

# Natural Environment Referral Response - Coastal

Application Number:	DA2022/1506
Date:	30/09/2022
Responsible Officer	Megan Surtees
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 51 DP 740538 , 1772 Pittwater Road BAYVIEW NSW 2104 Lot LIC 306701 , 1772 Pittwater Road BAYVIEW NSW 2104

### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for land located within the Coastal Zone.

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

## Officer comments

## SUPPORTED WITH CONDITIONS

The application has been assessed in consideration of the Coastal Management Act 2016, State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience & Hazards) 2021 and has also been assessed against requirements of the Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP.

The application is to construct a new boatshed.

### **Coastal Management Act 2016**

The subject site has been identified as being within the coastal zone and therefore *Coastal Management Act 2016* is applicable to the proposed development. The proposed development is in line with the objects, as set out under Clause 3 of the *Coastal Management Act 2016*.

### State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience & Hazards) 2021

The subject land has been included on the 'Coastal Environment Area' and 'Coastal Use Area' maps under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience & Hazards) 2021 (SEPP R & H). Hence, Clauses 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12 of the CM (R & H) apply for this DA.

### Comment:

On internal assessment and as assessed in the submitted Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) report prepared by Gartner Trovato Architects Pty. Ltd. dated July 2022, the DA satisfies requirements under clauses 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12 of the SEPP R&H.

As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience & Hazards) 2021.



## Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP

## Estuarine Risk Management

The subject property has also been identified as affected by estuarine wave action and tidal inundation on Council's Estuarine Hazard Mapping. As such, the Estuarine Risk Management Policy for Development in Pittwater (Appendix 7, Pittwater 21 DCP) and the relevant B3.7 Estuarine Hazard Controls will apply to any proposed development of the site.

In accordance with the Pittwater Estuary Mapping of Sea Level Rise Impacts Study (2015), a base estuarine planning level (EPL) of RL 2.76m AHD would apply at the subject site. A reduction factor (RF) based upon the distance from the foreshore of proposed development may also apply at a rate of 0.07m reduction to the EPL for every 5.00m distance from the foreshore edge up to a maximum distance of 40.00m.

On internal assessment and as assessed in the submitted Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Salients Pty. Ltd. dated 3 May 2022, the ground floor level for the proposed boatshed is at RL 1.42m AHD, far below the derived EPL for the site. The report discussed that the proposed floor level of the boat shed and deck (1.42m AHD) is significantly lower than either the original or alternative estuarine planning levels. To provide a safe, habitable floor level for a 25-year design life, the floor of the boat shed would need to be raised to at least 2.76m AHD. However, a boat shed used primarily for boat storage does not need a habitable floor and a lower floor is acceptable. The report made many recommendations.

The proposed development is therefore subject to conditions to satisfy the relevant estuarine risk management requirements of P21 DCP.

### **Development on Foreshore Area**

A section of the subject property is within the foreshore building line. Part 7, Clause 7.8 –Limited development on foreshore area of the Pittwater LEP 2014 applies for any development within the foreshore area.

The DA proposes construction of a new boatshed which is consistent with Clause 7.8(2)(b).



On internal assessment and as assessed in the submitted Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) report prepared by Gartner Trovato Architects Pty. Ltd. dated July 2022, the DA satisfies the objectives and requirements of Part 7, Clause 7.8 of the Pittwater LEP 2014.

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

## Estuarine Hazard Design Requirements

The following applies to all development:

All development or activities must be designed and constructed such that they will not increase the level of risk from estuarine processes for any people, assets or infrastructure in surrounding properties; they will not adversely affect estuarine processes; they will not be adversely affected by estuarine processes.

To ensure Council's recommended flood evacuation strategy of 'shelter-in-place', it will need to be demonstrated that there is safe pedestrian access to a 'safe haven' above the Estuarine Planning Level.

Reason: To minimise potential hazards associated with development in an estuarine habitat.

## **Estuarine Planning Level Requirements**

An Estuarine Planning Level (EPL) of 2.76m AHD has been adopted by Council for the subject site and shall be applied to all development proposed below this level as follows:

- All structural elements below 2.76m AHD shall be of flood compatible materials;
- All electrical equipment, wiring, fuel lines or any other service pipes and connections must be located either above 2.76m AHD or waterproofed to this level; and
- The storage of toxic or potentially polluting goods, chemicals or materials, which may be hazardous or pollute the waterway, is not permitted below 2.76m AHD.
- All interior power supplies (including electrical fittings, outlets and switches) must be located at or above 2.76m AHD. All exterior power supplies (including electrical fittings, outlets and switches) shall be located at or above 2.76m AHD to avoid the likelihood of contact with splashing waves and spray.

Reason: To ensure aspect of the development are built at the appropriate level

### **Compliance with Estuarine Risk Management Report**

The development is to comply with all recommendations of the approved Estuarine Risk Management



Report prepared by Salients Pty. Ltd. dated 3 May 2022 and these recommendations are to be incorporated into construction plans.

Reason: To minimise potential hazards associated with development in an estuarine habitat.

## Structural Engineering for Estuarine Risk

Structural engineering design for the development shall be prepared, with input as necessary from a chartered professional engineer with coastal engineering as a core competency, to ensure that for its design life (taken to be 25years as justified and accepted by Council) the development is able to withstand the wave impact forces and loadings identified in the approved Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Salients Pty. Ltd. dated 3 May 2022.

The potential for component fatigue (wear and tear) should be recognised for the less severe, but more frequent, wave impact loadings.

Reason: To ensure structural engineering is prepared by an appropriately qualified professional

## **Engineers Certification of Plans**

The structural design shall be prepared by and each plan/sheet signed by, a registered professional civil or structural engineer with chartered professional status (CP Eng) who has an appropriate level of professional indemnity insurance and shall be submitted to the Certifier prior to the release of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure structural engineering is prepared by an appropriately qualified professional

## CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

### Installation and Maintenance of Sediment and Erosion Control

Sediment and erosion controls must be installed in accordance with Landcom's 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction' (2004). Techniques used for erosion and sediment control on site 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 the site is sufficiently stabilised with vegetation.

Reason: To protect the surrounding environment from the effects of sedimentation and erosion from the site

## **ON-GOING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES**

### Boatshed Not for Habitation

At no time shall the boatshed be utilised or converted to provide for residential habitation. The boatshed must not be used for any other purpose than the storage of small boats, light watercraft and boating and marine equipment. The incorporation of any internal kitchen facilities, habitable rooms, shower or

toilet facilities is not permitted.

Reason: To ensure compliance with Pittwater Estuarine Risk Management Policy.

### **Compliance with Estuarine Risk Management Report**



The development is to comply with all recommendations of the approved Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Salients Pty. Ltd. dated 3 May 2022 and these recommendations are to be maintained over the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure preservation of the development and the estuarine environment