

Natural Environment Referral Response - Flood

Application Number:	DA2025/0208
Proposed Development:	Construction of a detached studio
Date:	27/03/2025
To:	Brittany Harrison
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 6 DP 7236 , 66 Barrenjoey Road MONA VALE NSW 2103

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- All Development Applications on land below the 1 in100 year flood level;
- All Development Applications located on land below the Probable Maximum Flood levels.

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

Officer comments

This proposal is for the addition of a self-contained studio, including a bathroom and kitchenette at the back of the property. The proposal is assessed Section B3.11 of the Pittwater DCP and Clause 5.21 of the Pittwater LEP.

The proposal is located within the Medium and Low Flood risk precincts. The relevant flood characteristics are as follows:

Flood Planning Level: 4.49m AHD
1% AEP Flood Level: 3.99m AHD
1% AEP Hydraulic Category: Flood Storage / Flood Fringe
Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) Level: 4.59m AHD
Max PMF Life Hazard Category: H3

The proposed FFL of the dwelling is 4.59m AHD which is above the FPL of the property.

Subject to the following conditions the proposal generally complies with Section B3.11 of the Pittwater DCP and Clause 5.21 of the Pittwater LEP.

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

Building components and structural soundness

B1 - All new development below the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD shall be designed and constructed from flood compatible materials.

B2 - All new development must be designed to ensure structural integrity up to the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD, taking into account the forces of floodwater, debris load, wave action, buoyancy and immersion.

B3 - All new and existing electrical equipment, power points, wiring and connections must be located above the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD, protected from flood water or have residual current devices installed to cut electricity supply during flood events.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval.

Reason: To reduce the impact of flooding and flood liability on owners and occupiers of flood-prone property and reduce public and private losses in accordance with Council and NSW Government policy.

Floor levels

C1 - New floor levels within the development shall be set at or above the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD.

C3 - The underfloor area of the dwelling below the 1% AEP flood level is to be designed to allow clear passage of floodwaters. At least 50% of the perimeter of the underfloor area must be of an open design from the natural ground level up to the 1% AEP flood level.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval.

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

Certification of Works as Executed

A suitably qualified engineer and/or registered surveyor is to certify that the completed works have been constructed in accordance with this consent and the approved plans with respect to the following:

1. Floor levels for ground floor, shelter in place refuge and garage are set at or above the required level
2. There has been no filling on the land other than what has been approved
3. Openings are provided under floor areas where required for the free passage of flood waters

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Occupation Certificate.

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Building Components and Structural Soundness

B2 - A suitably qualified structural engineer is to certify the structural integrity of the new development up to the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD. The depth, velocity, debris load, wave action, buoyancy and immersion must all be considered.

B3 - A suitably qualified electrician or contractor is to certify that all new and existing electrical equipment, power points, wiring and connections are located above the Flood Planning Level of 4.49m AHD, are protected from flood water or have residual current devices installed to cut electricity supply during flood events.

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