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Mark Williams  
District Manager  
NSW Rural Fire Service  
Shoalhaven LGA Fire Control Centre  
92 Albatross Road  
NOWRA NSW 2541

Dear Mr Williams,

**NOTIFICATION UNDER STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY (INFRASTRUCTURE) 2007  
SOUTH COAST CORRECTIONAL CENTRE**

We refer to a proposal to complete a staged 360 bed expansion to inmate accommodation and associated upgrades to facilities, at the South Coast Correctional Centre.

The proposal comprises of a range of works including the construction of a new 160 bed maximum security ward and new 200 bed minimum security ward, alterations and additions to the existing facilities and accommodation on site, and various site preparation works including the provision of utilities and services, bulk earthworks, and vegetation removal. The proposed works are required to alleviate an existing strain on correctional centres in NSW.

It is noted that the proposed works are in-part occurring within bushfire prone land.

Clause 26 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007* (ISEPP) allows development for the purposes of alterations or additions to a correctional complex to be undertaken as development without consent by a public authority (NSW Justice) within a prescribed zone (SP1 'Special Activities').

For the purposes of the ISEPP:

- NSW Justice is a public authority;
- the activity pertains to alterations and additions to an existing correctional complex, being the South Coast Correction Centre; and
- the subject land is not reserved under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

The proposed works are therefore classified as 'Development Permitted Without Consent' under the ISEPP and JBA are in the process of finalising a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) in accordance with the provisions of Part 5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*.

Clause 16(2)(f) of the ISEPP requires development for the purposes of a correctional centre give written notice to the NSW Rural Fire Service if such works are occurring in an area that is bushfire prone. Accordingly, pursuant to Clause 16 of the ISEPP (consultation with public authorities other than Council), we are now formally notifying you of the proposal, and we request that you provide comments within 21 calendar days from the date of this letter. Should no correspondence be

received in writing within the requested timeframe, we will assume that the NSW Rural Fire Service has no comment regarding this development and we will finalise the REF accordingly. The following documentation has been included for your reference:

- Architectural Plans prepared by Guymer Bailey Architects; and
- Bushfire Assessment prepared by Australian Bushfire Assessment Consultants.

The recommendations provided in the Bushfire Assessment will be captured in the mitigation measures for the REF.

All comments should be referred to the following address:

Mr James Smith  
Justice Infrastructure  
GPO Box 6  
Sydney NSW 2001

Should you have any queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 9956 6962 or [tward@jbaurban.com.au](mailto:tward@jbaurban.com.au).

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "T. Ward". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tim Ward  
*Associate*