

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2022/0954
Date:	13/07/2022
Responsible Officer	Thomas Prosser
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 2D DP 13780 , 133 Pacific Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108

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

- Pittwater LEP cl. 7.6 Biodiversity
- P21 DCP B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community

The arborist report submitted indicated that the Spotted Gum within the front portion can be retained and protected. The development is proposed in the area of least impact on PSGF and where there will be no significant net loss of PSGF vegetation. The development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact.

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 COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

#### 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 protect native wildlife.

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

### **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.