Thursday, 6 August 2015

**Have your say on modifications to Mackas Sand Quarry**

A proposal to make modifications to Mackas Sand Quarry will be on exhibition from today for community feedback.

The Department of Planning and Environment is keen to hear the community’s views on the application which seeks to increase truck movements (in and out combined) at Lot 218:

- from 16 per hour to 48 per hour between the hours of 7am to 10pm Monday to Friday and 7am to 4pm Saturday
- from 10 per hour to 28 per hour from 5am to 7am Monday to Friday
- from 10 per hour to 18 per hour from 6am to 7am Saturday.

No changes are being sought to truck movements at the other part of the quarry, Lot 220.

No changes are being sought to the amount of sand to be extracted from both Lots.

A spokesperson for the Department of Planning and Environment said the local community always has an opportunity to share their views.

“Community consultation is an integral part of the planning process and the applicant will have to respond to the feedback we receive and this is taken into consideration when we develop our recommendations,” the spokesperson said.

“It’s easy to participate by going online and we encourage everyone to take a look and have their say.”

To make a submission or view the environmental assessment, visit [www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au). Submissions can be made from Thursday 6 August 2015 until Wednesday 19 August 2015.

Written submissions can also be made to:

Department of Planning & Environment  
Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments & Compliance  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney NSW 2001

The environmental assessment is also available to view in person at:

- Department of Planning and Environment, 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney
Port Stephens Council, 116 Adelaide Street, Raymond Terrace
Nature Conservation Council, Level 2, 5 Wilson Street, Newtown

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