



Department of **Planning,  
Lands and Heritage**

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Dear Daniel

**REQUIREMENT FOR PLANNING APPROVAL - SEAWATER DESALINATION  
PLANT, ALKIMOS**

I refer to your letter to the Department dated 7 March 2018, seeking to clarify relevant planning approval requirements for the construction and operation of a proposed Seawater Desalination Plant within the existing Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) Public Purposes – Water Authority of WA reserve (Lot 1012), in Alkimos.

The Department has considered the background information you have provided in this respect, including Ministerial Statement 722 of MRS Amendment 1029/33 – Alkimos- Eglinton which applies environmental conditions for the development of the subject land, and which requires portions of the subject reserve to be set aside and managed for conservation purposes.

As the proposed plant is anticipated to be encroaching into areas designated by Ministerial Statement 722 for conservation, the Department advises that an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) is required to be prepared to address the proposal's on-going environmental impacts on the identified bushland.

The EMP is to be prepared in consultation with the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and will need to be submitted to the Western Australian Planning Commission for approval, prior to a development application being lodged with the Commission for determination under the MRS. The EMP shall address the matters listed in Ministerial Statement 722 and any other matters required by the EPA.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MSL'.

Mat Selby  
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Land Use Planning - Metro North  
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