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Dear Sir,

Re: DA – revetment wall – Wamberal

Thank you for your letter dated 30 November 2016 requesting comment from Industry and Investment (Fisheries) NSW on the above proposal.

Fisheries NSW is responsible for ensuring that fish stocks are conserved and that there is no net loss of key fish habitats upon which they depend. To achieve this, Fisheries NSW ensures that developments comply with the requirements of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (namely the aquatic habitat protection and threatened species provisions in Parts 7 and 7A of the Act, respectively), and the associated *Policy and Guidelines for fish habitat conservation and management Update 2013*. In addition, NSW DPI is responsible for ensuring the sustainable management of commercial and recreational fishing in NSW.

Fisheries NSW has reviewed this proposal in light of these provisions and has no objections.

The Department does not support the proposal to build the wall on Crown Land in front of the private properties as there is ample space on the private land to construct the proposed wall.

The location of the works is high up the beach and is not inundated by water except under extreme conditions, consequently the Department does not consider the works to be in Key Fish Habitat and therefor do not require a permit from the Department.

The proposal does not include any dredging, reclamation, harm to marine vegetation, or blockage of fish passage.

If the location or design of this proposal changes Fisheries NSW will need to re-assess this proposal prior to obtaining owners consent on these amendments from Crown Lands. Note that conditions may be amended or the modified proposal rejected.

If you require any further information please contact me on (02) 4916 3931.

Yours sincerely,



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