



Kristin Cooper
NSW Strata Management
PO Box 2102
PARRAMATTA NSW 1750

Dear Ms Cooper

Re: Application to remove Sydney Blue Gum, 608 Blaxland Road Eastwood

I refer to your licence application dated 28 October 2013 to remove a Sydney Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus saligna*) from a property at [REDACTED]. As you may know, Blue Gums are a component species of Blue Gum High Forest, which is listed as a critically endangered ecological community (CEEC) under the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995* (TSC Act).

OEH understands that the tree is less than three metres from the foundations of the property at [REDACTED] and needs to be removed as it is causing damage to the wall and driveway. OEH also understands that removal of the tree is exempt from Hornsby Council's Tree Preservation Order, because of its proximity to the property. I note that you have stated in your application that you will mitigate the action by planting two new trees on the property, in accordance with Hornsby Council's Tree Planting Guidelines.

I have assessed your application and I have determined that the proposed action is not likely to significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats. Therefore, a licence is not required under the TSC Act for the proposed action. The TSC Act makes provision for the issue of a certificate under section 95(2) for actions which technically constitute 'picking' of a CEEC, but which are unlikely to have a significant impact. Accordingly, I have decided to authorise your activity and issue you with a section 95(2) Certificate (enclosed).

If you have any further questions in relation to this matter, please contact Sarah Burke on phone 9995 6848.

Yours sincerely

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DAVID TREWIN

Senior Manager, Greater Sydney
Regional Operations

cc. Robert Woodward, Hornsby Council

Section 95(2) Certificate

Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995



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Certificate No.: A18435-2013

Issue Date:

Expiry Date: 31 December 2014

I certify that the 'proposed action' as described below is not likely to significantly affect threatened species, populations, ecological communities or their habitats and consequently the 'proposed action' does not require a licence under the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995*.

An action that is the subject of this certificate is a defence against prosecution under sections 118A-118D of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION

The 'proposed action' is the removal of one Sydney Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus saligna*) tree at [REDACTED] as described in the licence application.

RELEVANT CONDITIONS

The holder of the certificate must ensure that two new trees will be planted on the property to replace the removed tree, in accordance with Hornsby Council's Tree Planting Guidelines.

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DAVID TREWIN
Senior Manager, Greater Sydney
Regional Operations
(by Delegation)

Dated: