

Authorisation and Notice of Conditions – Newcastle 500 Civil Works

Topic	To issue an Authorisation and Notice of Conditions to permit the Civil Works required preparing the area for the Newcastle 500 Street Circuit, in Newcastle East and surrounds.
Analysis	V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd, t/a Supercars Australia (SA) is the <i>race promoter</i> as defined under section 13 of the <i>Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Act 2008</i> (the Act) and Ministerial Order dated 7 March 2017. Under Section 17 of the Act, the race promoter may apply to Destination NSW for authorisation to carry out works associated with the conduct of the Event.

Recommendations

- 1 Sign the Authorisation and Notice of Conditions for the Newcastle 500 Civil Works covering a Works Period of 23 May 2017 to 31 December 2017.

Key reasons

The Grand Finale of the 2017 Virgin Australia Supercars Championship, the Coates Hire Newcastle 500 will be held at Newcastle East from 24 to 26 November 2017.

V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd, t/a Supercars Australia (SA) is the *race promoter* as defined under section 13 of the *Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Act 2008* (the Act) and Ministerial Order dated 17 March 2017.

Under Section 17 of the Act, the race promoter may apply to Destination NSW for authorisation to carry out works associated with the conduct of the Event.

On 20 March 2017, SA submitted to Destination NSW an application to carry out associated works required to prepare the area for the inaugural event.

The Authorisation and Notice of Conditions (attachment A) has been prepared in consultation with key stakeholders. Due to the length of the Works Period and extent of the Works Area, this authorisation may be revised from time to time throughout the course of the Works Period and will be reissued as a revision.

Section 13 of the Act allows conditions to be amended or revoked at any stage by written notice to the race promoter.

Review Panel

A Newcastle 500 Civil Works Application Review Panel (the Panel) was established by Destination NSW (attachment B) to review the application and identify conditions of authorisation to be placed on the Race Promoter with respect to the carrying out of the works.


The Review Panel consisted of representatives from:

- Destination NSW
- Newcastle City Council
- Transport for NSW/RMS
- GHD Pty Ltd (independent Civil Engineering Consultant)
- Elton Consulting Group (independent Planning Consultant)

Each of the Panel members has reviewed the application and subsequent amendments or additions and prepared commentary supplied to Destination NSW for consideration (attachments C-F).

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Draft conditions were prepared and Panel members were provided an opportunity to review and provide further comment. Comments on the initial authorisation closed on 18 May 2017 and have been integrated into the Final Authorisation and Notice of Conditions where appropriate.

Consultation

Section 18 of the Act states that:

Before granting an authorisation under section 17, Destination NSW must be satisfied that the race promoter has:

- (a) taken all reasonable steps to consult with:
 - i. any person having a right of occupation of land within the works area, and
 - ii. any person occupying land immediately adjacent to the works area, and
 - iii. the Sydney Olympic Park Authority – in relation to a motor race within Sydney Olympic Park, and
 - iiia. Newcastle City Council – in relation to a motor race within the City of Newcastle local government area, and
 - iiib. any other public or local authority prescribed by the regulation for the purposes of this paragraph, and
 - iv. any relevant council, and
 - v. any other person nominate by Destination NSW (by notice in writing to the race promoter) as a person whose business or financial interests might be affected by the works, and
- (b) taken into account any representations made by any person or body referred to in paragraph (a), and
- (c) demonstrated that it will take adequate steps to prevent or minimise any harm to the environment, and disruption of other lawful activities, on land within the works area and land adjacent to the works area.

Supercars Australia has submitted to Destination NSW additional evidence of consultation with relevant stakeholders since the initial Civil Works application was submitted on 20 March 2017 (attachment G). This includes:

- Information sessions with residents and businesses on 27 and 28 March, 4, 21 and 28 April 2017;
- Letterbox drop – mail outs;
- One of one meetings with residents and businesses;
- Attendance at the Major Events Residents Working Group meeting established by Newcastle City Council.


Supercars Australia has advised Destination NSW that one representation has been made with respect to the civil works application, in regards to a dilapidation survey of the individual's home with respect to the event. Supercars Australia has advised that dilapidation surveys prior to the commencement of works have been offered to properties listed on both the State and/or Local Heritage Registers. The individual's property is not recognised on either of these registers and is therefore not eligible for such an inspection.

Detailed consultation with NSW Government agencies has been undertaken since October 2016 and is ongoing through a series of working groups established under a governance structure (attachment H). The working groups will continue to meet throughout the course of the Works Period to address any issues which may arise as a result of the Works.

Section 4 of the Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Regulation 2017 states that:

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The following bodies are prescribed for the purposes of sections 17 (5) (c) and 18 (a) (iiib) of the Act:

- (a) Transport for NSW,
- (b) Roads and Maritime Services

This consultation requirement has been addressed by the inclusion of the Transport for NSW General Coordinator/RMS Regional Manager on the Panel.

Background


The amendments to the *Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Act 2008* came into effect on 22 February 2017 to facilitate the annual conduct of a motor race at Newcastle and for other purposes.

The functions of Destination NSW under the Act include:

- such functions relating to the preparation for, the management and conduct of, and the associated works with, a motor race as are conferred on it by or under this or any other Act;
- to liaise with the New South Wales Government, the race promoter and any other persons Destination NSW considers relevant to the preparation for, the management and conduct of, and the works associated with, a motor race;
- to consult with relevant government agencies on matters relating to a motor race; and
- to advise the Minister in relation to the Minister's functions under this Act and in relation to any other matter relating to a motor race.

Orders declaring the race promoter were signed by the Minister for Tourism and Major Events on 7 March 2017 and published in the NSW Government Gazette on 17 March 2017.

Approvals

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Attachments

Attachment	Title
A	Authorisation and Notice of Conditions – 1/2017
B	Newcastle 500 Civil Works Application Review Panel Structure
C	Letter from Newcastle City Council to Sandra Chipchase dated 1 May 2017
D	Civil Works Application Comments – Roads and Maritime Services
E	GHD Newcastle 500 Supercars Civil Works Package – May 2017
F	Elton Consulting Newcastle 500 Civil Works Application Review – Independent Planning Advisory Report – 8 May 2017
G	Supercars Australia – Consultation Report
H	Newcastle 500 – Governance Structure as at 29.03.17

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