# **Department of Planning and Environment**



Andrew Potter
Manager Water & Sewer Operations
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Approval number: WAMS 16290

### Notice of determination

## Section 60 approval for Rushforth Rd Treatment Plant

I am writing to inform you that on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023, I, the Director Local Water Utilities, as delegate of the Minister for Lands and Water, in accordance with section 60 (b) of the Local Government Act, has granted approval for your application, Rushforth Rd Treatment Plant, 701 Rushforth Road, South Grafton NSW 2460.

The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- Consistency with design a local water utility can only construct drinking water treatment works that are consistent with those approved, or that it allows for sewage to be discharged, treated or supplied in a way that is broadly consistent with the way that was approved. Some degree of variation is acceptable to ensure that the practical realities associated with design and construction, or treatment and discharge, are accounted for.
- Consistency with standards Local water utilities must always adhere to any relevant legal, regulatory, industry or technical standards in completing the works (including environmental planning requirements where relevant).

The approval operates from 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

## Scope of approval

The scope of approval includes:

- Under the Exempt Development:
  - Repurposing and HDPE lining of an existing lagoon to operate as a clarifying lagoon.
  - Installation of ACH chemical dosing systems.
  - Installation of a larger 21KL bunded chemical storage tank.
  - Replacement of discharge pump from diesel to electric.
- Not under the Exempt Development:
  - o Installation of the temporary Sludge Drying Area.
- Not included in the scope of works:
  - Future installation of larger Sludge Drying Beds.

### Reviews/ appeals

Section 9 of the Regulatory and Assurance Framework for Local Water Utilities outlines the review process for decisions made by the delegated departmental decision maker. Should your council wish to review part or whole of this decision then make contact with the contact officer below.

The department will monitor the conditions attached to your approval.

Your contact officer for this approval is Duncan Harrison, Senior Project Officer, who can be contacted on email at Duncan.harrison@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Sincerely,

Jane Shepherd

**Director Local Water Utilities** 

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