



Planning & Infrastructure

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Dear Mr Lamont

I refer to your correspondence seeking endorsement of the Narromine Strategies (Rural Residential Land Use Strategy and Agricultural Land Use Strategy) February 2013. I am pleased to advise that I have conditionally endorsed the Narromine Strategies February 2013 version.

The Agricultural Land Use Strategy is endorsed on the condition that the mechanism to vary the minimum lot size for Intensive Plant Agriculture is undertaken as a Planning Proposal.

The Rural Residential Land Use Strategy component is endorsed on the conditions that:

- Uptake of the medium/long term candidate areas are not considered for rezoning until it has been demonstrated that there has been sufficient uptake in the short term candidate areas to show that further supply is required.
- The proposed lot size identified for candidate areas is acceptable for land zoned R5 Large Lot Residential land where the land is not classified as groundwater vulnerable.
- A 5ha lot size is applied over R5 Large Lot Residential land which is groundwater vulnerable, where reticulated water and/or reticulated sewer are not available. This lot size is to protect sensitive groundwater systems and the existing water users.
- Any variation to the minimum lot size for R5 Large Lot Residential land which is groundwater vulnerable be determined after further liaison between Council and the NSW Office of Water.

This endorsement will allow Council to use the Strategies to inform decisions on amendments to the Narromine Local Environmental Plan 2011.

I congratulate Council on its commitment to complete and implement these strategies, prepared in conjunction with the community and the State Government. These Strategies will form the basis of future land use decisions and will inform future decision making within the Narromine Shire.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for the Department's Mr Robert Bisley to assist you. Mr Bisley can be contacted on (02) 6841 2180.

Yours sincerely


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