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The Director, Industry and Infrastructure Policy PO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **Re: SUBMSSION ON DRAFT INFRASTRUCTURE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY**

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposed amendments to the "State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007" (the Infrastructure SEPP)".

The proposed amendments to the Infrastructure SEPP satisfy the statutory requirement that the provisions of the Infrastructure SEPP be reviewed every five (5) years. The proposed amendments to the Infrastructure SEPP also form part of the SEPP Review Program currently being undertaken by the New South Wales Department of Planning and Environment.

The proposed changes to the Infrastructure SEPP have a strong focus on social infrastructure and are part of a broader government commitment to deliver high-quality community services to residents.

Narrabri Shire Council (Council) has reviewed the proposed amendments to the Infrastructure SEPP and concludes that the intent to modify, simplify and improve the SEPP and assessment pathways is inherent in the proposed changes. Council particularly encourages the proposed amendments to allow exempt development and development without consent to be completed by Council on their operational lands.

I trust this information is to your satisfaction. If you require any further clarification please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Cara Stoltenberg, Town Planner, of Council's Development and Economic Growth Department on (02) 67996855 or <u>caras@narrabri.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours faithfully,

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