



24 July 2020

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
Online submission

Dear Sir / Madam,

SUBMISSION TO THE STRATEGIC EXTRACTIVE RESOURCE AREAS PILOT PROJECT

Urbis Pty Ltd acts on behalf of [REDACTED] with respect to their land in the Quarry Hills Precinct Structure Plan (PSP).

We write in relation to the draft Strategic Extractive Resource Areas Pilot Project (SERA) which is currently on consultation until 24 July 2020.

Our client's landholding is near the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a. Although the SERA pilot project is not proposed in this municipality, our client is keen to be involved in the pilot project as, if the project is rolled out to other quarries across the state, it may impact on their ability to develop a sustainable residential community, at a density capable of supporting shops, jobs, and services.

We understand that the SERA pilot project intends to apply an updated Special Use Zone (SUZ) to existing quarries in addition to proposing an updated State Resource Overlay (SRO) 500 metres from what appears to be the title boundary of the quarried area (for quarries that require blasting).

Whilst we agree that it is important to secure access to critical quarrying materials, it is submitted that the overlay should be considered and applied on a site by site basis – which may result in different buffers dependent on the activities occurring on-site.

Existing approvals and controls are already in place in PSPs to ensure sensitive uses do not diminish the importance of an existing quarry; existing controls should be taken into account in the application of the SRO. In this regard, our client does not support the introduction of the overlay which appear to incorporate a blanket 500 threshold distance from the title boundary of the SERA pilot project sites.

We thank you for the opportunity to participate in the consultation process and look forward to working closely with the Department throughout this project. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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