

Natural Environment Referral Response - Riparian

Application Number:	DA2022/1649
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to an educational establishment
Date:	12/01/2023
To:	Adam Susko
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 12 DP 1119562 , 10 Namona Street NORTH NARRABEEN NSW 2101 Lot 3 DP 1018621 , 6 Namona Street NORTH NARRABEEN NSW 2101

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

Supported.

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 Water Management for Development Policy

The proposal is on land containing areas identified as proximity area for coastal wetlands and also as coastal wetlands. The development must not significantly impact on the biophysical, hydrological or ecological integrity of the coastal wetland areas, or the quantity and quality of surface and ground water flows that they receive.

As noted in the Ecological Report, the delineation of ecological areas and education of all site personnel about the need to protect said areas during construction will be an essential part of mitigating the potential impacts of this proposal. This should form part of a Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP).

The proposed development does not include any land mapped as coastal wetland, for which a buffer would be maintained. A key consideration for this proposal is, therefore, to mitigate any effects the proposed development may have on the surrounding areas during construction and on an ongoing basis. Water quality and quantity will be a key component to be managed. Please refer to the comments in the Water Management Referral. It is noted that the proposal was deemed exempt from requiring controlled activity approval by the Department of Planning and Environment – Water. Appropriate 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.

On assessment the application on assessment meets the requirements of the relevant Environmental Planning Instruments and policies relating to waterways, riparian areas, and groundwater.

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 Certifier for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment.

Water Quality Management

The applicant must install a filtration device (such as a sediment control pit or absorption trench) that captures organic matter and coarse sediments prior to discharge of stormwater from the land. All stormwater treatment measures must make provision for convenient and safe regular inspection, periodic cleaning, and maintenance.

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

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment.

Construction Environment Management Plan

A Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) must be prepared in accordance with the environmental risks and mitigation methods identified in the Ecology Report and must be kept in the site office.

An induction plan for site personnel must be prepared that addresses the CEMP.

The CEMP and site induction plan must be submitted to the Certifier for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation, wildlife, habitats and receiving waterways.

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) 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: Protection of the receiving environment.

Site inductions for Construction Environment Management Plan

The site Environmental Officer (or appropriate equivalent) must induct all staff prior to starting work, with an induction record maintained and available onsite at all times.

Personnel conducting the site induction must:

- (a) Be familiar with any environmental protection conditions under the development approval and/or the Construction Environment Management Plan
- (b) Be familiar with the names and contact details of relevant people and authorities in the event of any environmental or site management emergency.
- (c) Be familiar with the presence of environmentally significant areas within and surrounding the site.
- (d) Be able to identify threatened species of fauna if they enter the site, especially Red-crowned Toadlet.
- (e) Be familiar with animal welfare issues and procedures should human-wildlife interactions take place during the construction phase.

Reason: To ensure all personnel understand what must be done to protect native vegetation, wildlife, habitats and receiving waterways on the site.

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

Maintenance of Stormwater Treatment Measures

Stormwater treatment measures must be maintained at all times in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and as necessary to achieve the required stormwater quality targets for the development.

Northern Beaches Council reserves the right to enter the property and carry out appropriate maintenance of the device at the cost of the property owner.

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment.