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Our ref: Your ref: 15/06771 Boggabri Strategic Planning Review: TM:HM:MR

Attention: Mr Tony Meppem

Dear Mr Inglis

Narrabri Growth Management Strategy Addendum – Boggabri Strategic Planning Review 2014

I refer to Council's letter dated 25 March 2015 seeking approval of the Narrabri Growth Management Strategy Addendum – Boggabri Strategic Planning Review 2014.

Following consideration of the addendum, I am pleased to approve the Narrabri Growth Management Strategy Addendum – Boggabri Strategic Planning Review 2014. I note that Council has confirmed that the land zoned RU1 Primary Production located south of the proposed residential investigation area, and identified for residential investigation in the existing Narrabri Growth Management Strategy 2010, should have been included in the residential investigation area shown in the addendum. The Boggabri Strategic Planning Review 2014 map should be updated to include this land and a revised copy provided to the Department.

Completion and approval of the Strategy will now enable you to prepare planning proposals to implement its recommendations as required to ensure an adequate supply of residential and industrial land in Boggabri. It is noted that each of the investigation areas have a number of potential environmental and land use constraints that will need to be considered in more detail. Future planning proposals seeking to rezone the identified areas will need to be supported by an appropriate level of detail confirming the suitability of the land for rezoning.

It is requested that Council in its future work for the industrial investigation site consult with the Office of Environment and Heritage on flooding issues, NSW Crown Lands regarding Aboriginal land claims, NSW Roads and Maritime Services on access to the Kamilaroi Highway and the Australian Rail Track Corporation regarding access and proximity to the existing rail corridor. It is also recommended that Council not consider rezoning the existing industrial land north of Caloola Road until the investigations for the new industrial area have been completed and the land has been rezoned.

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter, I have arranged for Ms Gina Davis, of the Department's Tamworth Office to assist you. Ms Davis can be contacted on telephone number (02) 6701 9687.

Yours sincerely

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