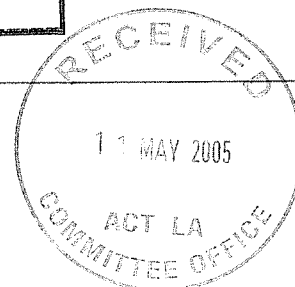


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Jaireth, Hanna

From: Jenny Bounds [jbounds@tpg.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2005 11:07 AM
To: Jaireth, Hanna
Subject: Re: Final Draft Variation No 231 East Gungahlin (Kenny/Throsby)



Thanks Hanna - yes you can regard this as a submission, but we would like to and intend to put our concerns in more written detail.

Jenny

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From: Jaireth, Hanna
To: Jenny Bounds
Cc: GENTLEMAN ; PORTER ; SESELJA
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2005 9:50 AM
Subject: RE: Final Draft Variation No 231 East Gungahlin (Kenny/Throsby)

Dear Jenny

Thankyou for your email, which has been referred to members of the committee for consideration. Your interest in the work of the committee is appreciated.

The Standing Committee on Planning and Environment agreed yesterday to invite submissions in relation to DV231. The Committee also agreed to use DV231 as a case-study in a broader examination of wildlife corridors and the integration of biodiversity conservation in land use planning, along with an assessment of the other planning principles for a sustainable Canberra which are in DV231.

I am sure that the Committee will want to do a site visit with stakeholders but given that two Members of our Committee are on the Estimates Select Committee, they will be unavailable for a site visit for the next 4 weeks or so.

The Committee will be formally inviting submissions through public advertisements and will write to stakeholders directly in due course. Do you want to have this email formally received as a submission?

Yours sincerely

Hanna Jaireth

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2005 9:16 AM

To: Jaireth, Hanna

Subject: Final Draft Variation No 231 East Gungahlin (Kenny/Throsby)

Hi Hanna: Im aware that this variation to the Territory Plan will be considered by the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment in the near future. Im emailing on behalf of the Canberra Ornithologists Group (COG), our concerns at this Plan, and asking the Committee to undertake a full review, site inspection and consultation with environmental groups, before making its report and recommendations. Im one of the people who met you and Committee Members, Mary Porter and Mick Gentleman, at the East O'Malley site.

In relation to East Gungahlin, COG remains very concerned about several matters:

- . housing development east of Horse Park Drive, which we believe will seriously compromise the adjacent reserves of Mulligans Flat and Goorooyarroo - COG is opposed to housing development there, particularly in a narrow neck of land at the northern end of the suburb, and maintains that this area should more appropriately be a bufferzone/broadacre purposes
- . a significant fire risk for the proposed suburb of Throsby, and concerns that bushfire abatement zones (and prescribed burning), will occur within the boundaries of these very important reserves. COGs view is that where new developments are proposed adjacent to exisiting reserves, this zone must be entirely outside the reserves.

With the slow down in housing demand in Gungahlin, COG questions why this sensitive area has to be developed for housing at all. The woodland corridor of which Mulligan's Flat and Goorooyarroo is a part, is the most important woodland complex and wildlife corridor in the ACT, and a key area for a suite of endangered and threatened birds. We do not believe this Final Variation will ensure the ongoing sustainability of biodiversity generally and birds particularly in these important reserves.

Im aware that the Conservation Council for the SE Region and Canberra (of which COG is a member) will also be contacting you/the Committee with similar concerns.

We would welcome the opportunity to speak directly with the Committee's members. My phone no is 6288 7802 if you wish to speak with me
kind regards
Jenny

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