Victorian Desalination Project
Incorporated Document

Incorporated document pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987

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1 Introduction

This document is an incorporated document in the Bass Coast, Cardinia and Casey Planning Schemes pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

The land identified in this document may be used or developed in accordance with the control in this document.

The control in this document prevails over any contrary or inconsistent provision in the Bass Coast, Cardinia or Casey Planning Schemes.

2 Purpose

The purpose of the control in this document is to allow the use and development of land for the purposes of the Victorian Desalination Project which includes but is not limited to:

- A desalination plant and marine structures near Wonthaggi.
- A water transfer pipeline from the desalination plant to Melbourne’s water supply network and an associated booster pump station and its power supply.
- An underground power supply from the existing electricity grid to the desalination plant and, if required, associated electricity converter stations.
- Associated infrastructure.

3 Land

The control in this document applies to the following land shown on plans attached to this document:

- The desalination plant site shown hatched on Plan A, including:
  - Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 501595W.
  - Lot 2 on Plan of Subdivision 501595W.
  - Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 538458A.
  - Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 201963G.
  - Lot 2 on Plan of Subdivision 201963G.
  - Crown Allotment 23A Parish of Wonthaggi.
  - Roads within the hatched area.
- The land shown hatched on Plan B.
- The land within the corridors shown hatched on Plan C.

This land together is known as the Victorian Desalination Project Land.
4 Control

Despite any provision to the contrary or any inconsistent provision in the Bass Coast, Cardinia or Casey Planning Schemes, no planning permit is required for, and nothing in those Planning Schemes operates to prohibit or restrict:

- Use or development of the desalination plant site shown hatched on Plan A for:
  - The desalination of saltwater.
  - Associated electricity and water infrastructure, car parking, storage, administration, amenities, education, research and development, analysis and testing.
  - A caretaker’s house.
- Use or development of the land shown hatched on Plan B for:
  - Drawing saltwater from Bass Strait to the desalination plant site.
  - Discharging saline concentrate and other by-products from the desalination plant site to Bass Strait.
- Use or development of the land within the corridor shown hatched on Plan C from near Soldiers Road, Berwick to the desalination plant site for transferring water, including a booster pump station and its power supply.
- Use or development of the land within the corridor shown hatched on Plan C from the Cranbourne Terminal Station to the desalination plant site for the underground transmission of electricity, including above-ground connections and electricity converter stations if required.
- Activities ancillary to any of the above-mentioned matters, including but not limited to:
  - Creating and using lay down areas for construction purposes.
  - Displaying construction and business identification signs.
  - Removing, destroying and lopping trees and removing vegetation.
  - Demolishing structures.
  - Altering watercourses.
  - Constructing fences.
  - Constructing or carrying out works to create roads, car parking areas, bunds, mounds, landscaping and wetlands, excavate land, salvage artefacts and alter drainage and utilities.
  - Creating or altering access to a road in a Road Zone.
  - Constructing and using temporary site workshops and storage, administration and amenities buildings.

This control is subject to the condition in clause 5 of this document.
This control does not apply to the use or development of the Victorian Desalination Project Land for accommodation (other than a caretaker’s house on the desalination plant site).

5 Condition

The use or development and the ancillary activities specified in clause 4 of this document must be for the Victorian Desalination Project as authorised by the State under an agreement between the State and the entity appointed to undertake the Victorian Desalination Project.

6 Expiry

The control in this document expires if any of the following circumstances applies:

- The development allowed by the control is not started by 31 December 2012.
- The development allowed by the control is not completed by 31 December 2014.
- The use allowed by the control is not started by 31 December 2014.

The responsible authority may extend these periods if a request is made in writing before the expiry date or within three months afterwards.