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RE: ADI Site

Dear Brad

The unamended SREP 30 has two maps, a zoning map and a structure map. The zoning maps shown areas zoned as drainage basins whilst the structure maps shows the indicative location of drainage basins.

As I have raised with you previously the location of the drainage basins are of concern to ADI RAG and also to Penrith Council because i) they are within the proposed Regional Park and ii) they are also within land listed in the Register of the National Estate because of its environmental and heritage significance.

Lend Lease a firmly of the opinion that the drainage basins are staying where they are because they are already zoned for that purpose. I would recommend to DIPNR that as they are only indicative locations of drainage basins - according to the SREP 30 Structure Plan - that DIPNR commence dialogue with Lend Lease and Penrith Council to find alternate locations for these drainage basins outside of the Regional Park and not on land listed in the RNE.

This should be done before a draft Plan of Management for the Regional Park is put on public exhibition and well in advance of a publicly exhibited amended SREP 30.

Also of concern is the proposal by NSW NPWS to reduce the size of the Regional Park from 900 to 865 ha by not accepting all of the lands listed in the RNE as Regional Park. This is of huge concern to ADI RAG and I am sure to 1000's of Sydney residents that the State is eroding the amount of public land protected at the ADI Site once more. It is concern that the proposed actions by NPWS will result in Lend Lease, a property developer, owning and managing rare Cumberland Plain bushland that they have little regard for - land that is worthy of National Estate listing.

We urge DIPNR to seek a resolution to this problem. Lend Lease could be asked to sacrifice small parts of its land to ensure a Regional Park with smooth manageable boundaries is created (NPWs are reducing the size to create a RP with manageable boundaries). DIPNR could flex its planning authority to ensure this outcome is achieved. It would also make good political sense.

Also, the EPA has not allayed our concerns of asbestos found within the Eastern Sector Regional Park. What is the status of the Site Audit process for this area. ADI RAG supports it being permanently fenced as a conservation reserve as per the recommendations of the 1999 Site Audit Report.

Please respond to these concerns asap.
Regards,

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