proposed drainage patterns with stormwater discharge points
- Locations and methods of all erosion and sediment controls that must include sediment fences, stabilised site access, materials and waste stockpiles locations, location of any stormwater pits on the site and how they are going to be protected.
- North point and scale.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect the receiving environment.

#### **CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK**

##### **Installation and Maintenance of Sediment and Erosion Controls**

Council proactively regulates construction sites for sediment management.

Sediment and erosion controls must be installed in accordance with Landcom's 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction' (2004) and the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan prior to

commencement of any other works on site.

Erosion and sediment controls are to be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly after periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and vegetation cover has been re-established across 70 percent of the site, and the remaining areas have been stabilised with ongoing measures such as jute mesh or matting.

Reason: To protect the receiving environment.

### **Use of equipment and vessels in the vicinity of seagrass**

No equipment is to be placed on any seagrass beds.

Inshore infrastructure for mooring vessels and plant must be used where suitable. Where mooring lines or cables are required, they shall be suitably buoyed prior to laying and kept buoyed once laid to prevent cable drag or swing damage (scalping). Where this is impractical, contractors should use a floating rope.

Vessels must have adequate clearance over seagrass beds, including allowance for tidal movement, swell/wind wave heights and vessel propulsion.

Reason: Protection of seagrass.