Extra time to provide feedback on Dolans Bay Marina proposal

The public is being given an additional two weeks to comment on the proposed expansion of the Dolans Bay Marina, which is being exhibited by the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure.

The proponent, Dolans Bay Marina, is seeking approval for the removal of 22 swing moorings, and the extension of the existing pontoon by 53 berths, to create 82 fixed moorings at Dolans Bay, in the Sutherland Shire.

The environmental assessment has been on public exhibition since 17 August 2011, and the exhibition period, which was to have ended on 23 September, has now been extended until Friday, 7 October 2011. Interested members of the public are encouraged to lodge a submission providing feedback during this time.

Submissions received during the public exhibition period, along with the proponent’s response to submissions document, will be made available on the Department’s website.

Once the Department finalises its assessment, the matter will be referred to the independent Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) to determine.

“There has been strong community interest in this proposal, which is located in an important waterway within Port Hacking,” the Department’s Executive Director for Major Development Assessment, Chris Wilson, said.

“Both Sutherland Shire Council and the local State MP have asked for more time for the community to have their say, and we have accommodated their request to ensure everyone has an opportunity to do so.”

The environmental assessment for the project can be viewed during business hours at:

- **Department of Planning and Infrastructure** – Information Centre, 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney; or
- **Sutherland Shire Council** – Administration Centre, 4-20 Eton Street, Sutherland.

All relevant project documents are also publicly available on the Department’s website, and can be accessed by visiting [http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au) and following the links to the ‘On Exhibition’ page.

Submissions can be:

- Lodged online at [http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au) (then search for the project);
- Emailed to plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au;
• Faxed to (02) 9228 6455; or
• Posted to Major Projects Assessment, Department of Planning and Infrastructure, GPO Box 39, SYDNEY NSW 2001.

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NOTE: The Department of Planning and Infrastructure is issuing this media release to encourage the community to take part in the planning process. However, it is the role of the proponent (either through its documents published on our website or otherwise) to provide further specific details about the proposal.