

To: Raj Autar, Director Infrastructure and Environment
Ana Serra, Acting Manager City Environment

From: Karen Visman, Coordinator Environment Management

Date: 23 January 2023

Subject: Decision Statement and Determination of REF – flood mitigation works (including basin 14) and park facilities at Edmondson Park

Reference 2022/3844

Proposal

Construction of flood mitigation works (including basin 14) and park facilities at Edmondson Park. Details and relevant documents are saved in 2022/3844.

Reviewed documents

- Review of Environmental Factors - Flood Mitigation Works and Park Facilities. Maxwells Creek North Riparian Park Incorporating Basin 14, Edmondson Park (Applied Ecology, 20/1/2023) (saved as 019796.2023)

Assessment Pathway

The Review of Environmental Factors (REF) was prepared under Part 5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act), with Liverpool City Council as the determining authority. The State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 allows the proposal to be carried out without development consent under Division 7 Clause 2.56 - flood mitigation work, Division 12 Clause 2.73 – parks and other public reserves, Division 17 Clause 2.113 – roads and road infrastructure facilities and Division 20 Clause 2.137 – stormwater management systems of the SEPP.

Consideration of Review of Environmental Factors

The REF has been reviewed and considered. The following internal consultation was undertaken for the REF review:

- Biodiversity – amendments were made to a previous version of the REF and is now considered satisfactory.
- Heritage – associated aboriginal due diligence report for the project reviewed and considered satisfactory.
- Contamination – amendments were made to a previous version of the REF and is now considered satisfactory.

The Vegetation Management Plan associated with the project was also reviewed by environment operations and is considered satisfactory.

The REF identifies that the main potential adverse impacts of the proposal are in relation to the vegetation clearing, disruption to traffic and noise, which were noted as moderate

significance but largely managed by the identified mitigation measures. All other impacts were noted to be negligible or positive.

In my opinion the REF addresses the requirements of sections 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7 of the EP&A Act. The REF also addresses potential impacts to Matters of National Environmental Significance under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

Review Conclusion

The proposed activity is not likely to have a significant impact on the environment and therefore an EIS is not required.

The proposed activity will not be carried out in a declared area of outstanding biodiversity value and is not likely to significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats or impact biodiversity values, meaning a SIS and/or BDAR is not required.

The proposed activity would not require a referral to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water for impacts to Matters of National Environmental Significance.

Publication


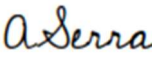

Publication of this REF would be recommended under Section 171 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 due to it being considered to be in the public interest to publish the review.

Recommendation & Certification

It is recommended that the construction of flood mitigation works (including basin 14) and park facilities at Edmondson Park proceeds subject to compliance with the REF (including environmental safeguards identified in Section 6).

No additional conditions are required.

I certify that I have reviewed and endorse the contents of this REF document and, to the best of my knowledge, it is in accordance with the EP&A Act, the EP&A Regulation and the Guidelines approved under clause 170 of the EP&A Regulation, and the information it contains is neither false or misleading.

<p>REF reviewed by:</p>  <p>Karen Visman Coordinator Environment Management 23/1/2023</p>	<p>REF determination recommended by:</p>  <p>Ana Serra Acting Manager City Environment 23/01/2023</p>
<p>REF determined by:</p>  <p>Raj Autar Director Infrastructure and Environment 25/01/2023</p>	