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Department of  
**State Development, Infrastructure,  
Local Government and Planning**

Mr Liam De Lucia  
Coordinator Beaches  
Gold Coast City Council  
ldelucia@goldcoast.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr De Lucia

### **Exemption certificate given**

The State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) received your request for an exemption certificate to be given for the development described below on 22 March 2023.

Under section 46(2) of the *Planning Act 2016*, SARA advises that an exemption certificate is given for the development described below.

### **Applicant details**

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Applicant name: Gold Coast City Council  
Applicant contact details: Mr Liam De Lucia  
ldelucia@goldcoast.qld.gov.au

### **Premises details**

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Street address: Unallocated State land along Kirra Beach  
Real property description: Unallocated State land adjacent to Lot 1 on SP134184 and Lot 250 on WD3358  
Local government area: Gold Coast City Council  
Premises Owner: Department of Resources

### **Development details**

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Development Permit for Operational work for interfering with quarry material on State coastal land above high-water mark.

The works involve excavation of between 100-500 cubic metres of sand from the exposed dune face to lower the elevation of the dune by 1 metre along an approximate 40 metre wide dune cell. The excavated sand will be deposited in the approved stockpiling location illustrated in the approved plans for SDA-018-003674. The works are required to mitigate a safety risk that has developed over time due to the dune height, which is limiting the line of site for the local Surf Life Saving Tower.

As described above in accordance with the following plans/specifications.

Plans/specifications	Prepared by	Date	Reference no.	Version/issue
<b>Aspect of development: Operational work</b>				
North Kirra – Proposed Scope of Works	City of Gold Coast	27 March 2023	Sheet no. 1/1	-
Revegetation Guidelines for North Kirra dune reprofiling	City of Gold Coast	28 March 2023	A87139475	-

#### **Referral agencies**

Not applicable.

#### **Assessable development**

This exemption certificate relates to the following provisions of the Planning Regulation 2017:

- Schedule 10, Part 17, Division 1, Section 28 Assessable development—operational work that is work carried out within a coastal management district.

#### **Human rights consideration**

A consideration of the 23 fundamental human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* has been undertaken as part of this decision. It has been determined that the proposed works are reasonable and justifiable based on the circumstances of the works. Any limitation of human rights is temporary and there are no less restrictive ways to achieve the purpose of the works.

#### **Reasons for giving the exemption certificate**

This exemption certificate is given as the effects of the development would be minor or inconsequential, considering the circumstances under which the development was categorised as assessable development.

#### **When exemption certificate ceases to have effect**

Pursuant to section 46(8) of the *Planning Act 2016*, this exemption certificate has effect for two years.

For further information please contact Poppy Ellis-Southwell, Senior Planning Officer, on (07) 5644 3214, or via email [SEQSouthPlanning@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au](mailto:SEQSouthPlanning@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au) who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



Althena Davidson  
**Regional Director (Northern Region)**

enc Attachment 1 – Plans referred to in the exemption certificate

cc Gold Coast City Council, [mail@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:mail@goldcoast.qld.gov.au)  
Department of Resources, [SLAMlodgement@resources.qld.gov.au](mailto:SLAMlodgement@resources.qld.gov.au)



H.A.T

**SETOUT POINTS TABLE**

Point	Easting	Northing	Remarks
1	551209.4992	6884472.6495	SAND REPROFILING AND REVEGETATION BOUNDARY OF PROPOSED WORKS
2	551189.7328	6884442.9467	SAND REPROFILING AND REVEGETATION BOUNDARY OF PROPOSED WORKS
3	551156.6520	6884461.6879	SAND REPROFILING AND REVEGETATION BOUNDARY OF PROPOSED WORKS
4	551174.8082	6884489.0443	SAND REPROFILING AND REVEGETATION BOUNDARY OF PROPOSED WORKS

VEGETATION OUTSIDE OF PROPOSED WORKS TO REMAIN UNDISTURBED

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1

3

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205SP100670

161SP100670

Pacific Parade

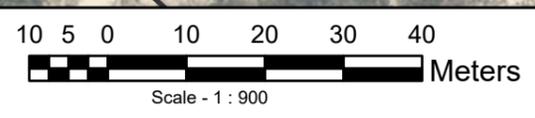
Lang Street

**NORTH KIRRA - PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORKS**

SAND REPROFILING AND REVEGETATION AREA FOR CONSIDERATION

**NOTES**

1. ALL DATA PROJECTED TO GDA 1994 MGA ZONE 56.
2. H.A.T DERIVED FROM QUEENSLAND SPATIAL CATALOGUE - © STATE OF QUEENSLAND (DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES) 2023.
3. BASEMAP IS FROM 2021 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND MAY NOT SHOW CURRENT CONDITIONS.
4. SAND REPROFILING IS PROPOSED IN THE IDENTIFIED AREA OF WORKS ONLY. EXCESS SAND TO BE DEPOSITED TO ADJACENT APPROVED SAND STOCKPILE AREA.
5. DUNES TO BE REVEGETATED ON COMPLETION OF REPROFILING WORKS.



**LEGEND**

- HIGHEST ASTRONOMICAL TIDE (H.A.T)
- NORTH KIRRA - PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORKS

SHEET NO.

1/1

	Transport and Infrastructure	PREPARED BY	BEAU JAVERNIG
	City Assets	DATE PREPARED	27.03.2023
	Stormwater, Beaches and Waterways	APPROVED BY	LIAM DE LUCIA
		DATE APPROVED	28.03.2023

<b>Location:</b> North Kirra Surf Life Saving Club, Pacific Parade, Bilinga.	<b>Date:</b> 28 March 2023
<b>Vegetation community:</b> Regional Ecosystem: 12.2.14 - Foredune Complex. (Class: Least Concern under the <i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i> ).	
<p><b>Site details</b></p> <p>The aim of the revegetation work is to improve dune stability and increase species richness within the dune cell directly adjacent to the North Kirra Surf Life Saving Club</p> <p>Currently the vegetation coverage within the dune area is very sparse and this has allowed windblown sand to build-up towards the rear of the dune.</p> <p>The existing vegetation consists mainly of Spinifex (<i>Spinifex sericeus</i>) and Goat's Foot (<i>Ipomoea pes-caprae</i>) with exotic species such as Canadian fleabane (<i>Conyza canadensis</i>). Three (3) juvenile Coastal Banksia (<i>Banksia integrifolia</i>) were present within the area of works.</p> <p><b>Revegetation notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area of work approximately 1300 m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Planting density 0.7 metre spacing (2.0 plants per square metre).</li> <li>• Plants to be tubestock sourced from within South-East Queensland as per species list below.</li> <li>• Replacement Coastal Banksia will be planted in the adjacent northern dune.</li> <li>• Three (3) month establishment period with 90% survival rate.</li> <li>• Monitoring and maintenance will be ongoing as part of city-wide dune management program.</li> </ul>	<p><b>General notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vegetation impacts will be restricted to the defined area of works as shown in the map attached.</li> <li>• The existing foredune vegetation seaward of the area of works will remain undisturbed.</li> <li>• Machinery access will be via the existing vehicle access way adjacent to the area of works.</li> <li>• The existing dune fencing on the north, west and southern boundaries of the area of works will be retained.</li> <li>• The reprofiling works will reduce the maximum height of the dune to the height of the rear (western boundary) dune fence (approximately 1 metre) and profiled to create a gentle slope and swale in the mid dune; in keeping with the dunes to the north and south of the project area.</li> <li>• Prior to the reprofiling, the top 300mm of sand and vegetative material will be set aside (within the defined area of works) and redistributed over the reprofiled area to conserve nutrients and improve vegetation re-establishment.</li> <li>• Following the completion of the reprofiling, an additional dune fence will be installed on the eastern boundary of the area of works to control windblown sand and protect the revegetation from pedestrian impacts.</li> </ul>

### Revegetation species list

	REVEGETATION AREA:		1300 m2
Botanical name	Common name	Percentage	Qty
<i>Banksia integrifolia</i>	Coastal banksia		3
<i>Carpobrotus glaucescens</i>	Coastal pigface	17	400
<i>Crinum pedunculatum</i>	River lily	1	20
<i>Hibbertia scandens</i>	Snake vine	5	120
<i>Ipomoea pes-caprae</i>	Goat's foot	30	700
<i>Vigna marina</i>	Yellow beach bean	17	400
<i>Spinifex sericeus</i>	Spinifex	30	700
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>2,343</b>



**North Kirra dune reprofiling and revegetation works**