



Our ref: DOC22/361813

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Dear Eric,

RE: Biodiversity Certification application, Callala Bay

I refer to the application for biodiversity certification at Callala Bay. As per my email of 5 May 2022, please be advised that any land proposed for addition to the National Parks system requires a formal land conservation assessment and acceptance of the Minister. The final determination of the status of the Sealark/Halloran Trust Biobank lands, if transferred, will be reliant on that assessment process and determination by the Minister.

As such, we request that the wording surrounding the land dedication in the final biodiversity certification package be amended to (or accepted to be) the following "…land transferred to the Minister administering the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 for inclusion into the National Parks system". Please note that any subsequent conferral will include such wording.

Should you have any further queries, please contact Dan Robson, Senior Conservation Planning Officer via e-mail daniel.robson@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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