

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/0868
Date:	25/08/2020
Responsible Officer	Megan Surtees
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 4 DP 30870 , 40 Bilwara Avenue BILGOLA PLATEAU NSW 2107

### 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 development has been assessed against the following biodiversity related planning controls.

- Pittwater LEP 2014 cl. 7.6 Biodiversity
- P21DCP B4.6 Wildlife Corridors and
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 Cl. 11 Development on land in proximity to coastal wetlands or littoral rainforest.

The majority of the proposed works will be positioned over existing built upon areas and there will be no impact on the existing landscaping and no loss of canopy trees. Therefore the development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact, including to the biophysical, hydrological or ecological integrity of the adjacent littoral rainforest, the quantity and quality of surface and ground water flows to and from the adjacent littoral rainforest, is proposed in the area of least impact on a wildlife corridor, and there will be no significant net loss of native vegetation.

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:

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

**Control of Weeds**

Prior to the completion of works, all priority weeds (as listed under the Biosecurity Act 2015) are to be removed/controlled within the subject site using an appropriately registered control method. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>). All environmental weeds are to be removed and controlled. Refer to Council website [http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious\\_weeds](http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious_weeds)

**Reason:** Weed management.

**No Planting Environmental Weeds**

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

**Reason:** Weed management.

**Works to cease if item found**

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

**Reason:** To protect Aboriginal Heritage.

**Dead or Injured Wildlife**

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

**Reason:** To mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.