

22 January 2021

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
Attention: Michael Juttner
Acting Director, Development Approvals and Design
PO Box 500
East Melbourne, VIC 8002



Dear Michael,

RE: Request for further information - Planning Permit PA2000998

Please find included with this letter, submitted via Permits Online, the further information requested via your letter 2 December 2020. The formal land description has been provided in the new planning permit form provided (Attachment 1). The property upon which the meteorological mast is located does not have a street address but is located off Old Dunmore Road within Crown Allotment 2, Section 8, Parish of Kapong. It can be seen on the aerial imagery map provided (Attachment 2).

Although the meteorological mast is located within an area mapped as an area of Aboriginal cultural heritage sensitivity (CHS) on ACHRIS (Attachment 3) based on the definition of CHS in the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*, the area of the mast has been surveyed by Ecology & Heritage Partners staff in conjunction with Traditional Owners. The results of the survey indicated no Aboriginal heritage places and the area is not considered to hold any archaeological potential for Aboriginal cultural heritage places. A letter from Ecology & Heritage Partners is provided as an attachment (Attachment 4).

In relation to Bushfire Management Overlay and Environmental Significance Overlay (Attachment 5), the new plan provided here shows these layers at a larger scale than the plan previously provided (Figure 3 of the Planning Application Report).

The mast has now been up and operating for three years. An agreement is in place with the landowner to host the mast. The instruments on the mast would therefore continue to collect data to help optimise the project's design. For reasons outlined in the Planning Application Report, the continued presence of the meteorological mast will not have a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this information further.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Knight".

Jay Knight
Senior Development Manager

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