

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2021/2436
Date:	01/04/2022
Responsible Officer	Kye Miles
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 12 DP 25143 , 220 Powderworks Road INGLESIDE NSW 2101

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 application seeks approval for the construction of a new dwelling and the establishment of an Asset Protection Zone (APZ) around the proposed dwelling to a maximum distance of 14m.

Council's Natural Environment Unit - Biodiversity referral team have reviewed the application for consistency against the relevant environmental legislation and controls, including:

Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act) **Pittwater Local Environmental Plan (PLEP)**

- 7.6 Biodiversity Protection

Pittwater Development Control Plan (PDCP)

- B4.13 Freshwater Wetlands (non Endangered Ecological Communities)
- B4.14 Development within the vicinity of wetlands
- B4.18 Heathland/Woodland Vegetation

The application does not require the removal of prescribed trees or vegetation, further is it noted that the relevant portion of the site benefits from the 10/50 clearing eligibility. Subject to conditions the Bushland and Biodiversity referral team find the application to be consistent against relevant environmental controls.

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**

Delineation of Asset Protection Zones

Prior to the commencement of any vegetation clearance/modification, the boundaries of the bushfire Asset Protection Zone (APZ) are to be surveyed and clearly marked by way of temporary fencing, flagging tape or markers. Clearing of vegetation for APZ establishment must only occur within the marked APZ boundaries.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation and wildlife.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Clearing for Asset Protection Zones

Clearing of vegetation during works for APZ establishment must only occur within the surveyed and marked APZ boundaries. No clearing is to be undertaken outside of the APZ boundaries.

Written certification of compliance is to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To protect native vegetation and wildlife.

**CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE
OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**

Clearing for Asset Protection Zones

Clearing of vegetation for APZ establishment must only occur within the surveyed and marked APZ boundaries. No clearing is to be undertaken outside of the APZ boundaries.

Written certification of compliance is to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation and wildlife.

No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2019 – 2023) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.

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

Protection of Habitat Features

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation, soil and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

Maintenance of Asset Protection Zones

Vegetation clearing for ongoing APZ maintenance must only occur within the surveyed and marked APZ boundaries. No clearing is to be undertaken outside of the APZ boundaries.

Reason: To protect native vegetation and wildlife.