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Dear Gordon

Subject: Draft Shoalhaven LEP2013 post exhibition reporting process – timing and requested involvement

I refer to your 27 May 2013 letter regarding the above.

Thank you for the invitation for the Department to send a representative to Council's proposed Special Development Committee meetings proposed to be held in July to consider the draft LEP submissions.

The Department's preference is not to participate directly in Council's meetings to consider issues raised in submissions. The Department is, however, happy to provide advice or other input to Council's draft reports. Should Council have any particular issues that arise during the meetings, the Department would be happy to attend a specific meeting to help resolve the matter.

I note Council's revised August /early September 2013 timeline for delivery of the final draft LEP to the Department. The Director General is committed to the LEP being finalised as quickly as possible. To this end, the Department has commenced a number of administrative processes to fast track the review and legal drafting of the LEP by the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Given the large number of LEP maps required to be reviewed and the complexity of this task, the Department would be happy to convene a meeting(s) between Council's and the Department's GIS staff at an appropriate time, to assist with the resolution of issues.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, please contact George Curtis on telephone 4224 9465.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Brett Whitworth'.

Brett Whitworth
Regional Director
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24 June 2013