OSE Reference: 24070



8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Freshwater Planning Pty Ltd 17 Barron View Drive Freshwater Qld 4870

## Attention: Matthew Andrejic

Dear Matthew,

## Re: MCU for a tourist park on Fichera Road Mareeba for R & M Patane – MSC request for information – MCU/23/0021.

We refer to Mareeba Shire Council's RFI dated 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023, which requested a traffic impact assessment to determine whether the additional traffic generated by this proposal, would have any significant impact on road safety for the users of Fichera Road.

The project includes the provision of 16 camping sites located in 5 separate areas, four of these will be served by 1 access to Fichera Road and the remaining site served by a separate access located approximately 275 metres apart. The overall site and access locations are shown on the attached site plan.

In determining any traffic or safety impact due to this proposal we have, apart from our own assessment, been assisted by advice from Council of existing traffic data and the knowledge of previous traffic reports for other developments in Fichera Road. Whilst it is noted that the application allows for up to 74 persons there are only 16 sites proposed.

In assessing the impact on traffic due to this proposal we have based our conclusion on the following factors:

- 1. The traffic generated by this proposal will consist primarily of car+caravan or camper/trailer and motorhomes.
- 2. An occupancy rate of 70% allowing for the non-tourist times of the year.
- 3. Total current forecast of 521 VPD.
- 4. Due to the nature of site users there will be minimum impact on peak hour flows as most movements will be outside of peak hours.
- 5. Daily trip allowance/site is 4 trips. The majority of these will only be a car or motorhome for day trips or shopping.
- 6. Existing traffic includes heavy vehicles and semi-trailers which are not included in the traffic count.
- 7. Fichera Road has sufficient width to carry two lanes of traffic and is in reasonable condition.

Based on the preceding comments traffic generation was determined as follows:

- 4 trips/day/site @ 70% occupancy equates to 45 VPD.
- Maximum peak hour increase (unlikely) would be 4 VPH.
- 45VPD represents an overall increase of 8.6%.



## Conclusion:

It is our view that:

- a) There is no significant impact on the existing bridge over Tinaroo Creek.
- b) There is no significant impact on the Fichera Road/Tinaroo Creek Road intersection.
- c) Given the existing width and condition of Fichera Road, there is no significant impact on this road.

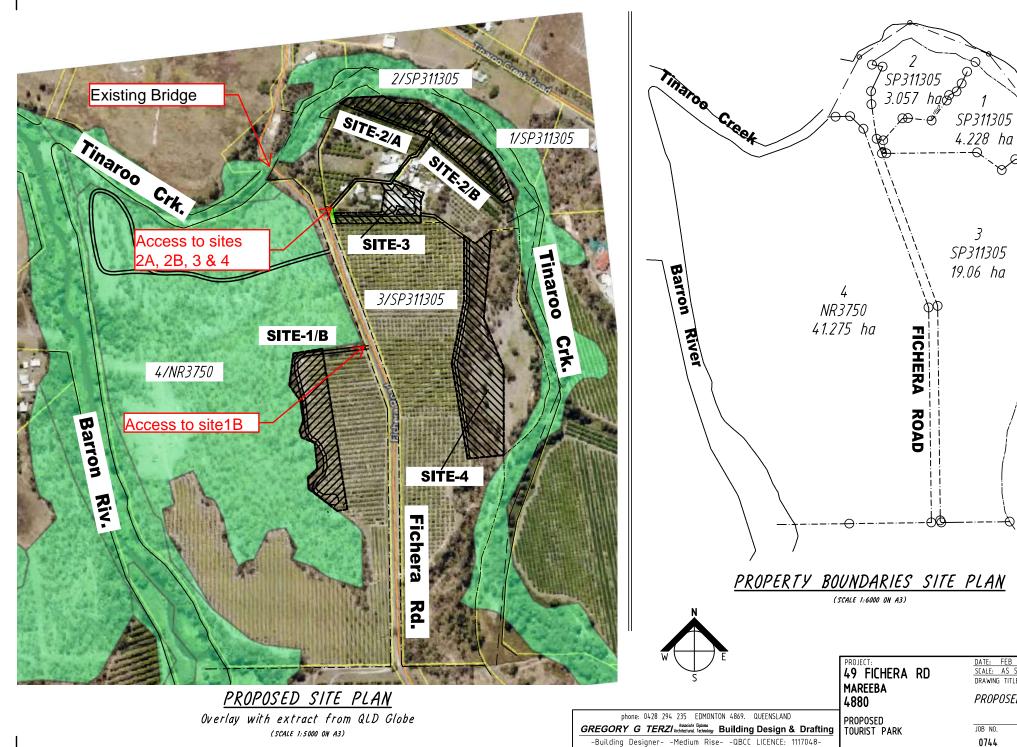
On this basis there are no safety issues on Fichera Road, and no upgrading works are required. However, for safety reasons and controlled turning of vehicles from Fichera Road into the two access points we recommend that these accesses should be upgraded to provide a sealed entry from the edge of the bitumen seal to the property boundary. Provision should be made for culverts or causeways to accommodate stormwater flows along Fichera Road if required. These accesses should be constructed in accordance with FNQROC drawing S1105 with a minimum entry width of 4 metres. A copy of the relevant drawing is attached.

We trust that this report and conclusions address the Council's RFI to their satisfaction. Should you require additional information or clarification of any matter please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Yours Sincerely,

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