

# Natural Environment Referral Response - Coastal

Application Number:	DA2024/0778
Proposed Development:	Construction of a boatshed
Date:	27/06/2024
Responsible Officer	Nick England
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 93 DP 12749 , 43 Florence Terrace SCOTLAND ISLAND NSW 2105 Lot LIC 640698 , 43 Florence Terrace SCOTLAND ISLAND NSW 2105

# 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 SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

This application was assessed in consideration of:

- Supplied plans and reports;
- Coastal Management Act 2016;
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021 (section 2.10,2.11 & 2.12);
- Relevant LEP and DCP clauses.

# 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 Waratah Planning dated June 2024 and also as assessed in the submitted Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Horton Coastal Engineering Pty. Ltd. dated 14 May 2024, 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 submitted Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Horton Coastal Engineering Pty. Ltd. dated 14 May 2024, considering design life of the proposed development as 60 years, a base estuarine planning level (EPL) of RL 2.13m AHD would apply at the subject site.

The floor level of the boatshed is **2.33m AHD** which is above the EPL of **2.13m AHD**. The specific requirements for the boatshed from a coastal engineering perspective are that:

• the suspended portion of the slab shall be designed to resist wave uplift forces as provided by a coastal engineer as part of detailed design;

• the piles supporting the slab shall be designed to resist horizontal wave forces as provided by a coastal engineer as part of detailed design; and

• the concrete drainage paths on the northern and southern sides of the boatshed shall have a 200mm downturn on the seaward side of the paths, to act as a wave trip, to reduce the risk of wave runup.

On internal assessment, the proposed floor level of the boatshed is above this EPL. 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 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 Waratah Planning dated June 2024, the DA satisfies the objectives and requirements of Part 7, Clause 7.8 of the Pittwater LEP 2014.

No other coastal issues identified.

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**

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 risks associated with coastal hazards for development in an estuarine environment.

# **Estuarine Planning Level Requirements**

An Estuarine Planning Level (EPL) of 2.13 m AHD has been adopted by Council for the subject site and shall be applied to all development proposed below this level as follows:

- 1. All structural elements below 2.13 m AHD shall be of flood compatible materials;
- 2. All electrical equipment, wiring, fuel lines or any other service pipes and connections must be located either above 2.13 m AHD or waterproofed to this level; and
- 3. The storage of toxic or potentially polluting goods, chemicals or materials, which may be hazardous or pollute the waterway, is not permitted below 2.13 m AHD.
- 4. All interior power supplies (including electrical fittings, outlets and switches) must be located at or above 2.13 m AHD. All exterior power supplies (including electrical fittings, outlets and switches) shall be located at or above 2.13 m AHD to avoid the likelihood of contact with splashing waves and spray.

Reason: To ensure vulnerable components 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 Horton Coastal Engineering, dated 14 May 2024 and these recommendations are to be incorporated into construction plans and specifications and maintained over the life of the development.

The floor level of the boatshed is above the EPL of 2.13m AHD. The specific requirements for the boatshed from a coastal engineering perspective are that:

• the suspended portion of the slab shall be designed to resist wave uplift forces as provided by a coastal engineer as part of detailed design;

• the piles supporting the slab shall be designed to resist horizontal wave forces as provided by a coastal engineer as part of detailed design; and

• the concrete drainage paths on the northern and southern sides of the boatshed shall have a 200mm downturn on the seaward side of the paths, to act as a wave trip, to reduce the risk of wave runup extending into these paths and causing water to pond above the floor level.

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 100years unless otherwise 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 Horton Coastal Engineering dated 14 May 2024.

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



# 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

# CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

#### Stockpiling materials

During construction, all material associated with works is to be contained at source, covered and must be within the construction area. All material is to be removed off site and disposed of according to local regulations. The property is to be kept clean and any building debris removed as frequently as required to ensure no debris enters receiving waters.

Reason: To ensure pollution control measures are effective to protect the aquatic habitats within receiving waters throughout the construction period.

# 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.