

23 May 2024

Dr David Ritchie
Chairman NT Planning Commission
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Dear Dr Ritchie

Re: Draft Greater Holtze Area Plan – Updates following statutory exhibition of proposed Planning Scheme Amendment to include within NT Planning Scheme

Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment PA2023/0227 to include the Greater Holtze Area Plan (GHAP) into the scheme concluded statutory exhibition with five public submissions and six service authority submissions received.

This Department has been liaising with DEPWS on how best to address the environmental concerns raised. The GHAP has been subsequently revised by this Department to include Kowandi, alongside Holtze North and Howard Springs North, as subject to future planning.

The revised GHAP aims to provide flexibility for further detailed planning to protect remnant vegetation habitat within a wildlife corridor(s) as planning and development of the Greater Holtze area progresses.


Future detailed planning will be informed by ongoing environmental studies and engagement between DIPL and DEPWS as to appropriate land use responses, including through the development of a regional conservation biodiversity plan for the broader Darwin region.

DEPWS has advised it is satisfied with this approach to addressing the environmental concerns.

Attached for your information is a revised copy of the GHAP, and a summary of the alterations incorporated.

Should you wish to discuss the revised draft Greater Holtze Area Plan please contact John-Paul MacDonagh on 8999 6036 or at john-paul.macdonagh@nt.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Enc. Revised draft Greater Holtze Area Plan

Changes to the Greater Holtze Area Plan