

DELEGATED REPORT

TO: COORDINATOR PLANNING SERVICES

FROM: SENIOR PLANNER

FILE: OPW/23/0003

DATE: 27 FEBRUARY 2024

APPLICATION DETAILS

APPLICATION		PREMISES	
APPLICANT	J & C Eldred	ADDRESS	397 Speewah Road, Speewah
DATE LODGED	13 February 2024	RPD	Lot 2 on RP718600
TYPE OF APPROVAL	Development Permit		
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	Operational Works - Earthworks (Water Storage Dam)		

FILE NO	OPW/23/0003	AREA	50.038 ha
LODGED BY	Scope Town Planning	OWNER	J & C Eldred
PLANNING SCHEME	Mareeba Shire Council Planning Scheme 2016		
ZONE	Rural		
LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT	Code assessment		
SUBMISSIONS	n/a		

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Proposal Plan/s

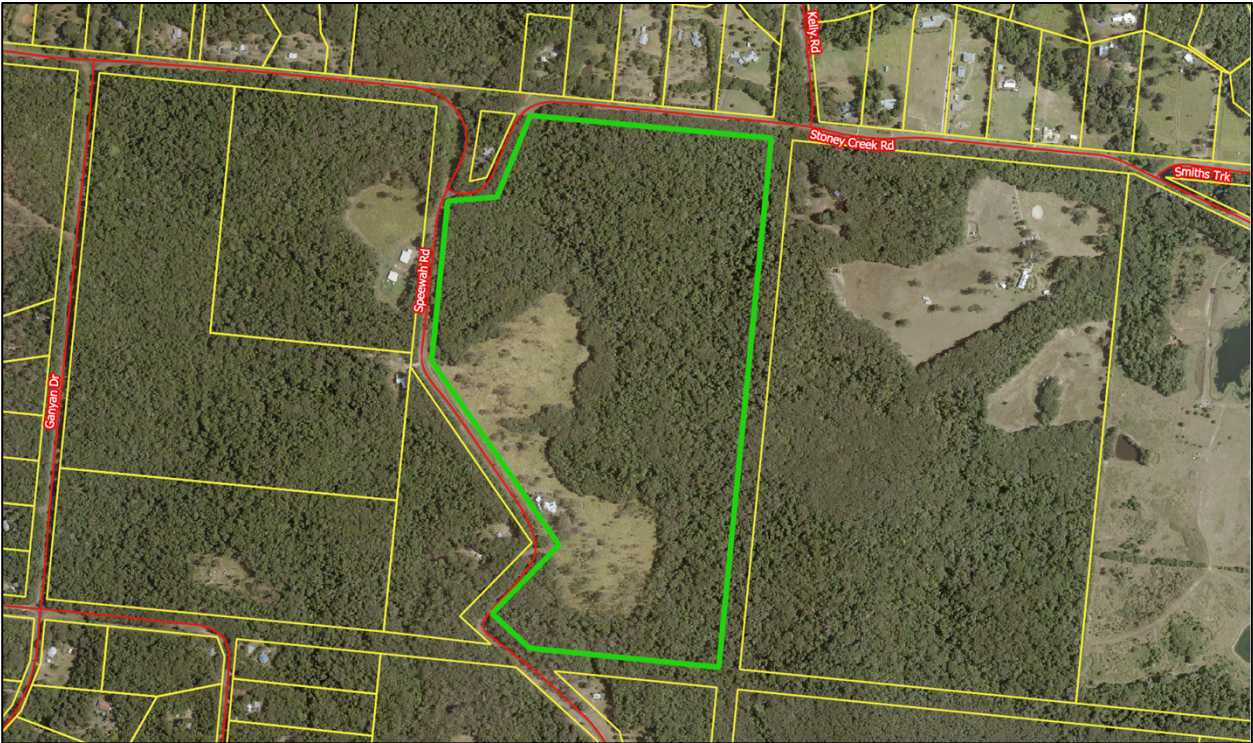
THE SITE

The subject site is situated at 397 Speewah Road, Speewah and is described as Lot 2 on RP718600. The site is irregular in shape with an area of 50.038 hectares and is zoned Rural under the Mareeba Shire Council Planning Scheme 2016.

The site contains approximately one (1) kilometre of frontage to Speewah Road and 720 metres of frontage to Stoney Creek Road. Both roads are constructed to rural bitumen sealed standard. Undeveloped road reserve encompasses the site to the south and east. Access to the subject site is obtained via an existing crossover on the Speewah Road frontage. No access is available off the Stoney Creek Road frontage.

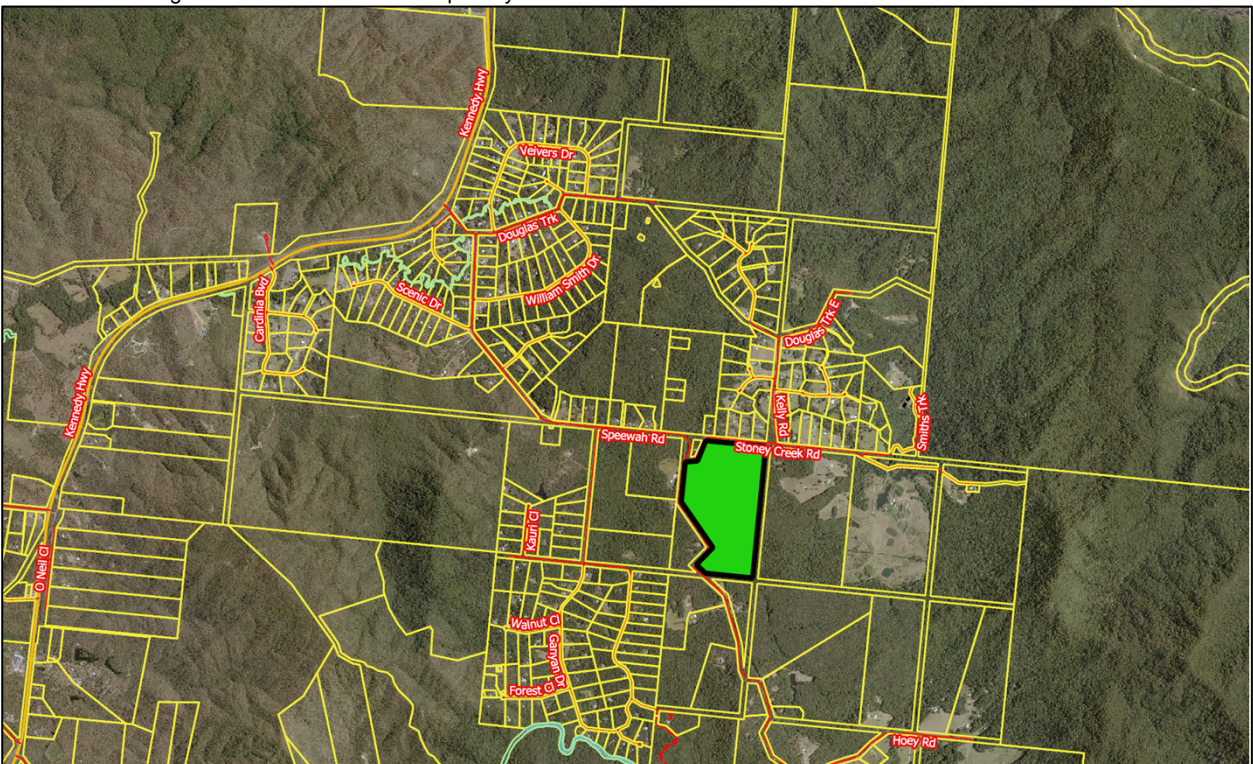
The site is improved by a dwelling house and outbuildings which are grouped together and located approximately 600 metres to the south of the Speewah Road/Stoney Creek Road intersection. The subject site remains mostly vegetated, apart from a 10 hectare clearing around the dwelling house and fronting Speewah Road.

Surrounding properties are zoned rural or rural residential and are primarily used for rural living purposes.



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PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS & APPROVALS

MCU/23/0007 – Animal Keeping (Equine Training Facility)

On 9 May 2023 Council, under delegated authority, approved an application made by J & C Eldred for Material Change of Use – Animal Keeping (Equine Training Facility) over land described as Lot 2 on RP718600, situated at 397 Stoney Creek Road, Speewah. To date, this approval has not been acted upon.

RAL/23/0013 – Reconfiguring a Lot – Boundary Realignment (Opening Road Reserve)

At its Ordinary Meeting held on 20 December 2023 Council approved an application made by J & C Eldred for Reconfiguring a Lot – Boundary Realignment (Opening Road Reserve) over land described as Lot 2 on RP718600, situated at 397 Speewah Road, Speewah. To date, Council has endorsed the new survey plan however it has not been registered with Titles Queensland.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The application seeks a Development Permit for Operational Works - Earthworks (Water Storage Dam) in accordance with the plans shown in **Attachment 1**.

The proposed dam will have a maximum capacity of approximately 4.5 megalitres when filled and will have a surface area/footprint of approximately 2,500-3,000m² at fully supply level. Approximately 2,500m² of mapped 'Wildlife habitat' will need to be cleared to construct the dam.

A grass cover spillway will be constructed on the northern side of the dam wall which will include rock lining and concrete retaining walls at key locations to minimise erosion.

ASSESSMENT

Relevant Development Codes

The following Development Codes are considered to be applicable to the assessment of the application:

- 6.2.9 Rural zone code
- 8.2.4 Environmental significance overlay code
- 9.4.5 Works, services and infrastructure code

The application did not include a planning report and assessment against the planning scheme. An officer assessment has found that the application satisfies the relevant acceptable solutions (or probable solutions/performance criteria where no acceptable solution applies) of the relevant codes set out below.

Relevant Codes	Comments
Rural zone code	The application complies with the relevant acceptable/performance outcomes contained within the code.
Environmental significance overlay code	The application complies with the relevant acceptable/performance outcomes contained within the code.
Works, services and infrastructure code	The application complies with the relevant acceptable/performance outcomes contained within the code.

6.2.9 Rural zone code

6.2.9.1 Application

- (1) This code applies to assessing development where:
 - (a) located in the Rural zone; and
 - (b) it is identified in the assessment criteria column of an assessment table in Part 5 of the planning scheme.

6.2.9.2 Purpose

- (1) The purpose of the Rural zone code is to:
 - (a) provide for rural uses including cropping, intensive horticulture, intensive animal industries, animal husbandry, animal keeping and other primary production activities;
 - (b) provide opportunities for non-rural uses that are compatible with agriculture, the environmental features, and landscape character of the rural area where the uses do not compromise the long-term use of the land for rural purposes;
 - (c) protect or manage significant natural resources and processes to maintain the capacity for primary production.
- (2) Mareeba Shire Council's purpose of the Rural zone code is to recognise the importance of primary production to the economy of the region and to maintain and strengthen the range of primary industries which contribute to the rural economy.

The purpose of the Rural zone code is to:

- (a) recognise the diversity of rural uses that exists throughout the region;
 - (b) protect the rural character of the region;
 - (c) provide facilities for visitors and tourists that are accessible and offer a unique experience;
 - (d) protect the infrastructure of the Mareeba-Dimbulah Irrigation Scheme Area from development which may compromise long term use for primary production;
 - (e) maintain distinct boundaries between the rural areas and the villages, towns and urban areas of the region;
 - (f) provide for a range of uses, compatible and associated with rural or ecological values including recreational pursuits and tourist activities;
 - (g) prevent adverse impacts of development on ecological values;
 - (h) preserve land in large holdings; and
 - (i) facilitate the protection of strategic corridors across the landscape which link remnant areas of intact habitat and transport corridors.
- (3) The purpose of the Rural zone code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - (a) Areas for use for primary production are conserved and fragmentation below economically viable lot sizes is avoided;
 - (b) The establishment of a wide range of rural pursuits is facilitated, including cropping, intensive horticulture, forestry, intensive animal industries, animal husbandry and animal keeping and other compatible primary production uses;
 - (c) The establishment of extractive industries, mining and associated activities and alternative forms of energy generation is appropriate where environmental impacts and land use conflicts are minimised;
 - (d) Uses that require isolation from urban areas as a consequence of their impacts such as noise or odour may be appropriate where land use conflicts are minimised;
 - (e) Development is reflective of and responsive to the environmental constraints of the land;
 - (f) Residential and other development is appropriate only where directly associated with the rural nature of the zone;
 - (g) Low-impact tourism and recreation activities do not compromise the long-term use of the land for rural purposes;
 - (h) The viability of both existing and future rural uses and activities is protected from the intrusion of incompatible uses;
 - (i) Visual impacts of clearing, building, materials, access ways and other aspects of development are minimised or appropriately managed;
 - (j) Adverse impacts of development both on-site and from adjoining areas are avoided and any impacts are minimised through location, design, operation and management; and

- (k) Natural features such as creeks, gullies, waterways, wetlands and bushland are retained, managed, enhanced and separated from adjacent development.

6.2.9.3 Criteria for assessment

Table 6.2.9.3—Rural zone code - For self-assessable and assessable development

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
For self-assessable and assessable development			
Height			
PO1 Building height takes into consideration and respects the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the height of existing buildings on adjoining premises; (b) the development potential, with respect to height, on adjoining premises; (c) the height of buildings in the vicinity of the site; (d) access to sunlight and daylight for the site and adjoining sites; (e) privacy and overlooking; and (f) site area and street frontage length. 	AO1.1 Development, other than buildings used for rural activities, has a maximum building height of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) 8.5 metres; and (b) 2 storeys above ground level. 	n/a	Not applicable.
	AO1.2 Buildings and structures associated with a rural activity including machinery, equipment, packing or storage buildings do not exceed 10 metres in height.	n/a	Not applicable.
Siting, where not involving a Dwelling house			
Note—Where for Dwelling house, the setbacks of the Queensland Development Code apply.			
PO2 Development is sited in a manner that considers and respects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the siting and use of adjoining premises; (b) access to sunlight and daylight for the site and adjoining sites; (c) privacy and overlooking; (d) air circulation and access to natural breezes; (e) appearance of building bulk; and (f) relationship with road corridors. 	AO2.1 Buildings and structures include a minimum setback of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) 40 metres from a frontage to a State-controlled road; and (b) 10 metres from a boundary to an adjoining lot. 	✓	Complies.
	AO2.2 Buildings and structures, where for a Roadside stall, include a minimum setback of 0 metres from a frontage to a road that is not a State-controlled road.	n/a	Not applicable.
	AO2.3 Buildings and structures, except where a Roadside	n/a	Not applicable.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
	stall, include a minimum setback of: (a) 10 metres from a frontage to a sealed road that is not a State-controlled road; and (b) 100 metres from a frontage to any other road that is not a State-controlled road;		
Accommodation density			
PO3 The density of Accommodation activities: (a) respects the nature and density of surrounding land use; (b) is complementary and subordinate to the rural and natural landscape values of the area; and (c) is commensurate to the scale and frontage of the site.	A03.1 Residential density does not exceed one dwelling house per lot.	n/a	Not applicable.
	A03.2 Residential density does not exceed two dwellings per lot and development is for: (a) a secondary dwelling; or (b) Caretaker's accommodation and includes building work or minor building work with a maximum gross floor area of 100m ² ; or (c) Rural worker's accommodation.	n/a	Not applicable.
For assessable development			
Site cover			
PO4 Buildings and structures occupy the site in a manner that: (a) makes efficient use of land; (b) is consistent with the bulk and scale of buildings in the surrounding area; and (c) appropriately balances built and natural features.	A04 No acceptable outcome is provided.	✓	The proposed development is for a water storage dam which is sited in a logical location on site and will not impact on the sites existing rural uses.
PO5 Development complements and integrates with the established built character of the Rural zone, having regard to:	A05 No acceptable outcome is provided.	✓	Complies where relevant.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
(a) roof form and pitch; (b) eaves and awnings; (c) building materials, colours and textures; and (d) window and door size and location.			
Amenity			
PO6 Development must not detract from the amenity of the local area, having regard to: (a) noise; (b) hours of operation; (c) traffic; (d) advertising devices; (e) visual amenity; (f) privacy; (g) lighting; (h) odour; and (i) emissions.	A06 No acceptable outcome is provided.	✓	Complies.
PO7 Development must take into account and seek to ameliorate any existing negative environmental impacts, having regard to: (a) noise; (b) hours of operation; (c) traffic; (d) advertising devices; (e) visual amenity; (f) privacy; (g) lighting; (h) odour; and (i) emissions.	A07 No acceptable outcome is provided.	n/a	Not applicable.

8.2.4 Environmental significance overlay code

8.2.4.1 Application

- (1) This code applies to assessing development where:
 - (a) land the subject of development is affected by a constraint category identified on the **Environmental significance overlay maps (OM-004a-z)**; and
 - (b) it is identified in the assessment criteria column of an assessment table in Part 5 of the planning scheme.

Note—Biodiversity and Water quality are appropriately reflected in Overlay Map 4 and is required to be mapped by State Government in response to Environment and Heritage State Interests.

8.2.4.2 Purpose

- (1) The purpose of the Environmental significance overlay code is to identify and protect matters of environmental significance, which include matters of state environmental significance (MSES) as defined under the state planning policy.

The Environmental significance overlay code ensures that:

- (a) waterways and high ecological significance wetlands are protected and enhanced to maintain ecosystem services and hydrological processes and provide aquatic habitat for flora and fauna; and
 - (b) the environmental values of regulated vegetation, wildlife habitat, protected areas and legally secured offset areas are protected and managed.
- (2) The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - (a) the biodiversity values, ecosystem services and climate change resilience of areas of environmental significance are protected, managed and enhanced;
 - (b) the biodiversity values of protected areas and legally secured offset areas are protected from development unless overriding community need is demonstrated;
 - (c) development is located, designed and managed to minimise the edge effects of development on areas of regulated vegetation and wildlife habitat;
 - (d) areas of regulated vegetation and wildlife habitat are managed to minimise biodiversity losses;
 - (e) development maintains, protects and enhances a regional network of vegetated corridors that assist in wildlife movement and contribute to the maintenance of habitat and biological diversity;
 - (f) development is appropriately setback from waterways and high ecological significance wetlands to minimise direct and indirect impacts on water quality and biodiversity; and
 - (g) riparian vegetation and vegetation associated with high ecological significance wetlands is protected and enhanced to improve water quality and natural ecosystem function.

8.2.4.3 Criteria for assessment

Table 8.2.4.3A - Environmental significance overlay code - For self-assessable and assessable development

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
For self-assessable and assessable development			
Regulated vegetation			
<p>PO1 Vegetation clearing in areas mapped as 'Regulated vegetation' identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) is avoided unless:</p> <p>(a) it is demonstrated that the area does not support regulated vegetation as mapped;</p> <p>(b) the loss or reduction in regulated vegetation is for community infrastructure and associated access facilities that cannot be avoided;</p> <p>(c) wildlife interconnectivity is maintained or enhanced at a local and regional scale; and</p> <p>(d) the loss or reduction in regulated vegetation is minimised and any residual impacts are offset.</p> <p>Note—A supporting Ecological Assessment Report is prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 2 – Ecological Assessment Reports.</p> <p>Note—Refer to Ecological corridors identified on SFM001-009 in consideration of wildlife connectivity at a regional scale.</p>	<p>AO1.1 No clearing of native vegetation is undertaken within areas of 'Regulated vegetation' identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o).</p>	n/a	Not applicable.
<p>PO2 Development on sites adjacent to areas of 'Regulated vegetation' identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) protects the environmental significance of regulated vegetation and:</p> <p>(a) does not interrupt, interfere, alter or otherwise impact on underlying natural ecosystem processes</p>	<p>AO2 Development (excluding roads, earthworks, drainage infrastructure and underground infrastructure) is not located within 20 metres of 'Regulated vegetation' areas identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o).</p>	n/a	Not applicable.

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
<p>such as water quality, hydrology, geomorphology and biophysical processes;</p> <p>(b) does not negatively impact the movement of wildlife at a local or regional scale; and</p> <p>(c) avoids noise, light, vibration or other edge affects, including weed and pest incursion on identified environmental values.</p> <p>Note—A supporting Ecological Assessment Report is prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 2 – Ecological Assessment Reports.</p> <p>Note—Refer to Ecological corridors identified on SFM001-009 in consideration of wildlife connectivity at a regional scale.</p>			
Regulated vegetation intersecting a watercourse			
<p>PO3 Vegetation clearing in areas mapped as 'Regulated vegetation intersecting a watercourse', identified as 'Waterway' and 'Waterway buffer' on the Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) is avoided unless wildlife interconnectivity between habitats is maintained or enhanced at a local and regional scale, to the extent that migration or normal movement of significant species between habitats or normal gene flow between populations is not inhibited.</p> <p>Note—A supporting Ecological Assessment Report is prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 2 – Ecological Assessment Reports.</p> <p>Note—Refer to Ecological corridors identified on SFM001-009 in consideration of wildlife connectivity at a regional scale.</p>	<p>Where within a 'Waterway buffer' on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z)</p> <p>AO3.1 A minimum setback in accordance with Table 8.2.4.3B is provided between development and the top of the high bank of a 'Waterway' identified on the Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z).</p> <p>Where within a 'Waterway buffer' on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z)</p> <p>AO3.2 No clearing of native vegetation is undertaken within the minimum setback identified at AO3.1.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Complies with PO3</p>	<p>Complies.</p> <p>Refer to Protected Plant Flora Survey prepared by Northern Ecology. The clearing proposed is on the western edge of a 500m wide vegetated corridor and is therefore not likely to impact on wildlife movement throughout the property. The</p>

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
			development complies with PO3.
Waterways and wetlands			
<p>PO4 'High ecological significance wetlands' identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) and 'Waterways' on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) and are protected by:</p> <p>(a) maintaining adequate separation distances between waterways/wetlands and development;</p> <p>(b) maintaining and enhancing aquatic and terrestrial habitat including vegetated corridors to allow for native fauna (terrestrial and aquatic) movement;</p>	<p>Where within a 'Waterway buffer' on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) AO4.1 A minimum setback in accordance with Table 8.2.4.3B is provided between development and the top of the high bank of a 'Waterway' identified on the Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z).</p>	<p>✓</p>	<p>Complies.</p>
<p>(c) maintaining waterway bank stability by minimising bank erosion and slumping;</p> <p>(d) maintaining water quality by providing buffers to allow filtering of sediments, nutrients and other pollutants; and</p> <p>(e) retaining and improving existing riparian</p>	<p>Where within a 'High ecological significance wetland buffer' on Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) AO4.2 A minimum buffer of 200 metres is provided between development and the edge of a 'High ecological significance wetland' identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o).</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
<p>vegetation and existing vegetation associated with a wetland.</p> <p>Note—A supporting Ecological Assessment Report is prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 2 – Ecological Assessment Reports.</p>	<p>Where within a ‘Waterway buffer’ on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) or ‘High ecological significance wetland buffer’ on Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) AO4.3</p> <p>No stormwater is discharged to a ‘Waterway’ on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) or ‘High ecological significance wetland’ identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o).</p> <p>Note— An alternative outcome is required to demonstrate that the ecological impacts of stormwater discharge to a ‘Waterway’ or ‘High ecological significance wetland’ are mitigated in accordance with PO3 through appropriate stormwater management / treatment (where possible).</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>Complies with PO4</p>	<p>Only excess water discharged from the dam spillway will reach the adjacent waterway. This water would ordinarily flow through the catchment and will not contain any contaminants. The development complies with PO4 where relevant.</p>

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
	<p>Where within a ‘Waterway buffer’ on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) or ‘High ecological significance wetland buffer’ on Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o) AO4.4</p> <p>No wastewater is discharged to a ‘Waterway’ on Environmental Significance - Waterway Overlay Maps (OM-004p-z) or ‘High ecological significance wetland’ identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Map (OM-004a-z).</p> <p>Note— A alternative outcome is required to demonstrate that the ecological impacts of wastewater discharge to a ‘Waterway’ or ‘High ecological significance wetland’ are mitigated in accordance with PO3 through appropriate wastewater management / treatment (where possible).</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Not applicable - the proposed water storage dam will collect stormwater that would ordinarily flow into the seasonal gully and reach the adjacent seasonal creek.</p>

Wildlife Habitat			
<p>PO5 Development within a 'Wildlife habitat' area identified on the Environmental Significance Overlay Maps (OM-004a-o):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) protects and enhances the habitat of Endangered, Vulnerable and Near Threatened (EVNT) species and local species of significance; (b) incorporates siting and design measures to protect and retain identified ecological values and underlying ecosystem processes within or adjacent to the development site; (c) maintains or enhances wildlife interconnectivity at a local and regional scale; and (d) mitigates the impact of other forms of potential disturbance (such as presence of vehicles, pedestrian use, increased exposure to domestic animals, noise and lighting impacts) to protect critical life stage ecological processes (such as feeding, breeding or roosting). <p>Note—Development applications must identify any EVNT species or their habitats that may be affected by the proposal. In particular, applications are to identify and describe how the development avoids adverse impacts on ecological processes within or adjacent to the development area.</p> <p>Note—A supporting Ecological Assessment Report is prepared in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 2 – Ecological Assessment Reports.</p>	<p>A05 No acceptable outcome is provided</p>	<p>✓ Complies with PO5</p>	<p>The proposed dam development will result in the clearing of approximately 2,500m² of mapped "Wildlife habitat".</p> <p>Refer to Protected Plant Flora Survey prepared by Northern Ecology submitted with the application. The clearing proposed is on the western edge of a 500m wide vegetated corridor and is therefore not likely to impact on wildlife movement. A survey of the proposed clearance site. The flora survey did identify 1 listed protected species present within clearance impact area (100m buffer around proposed clearance area) however this protected species was not found within the proposed clearance area itself. The flora study recommends that all works, including ancillary works (i.e. access tracks, laydown areas) should be contained to either the clearance area or the already clearing land adjacent the clearance area to minimise impacts on the species.</p> <p>The proposed development will be conditioned to comply with PO5.</p>

Table 8.2.4.3B - Setback and buffer distances from waterways

Stream order	Setback and buffer from waterways
1	10 metres from top of high bank
2-4	25 metres from top of high bank
5 or more	50 metres from top of high bank

Note—The stream order of a 'waterway' is to be determined on a case by case basis.

9.4.5 Works, services and infrastructure code

9.4.5.1 Application

- (1) This code applies to assessing development where it is identified in the assessment criteria column of an assessment table in Part 5 of the planning scheme.

9.4.5.2 Purpose

- (1) The purpose of the Works, services and infrastructure code is to ensure that all development is appropriately serviced by physical infrastructure, public utilities and services and that work associated with development is carried out in a manner that does not adversely impact on the surrounding area.
- (2) The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
- Development provides an adequate, safe and reliable supply of potable, fire-fighting and general use water in accordance with relevant standards;
 - Development provides for the treatment and disposal of wastewater and ensures there are no adverse impacts on water quality, public health, local amenity or ecological processes;
 - Development provides for the disposal of stormwater and ensures that there are no adverse impacts on water quality or ecological processes;
 - Development connects to the road network and any adjoining public transport, pedestrian and cycle networks while ensuring no adverse impacts on the safe, convenient and efficient operation of these networks;
 - Development provides electricity and telecommunications services that meet its desired requirements;
 - Development is connected to a nearby electricity network with adequate capacity without significant environment, social or amenity impact;
 - Development does not affect the efficient functioning of public utility mains, services or installations;
 - Infrastructure dedicated to Council is cost effective over its life cycle;
 - Work associated with development does not cause adverse impacts on the surrounding area; and
 - Development prevents the spread of weeds, seeds or other pests.

9.4.5.3 Criteria for assessment

Table 9.4.5.3 - Works, services and infrastructure code – For self-assessable and assessable development

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
For self-assessable and assessable development			
Water supply			
PO1 Each lot has an adequate volume and supply of water that: (a) meets the needs of users;	AO1.1 Development is connected to a reticulated water supply system in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional	n/a	Not applicable - the development is for a water storage dam and does not

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
<p>(b) is adequate for fire-fighting purposes;</p> <p>(c) ensures the health, safety and convenience of the community; and</p> <p>(d) minimises adverse impacts on the receiving environment.</p>	<p>Development Manual other than where located:</p> <p>(a) in the Conservation zone, Rural zone or Rural residential zone; and</p> <p>(b) outside a reticulated water supply service area.</p>		<p>require a water supply.</p>
	<p>AO1.2 Development, where located outside a reticulated water supply service area and in the Conservation zone, Rural zone or Rural residential zone is provided with:</p> <p>(a) a bore or bores are provided in accordance with the Design Guidelines set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual; or</p> <p>(b) on-site water storage tank/s:</p> <p>(i) with a minimum capacity of 90,000L;</p> <p>(ii) fitted with a 50mm ball valve with a camlock fitting; and</p> <p>(iii) which are installed and connected prior to the occupation or use of the development.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>See above.</p>
Wastewater disposal			
<p>PO2 Each lot provides for the treatment and disposal of effluent and other waste water that:</p> <p>(a) meets the needs of users;</p> <p>(b) is adequate for fire-fighting purposes;</p> <p>(c) ensures the health, safety and convenience of the community; and</p> <p>(d) minimises adverse impacts on the receiving environment.</p>	<p>AO2.1 Development is connected to a reticulated sewerage system in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual other than where located:</p> <p>(a) in the Conservation zone, Rural zone or Rural residential zone; and</p> <p>(b) outside a reticulated sewerage service area.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>The proposed development is for a water storage dam and does not require wastewater disposal.</p>
	<p>AO2.2 An effluent disposal system is provided in accordance with ASNZ 1547 On-Site Domestic Wastewater Management (as amended) where development is located:</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>See above.</p>

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Complies	Comments
	(a) in the Conservation zone, Rural zone or Rural residential zone; and (b) outside a reticulated sewerage service area.		

Stormwater infrastructure			
<p>PO3 Stormwater infrastructure is designed and constructed to collect and convey the design storm event to a lawful point of discharge in a manner that mitigates impacts on life and property.</p>	<p>AO3.1 Where located within a Priority infrastructure area or where stormwater infrastructure is available, development is connected to Council's stormwater network in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual.</p>	n/a	The proposed development is for a water storage dam and does not require a stormwater connection.
	<p>AO3.2 On-site drainage systems are constructed: (a) to convey stormwater from the premises to a lawful point of discharge; and (b) in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual.</p>	✓	The proposed dam will include a spillway which will direct excess water downstream of the dam through the existing gully.
Electricity supply			
<p>PO4 Each lot is provided with an adequate supply of electricity</p>	<p>AO4 The premises: (a) is connected to the electricity supply network; or (b) has arranged a connection to the transmission grid; or (c) where not connected to the network, an independent energy system with sufficient capacity to service the development (at near average energy demands associated with the use) may be provided as an alternative to reticulated electricity where: (i) it is approved by the relevant regulatory authority; and (ii) it can be demonstrated that no air or noise emissions; and (iii) it can be demonstrated that no adverse impact on visual amenity will occur.</p>	n/a	Not applicable.

Telecommunications infrastructure			
PO5 Each lot is provided with an adequate supply of telecommunication infrastructure	AO5 Development is provided with a connection to the national broadband network or telecommunication services.	n/a	Not applicable.
Existing public utility services			
PO6 Development and associated works do not affect the efficient functioning of public utility mains, services or installations.	AO6 Public utility mains, services are relocated, altered or repaired in association with the works so that they continue to function and satisfy the relevant Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual.	n/a	Not applicable.
Excavation or filling			
PO7 Excavation or filling must not have an adverse impact on the: (a) streetscape; (b) scenic amenity; (c) environmental values; (d) slope stability; (e) accessibility; or (f) privacy of adjoining premises.	AO7.1 Excavation or filling does not occur within 1.5 metres of any site boundary.	✓	Complies.
	AO7.2 Excavation or filling at any point on a lot is to be no greater than 1.5 metres above or below natural ground level.	✓ Complies with performance outcome	The proposed water storage dam will involve construction typically found in rural areas. The dam is not likely to have a visual impact on surrounding properties given the rural locality and the fact that the dam wall will be constructed within an existing gully.
	AO7.3 Earthworks batters: (a) are no greater than 1.5 metres in height; (b) are stepped with a minimum width 2 metre berm; (c) do not exceed a maximum of two batters and two berms (not greater than 3.6 metres in total height) on any one lot; (d) have a slope no greater than 1 in 4; and (e) are retained.	✓ Complies with performance outcome.	The proposed dam wall design has been certified by an RPEQ Engineer.
	AO7.4	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.

	Soil used for filling or spoil from excavation is not stockpiled in locations that can be viewed from: (a) adjoining premises; or (b) a road frontage, for a period exceeding 1 month from the commencement of the filling or excavation.		
	A07.5 All batters and berms to be constructed in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
	A07.6 Retaining walls have a maximum height of 1.5 metres and are designed and constructed in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development manual.	n/a	Not applicable.
	A07.7 Excavation or filling at any point on a lot is to include measures that protect trees at the foot or top of cut or fill batters by the use of appropriate retaining methods and sensitive earth removal or placement and in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development manual.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
For assessable development			
Transport network			
PO8 The development has access to a transport network of adequate standard to provide for the safe and efficient movement of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists.	A08.1 Vehicle access, crossovers, road geometry, pavement, utilities and landscaping to the frontage/s of the site are designed and constructed in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development manual.	n/a	Not applicable.
	A08.2 Development provides footpath pavement treatments in accordance with Planning Scheme Policy 9 – Footpath Paving.	n/a	Not applicable.
Public infrastructure			

<p>PO9 The design, construction and provision of any infrastructure that is to be dedicated to Council is cost effective over its life cycle and incorporates provisions to minimise adverse impacts.</p>	<p>AO9 Development is in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>
<p>Stormwater quality</p>			
<p>PO10 Development has a non-worsening effect on the site and surrounding land and is designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) optimise the interception, retention and removal of waterborne pollutants, prior to the discharge to receiving waters; (b) protect the environmental values of waterbodies affected by the development, including upstream, on-site and downstream waterbodies; (c) achieve specified water quality objectives; (d) minimise flooding; (e) maximise the use of natural channel design principles; (f) maximise community benefit; and (g) minimise risk to public safety. 	<p>AO10.1 The following reporting is prepared for all Material change of use or Reconfiguring a lot proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a Stormwater Management Plan and Report that meets or exceeds the standards of design and construction set out in the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (QUDM) and the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development Manual; and (b) an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan that meets or exceeds the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Guidelines (Institute of Engineers Australia), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) drainage control; (ii) erosion control; (iii) sediment control; and (iv) water quality outcomes. 	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>
	<p>AO10.2 For development on land greater than 2,500m² or that result in more than 5 lots or more than 5 dwellings or accommodation units, a Stormwater Quality Management Plan and Report prepared and certified by a suitably qualified design engineer (RPEQ) is prepared that demonstrates that the development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) meets or exceeds the standards of design and construction set out in the Urban Stormwater Quality Planning Guideline and the Queensland Water Quality Guideline; (b) is consistent with any local area stormwater water management planning; 	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>

	<p>(c) accounts for development type, construction phase, local climatic conditions and design objectives; and</p> <p>(d) provides for stormwater quality treatment measures reflecting land use constraints, such as soil type, landscape features (including landform), nutrient hazardous areas, acid sulfate soil and rainfall erosivity.</p>		
<p>PO11 Storage areas for stormwater detention and retention:</p> <p>(a) protect or enhance the environmental values of receiving waters;</p> <p>(b) achieve specified water quality objectives;</p> <p>(c) where possible, provide for recreational use;</p> <p>(d) maximise community benefit; and</p> <p>(e) minimise risk to public safety.</p>	<p>AO11 No acceptable outcome is provided.</p>	n/a	Not applicable.
Excavation or filling			
<p>PO12 Traffic generated by filling or excavation does not impact on the amenity of the surrounding area.</p>	<p>AO12.1 Haul routes used for transportation of fill to or from the site only use major roads and avoid residential areas.</p>	n/a	Not applicable - The subject site is only accessible via rural roads.
	<p>AO12.2 Transportation of fill to or from the site does not occur:</p> <p>(a) within peak traffic times; and</p> <p>(b) before 7am or after 6pm Monday to Friday;</p> <p>(c) before 7am or after 1pm Saturdays; and</p> <p>(d) on Sundays or Public Holidays.</p>	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.

PO13 Air pollutants, dust and sediment particles from excavation or filling, do not cause significant environmental harm or nuisance impacts.	AO13.1 Dust emissions do not extend beyond the boundary of the site.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
	AO13.2 No other air pollutants, including odours, are detectable at the boundary of the site.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
	AO13.3 A management plan for control of dust and air pollutants is prepared and implemented.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
PO14 Access to the premises (including driveways and paths) does not have an adverse impact on: (a) safety; (b) drainage; (c) visual amenity; and (d) privacy of adjoining premises.	AO14 Access to the premises (including all works associated with the access): (a) must follow as close as possible to the existing contours; (b) be contained within the premises and not the road reserve, and (c) are designed and constructed in accordance with the Design Guidelines and Specifications set out in the Planning Scheme Policy 4 – FNQROC Regional Development manual.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
Weed and pest management			
PO15 Development prevents the spread of weeds, seeds or other pests into clean areas or away from infested areas.	AO15 No acceptable outcome is provided.	✓	Can be conditioned to comply.
Contaminated land			
PO16 Development is located and designed to ensure that users and nearby sensitive land uses are not exposed to unacceptable levels of contaminants	AO16 Development is located where: (a) soils are not contaminated by pollutants which represent a health or safety risk to users; or (b) contaminated soils are remediated prior to plan sealing, operational works permit, or issuing of building works permit.	n/a	Not applicable.
Fire services in developments accessed by common private title			
PO17 Fire hydrants are located in positions that will enable fire services to access water safely, effectively and efficiently.	AO17.1 Fire hydrants are located in accessways or private roads held in common private title at a maximum spacing of: (a) 120 metres for residential development; and (b) 90 metres for any other development.	n/a	Not applicable.

	<p>AO17.2 Fire hydrants are located at all intersections of accessways or private roads held in common private title.</p>	n/a	Not applicable.
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Section	Assessment
DP1 - Development Principles	N/A
AP1 - Application Procedures	OK
D1 - Road Geometry	N/A
D2 - Site Regrading	OK
D3 - Road Pavements	N/A
D4 - Stormwater Drainage	N/A
D5 - Stormwater Quality Management	N/A
D6 - Water Reticulation	N/A
D7 - Sewerage System	N/A
D8 - Utilities	N/A
D9 - Landscaping	N/A
CP1 - Construction Procedures	OK
S1 - Earthworks Specifications	OK
S2 - Road Pavement Specifications	N/A
S3 - Segmental Paving Specifications	N/A
S4 - Stormwater Drainage Specifications	N/A
S5 - Water Reticulation Specifications	N/A
S6 - Sewerage Reticulation Specifications	N/A
S7 - Concrete Works Specifications	N/A
S8 - Landscaping Specifications	N/A
LG Specific -TRC Requirements	N/A
Standard Drawings	N/A

REFERRALS

The application did not trigger referral to the State Referral Agency for clearing of vegetation.

Internal Consultation

N/A

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

1. That in relation to the following development application:

APPLICATION		PREMISES	
APPLICANT	J & C Eldred	ADDRESS	397 Speewah Road, Speewah
DATE LODGED	13 February 2024	RPD	Lot 2 on RP718600
TYPE OF APPROVAL	Development Permit		
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	Operational Works - Earthworks (Water Storage Dam)		

and in accordance with the Planning Act 2016, the applicant be notified that the application for a development permit for the development specified in (A) is:

Approved by Council in accordance with the approved plans/documents listed in (B), subject to assessment manager conditions in (C), assessment manager's advice in (D), further permits in (E), and further approvals from Council listed in (F);

And

The assessment manager does not consider that the assessment manager's decision conflicts with a relevant instrument.

(A) APPROVED DEVELOPMENT: Development Permit for Operational Works - Earthworks (Water Storage Dam)

(B) APPROVED PLANS:

Plan/Document Number	Plan/Document Title	Prepared by	Dated
ELD_001_A3	Proposed Gully Dam Project	North Australian Water Strategies	12/08/2023
ELD_002_A3	Proposed Dam-Site	North Australian Water Strategies	12/08/2023

(C) ASSESSMENT MANAGER'S CONDITIONS (COUNCIL)

(a) General

- (i) All operational works must be designed and constructed in accordance with the procedures as set out in the FNQROC Development Manual.
 - (ii) Development must be carried out substantially in accordance with the approved plans and the facts and circumstances of the use as submitted with the application, and subject to any alterations:
 - found necessary by the Council's Delegated Officer at the time of examination of the engineering plans or during construction of the development because of particular engineering requirements;
 - to ensure the works comply in all respects with the requirements and procedures of the FNQROC Development Manual and good engineering practice; and
 - to ensure compliance with the following conditions of approval.
 - (iii) Council's examination of the documents should not be taken to mean that the documents have been checked in detail and Council takes no responsibility for their accuracy. If during construction, inadequacies of the design are discovered, it is the responsibility of the Principal Consulting Engineer to resubmit amended plans to Council for approval and rectify works accordingly.
 - (iv) Note, this approval is for a water storage dam only. The dam is NOT to be used for swimming. If it is to be used for swimming then a separate Development Permit will need to be obtained for building work.
- (b) Filling or excavation (excluding access roads) is not permitted within 1.5 metres of any property boundary.

(c) Hours of Work

- (i) Work involving the operation of construction plant and equipment of any description, shall only be carried out on site during the following times:
- 7.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday;
 - 7.00am to 1.00pm Saturdays;
 - No work is permitted on Sundays or Public Holidays.
- (ii) No variation to the above working hours is allowed unless otherwise agreed in writing by Council.

(d) Transportation of Soil

- (i) All soil transported to or from the site must be covered to prevent dust or spillage during transport. If soil is tracked or spilt onto the road pavement from works on the subject land, it must be removed no later than at the end of each working day. Sediment must not enter Council's stormwater drainage network.

(e) Dam Construction

- (i) Dam construction must be undertaken strictly in accordance with design plans submitted with the application.
- (ii) Within three (3) months following the completion of construction of dam works, any disturbed areas are grassed to provide a coverage of at least 8m² in every 10m² to minimise the potential for erosion or dust.
- (iii) A Protected Plant Clearing Permit under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 is required from the Department of Environment and Science as per the recommendation included in the Protected Plant Flora Survey Report submitted with the application. This Permit should be obtained prior to any clearing works commencing.
- (iv) Vegetation clearing associated with the dam construction must be limited to that required for the construction of the dam wall including the eastern dam wall batter and any spillway erosion protection immediately downstream of the dam wall and spillway as shown on the approved plans. No clearing to the east of the dam wall is permitted.

(D) RELEVANT PERIOD

When approval lapses if development not started (s.85)

- Any other development – two (2) years (starting the day the approval takes effect).

(E) OTHER NECESSARY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS AND/OR COMPLIANCE PERMITS

- Nil

(F) OTHER NECESSARY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS AND/OR COMPLIANCE PERMITS

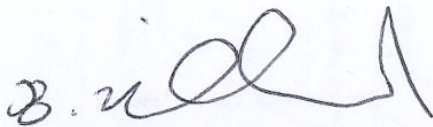
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DECISION BY DELEGATE

DECISION

Having considered the Senior Planners report detailed above, I approve, as delegate of Council, the application subject to the conditions listed in the report.

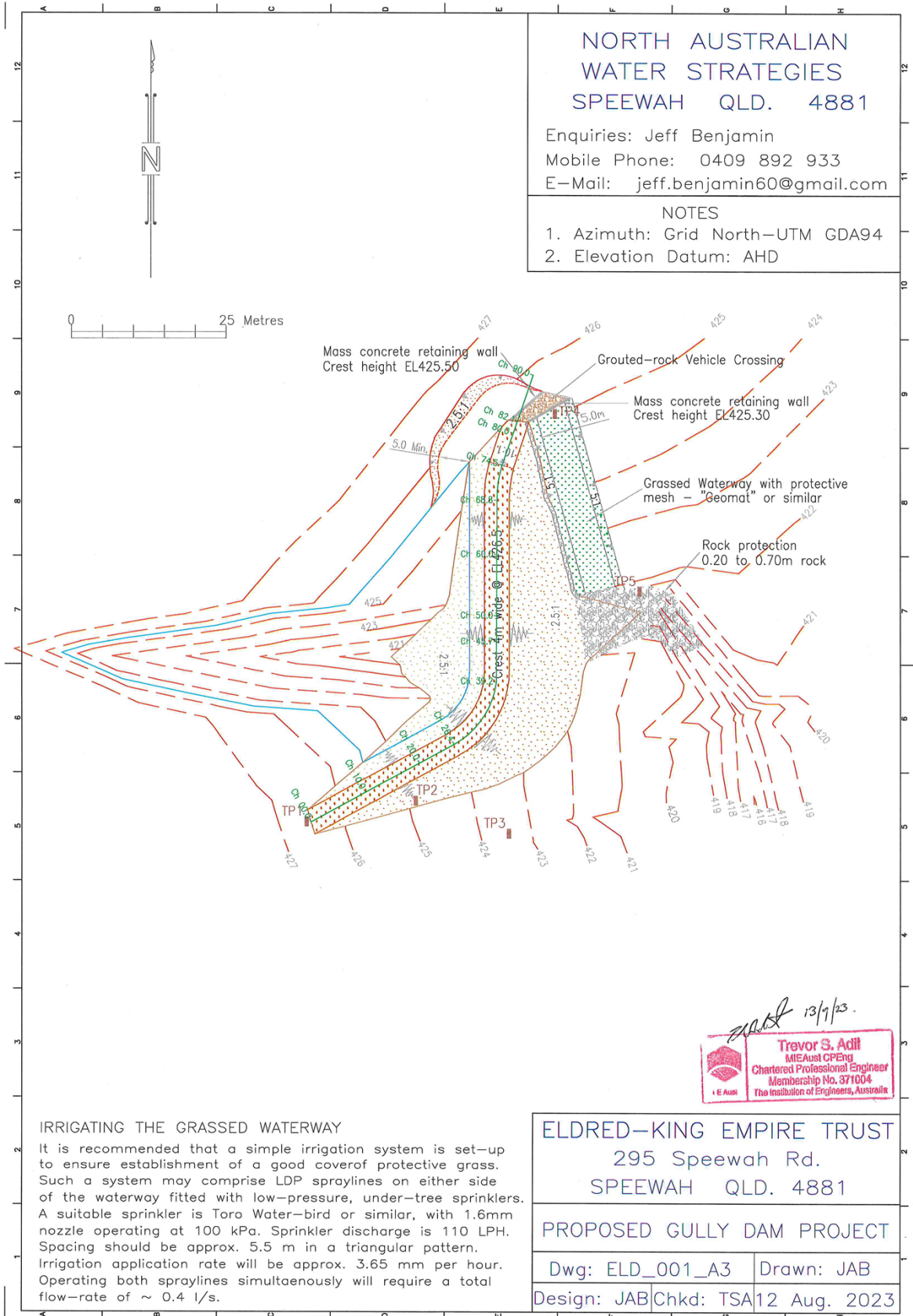
Dated the 27th day of FEBRUARY 2024



BRIAN MILLARD
COORDINATOR PLANNING SERVICES

MAREEBA SHIRE
AS DELEGATE OF THE COUNCIL

PROPOSAL PLANS



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