Friday, 4 December 2015

**Have your say on a new sand quarry in Williamtown**

A proposal to construct a new sand quarry in Cabbage Tree Road, Williamtown 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:

- construct and operate a sand quarry to extract up to 600,000 tonnes per year from a total amount of 3.32 million tonnes
- clear 53.9 hectares of vegetation
- carry out mobile screening and dry processing on site
- construct associated infrastructure including:
  - roads for site access
  - an office
  - amenity buildings
  - weighbridge
  - staff and visitor parking
  - maintenance shed
- transport processed material off-site via public roads
- progressively rehabilitate the site.

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 Impact Statement (EIS), visit [www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au).

Submissions can be made from Friday 4 December 2015 until Monday 1 February 2016.

Written submissions can also be made to:

Department of Planning and Environment
Attn: Director- Resource Assessments
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001
The application and EIS is also available to view in person at:

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

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