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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

STATEMENT THAT A PROPOSAL MAY BE IMPLEMENTED (PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986)

PRIMARY SCHOOL, LARSEN ROAD, BYFORD (583)

THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

This proposal may be implemented subject to the following conditions:

1 Proponent Commitments

The proponent has made a number of environmental management commitments in order to protect the environment.

1-1 In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments (which are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement) made and included in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 628. (A copy of the commitments is attached.)

2 Detailed Implementation

Changes to the proposal which are not substantial may be carried out with the approval of the Minister for the Environment.

2-1 Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal. Where, in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way that the Minister for the Environment determines on the advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not substantial, those changes may be effected.

3 Nutrient Management

- 3-1 The proponent shall connect the school to reticulated sewerage within six months of this becoming available.
- 3-2 Prior to the school being connected to reticulated sewerage, the proponent shall ensure that the school is serviced by holding tanks or lined evaporative ponds, to the satisfaction of the Health Department of Western Australia.
- 3-3 Prior to operation of the school, the proponent shall construct a stormwater disposal system to minimise the discharge of nutrients from the site.

4 Noise and Dust Management

- 4-1 Prior to commencement of development, the proponent shall conduct a study of noise impacts on the school resulting from the adjacent railway. The proponent shall implement any management requirements resulting from the study to minimise the impacts of railway noise.
- 4-2 During construction, the proponent shall implement a dust and noise mitigation strategy to minimise the emission of dust from the site and to minimise the noise associated with construction.

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5 Proponent

No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of this statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.

6 Time Limit on Approval

If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of this statement, then the approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has been substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five years referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of a request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act. (On expiration of the five year period, further consideration of the proposal can only occur following a new referral to the Environmental Protection Authority).

Procedure

The conditions contained in this statement are to be complied with to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority except where they are required to be carried out to the satisfaction of either the Minister for the Environment or any other government agency.

Should the Environmental Protection Authority, other government agency and/or proponent be unable to resolve any dispute that occurs concerning these conditions and commitments, that dispute will be determined by the Minister for the Environment.

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MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

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SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS

Project design and environmental management commitments given by the BMA include the following:

- 1. The school site will be designed and constructed to meet the Education Departments requirements, including filling the site to ensure that the grounds and play areas remain generally dry and free from the risk of periodic surface inundation.
- 2. The fill material to be introduced to the site will be predominantly yellow Spearwood sand or similar, having moderate phosphorus retention ability, to the satisfaction of the EPA.
- 3. The near surface soils of all areas to be landscaped will be amended using RMG, red loam or similar material that will increase the soil's phosphorus retention capability, and the amending material will be evenly distributed and blended in, to the satisfaction of the EPA.
- The school soils will be verified as being pesticide free, to the satisfaction of the Education Department.
- 5. All areas to be grassed, including the oval, will be planted with Kikuyu.
- 6. Replanting of native trees and shrubs will be maximised to benefit nutrient retention and drainage management, but with regard to safety, security and maintenance constraints specified by the Education Department.
- 7. The Landscape Design Branch of the BMA, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture's Community Catchment Centre, will prepare specific guidelines and recommendations for fertiliser management for use by the school ground's keeping staff, to the satisfaction of the EPA and prior to the school's opening.
- 8. Temporary on-site sewage disposal facilities will be constructed and maintained in accordance with the manufacturers specifications and the Department of Health's Amended Sewage Policy Regulations, to the satisfaction of the Department of Health.
- 9. The proposed stormwater compensation basin will be designed to retain runoff from the site during a 1 in 10 year storm for at least three days.