



WOLFPEAK

Environmental Planning and Assessment

At WolfPeak we pride ourselves on our strong environmental planning, assessment and approvals capability. We have significant experience in scoping and managing Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), and in preparing other types of environmental assessments (e.g Reviews of Environmental Factors, Statements of Environmental Effects, Consistency Assessments) for a range of developments and infrastructure projects in coastal zones, regional and urban areas.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT STATEMENT



Some of the environmental assessment and approval services we provide include:

- Assessing environmental constraints, legislative triggers and planning pathways for different design and route options
- Preparing Statements of Environmental Effects (SEE) to accompany development applications under Part 4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act)
- Preparing Reviews of Environmental Factors (REFs) under Division 5.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act)
- Providing Planning Assessment services (Part 4) to Local Government where external / independent assessment is needed
- Scoping, project managing and reviewing the preparation of EISs for SSI or SSD projects
- Preparing Consistency Assessments for SSI projects
- Consultation with key project stakeholders and regulatory authorities to optimise conditions of approval to help facilitate project delivery outcomes
- Obtaining approvals, permits and authorisations from regulatory authorities (eg. Environment Protection Licences under the NSW Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997)
- Preparing Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMP) and Operation Environmental Management Plans (OEMP)
- Preparing Biodiversity Development Assessment Reports (BDARs) and other ecological assessments by the in-house team of ecologists
- Management, engagement and coordination of consultants in specialist areas including historic heritage, Aboriginal cultural heritage, bushfire prevention, water quality monitoring, soil and water management, noise and traffic specialists, etc.
- Preparing and managing post-approval compliance documentation (compliance reports, monitoring programs, auditing, etc)



At WolfPeak, our working relationships are based on respect, honesty, responsiveness, and flexibility. We pride ourselves on communicating clearly, so our ideas, advice, and findings lead to tangible business results.

Our team, including Registered Environmental Assessment Practitioners (REAP), can effectively navigate the best path forward to complete an EIS and provide strategic advice for any state significant development (SSD) or state significant infrastructure (SSI). Our knowledge of the NSW and Commonwealth planning systems and regulatory frameworks means we can successfully foster projects from concept to delivery.

WolfPeak's services include the preparation of environmental assessments under State (both Part 4 and 5 of the EP&A Act) and Commonwealth legislation, project management of EISs and the undertaking of specialist studies including ecological assessments by the in-house team of qualified ecologists.

We have strong connections with State and Commonwealth agencies which helps us facilitate and navigate negotiations with these agencies during the planning process to optimise the approval conditions for project delivery and community and environmental outcomes.

Our team are also available for secondment, embedding themselves within project teams, to deliver and manage environmental assessments and planning approvals. We have provided this type of service for the NSW Department of Planning and Environment, local Councils, TransGrid, Transport for NSW, the Australian Rail Track Corporation and civil construction companies such as CPB, Acciona, Ferrovial & Webuild amongst others.

KEY PROJECTS

Macleay Coast Destination

Client: NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service
Contract value: \$180,000

WolfPeak have completed a raft of varied projects for NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service ranging from new walking trails, landslip remediation, fire trail upgrades, bridge replacements and migratory bird habitat restorations. The Macleay Coast Destination Project is another interesting challenge in one of the coasts most picturesque locations. WolfPeak have been engaged to undertake 5 separate Review of Environmental Factors as part of the project, which include specialist surveys, consultation and reporting due to the high heritage and biodiversity values of the area.

Flood Recovery Works Package

Client: Port Macquarie Hastings Council
Contract value: \$95,000

Following on from the 2019/20 fires and 2021/22 floods WolfPeak have been engaged by numerous Councils and other public authorities to undertake planning assessments on all manner of recovery works.

The Flood Recovery Works Package involved 7 Review of Environmental Factors including separate ecological and heritage assessments for over 20 landslips across the LGA. Close consultation with the project manager has enabled efficient seamless delivery of these projects.

Djirba Waaruga Cultural Camp

Client: Department of Regional NSW
Contract value: \$25,000

Djirba Waaruga in partnership with Forest Corp are establishing a Cultural Camp close to Nowra. The camp will include a Boonarn Circle, yarning circle, several separated camp areas, amenities and shelters. WolfPeak was engaged to undertake the necessary environmental assessments for this project as well as the Landscape Masterplan.

The Bundian Way – Node 1

Client: Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council
Project value: \$7 Million

WolfPeak is currently preparing a suite of REFs with associated technical reports for the establishment of a 36km walking trail stretching from Jigamy Farm on Pambula Lake to Fisheries Beach on the far south coast of NSW. The walking trail passes through NPWS estate including Beowa National Park and the Davidson Whaling Station Historic Site, as well as Crown and Council managed estate.



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M5 Georges River Bridge Refurbishment

Client: Transurban
Contract value: \$60,000

One of the projects WolfPeak has completed for Transurban is the refurbishment of the Georges River, Mackenzie and Fairford bridges on the M5 Motorway. WolfPeak provided Transurban with planning advice prior to contractor engagement and then planning and ecological assessments for the refurbishment of the bridges. The works covered included bearing replacements, spot repairs, pressure cleaning and top coating of the bridges.

Landslip Remediation Works

Client: MidCoast Council
Project value: >\$5 million

WolfPeak has prepared over 20 environmental assessments for remediation works of landslips occurring on multiple roads across the Mid-Coast LGA. The sites sustained significant damage as a result of severe wet weather and flooding in March 2021 and required environmental assessments for both short-term remediation works and long-term rectification and stabilisation. The assessments were undertaken over a 12-month period during 2021-2022. All of the REFs were delivered in an efficient and timely manner and to a high standard. A testament to this is that MCC started with around 15 slips for the team to work on and continued to add more slips to the list.

Flying Fox Camp Management Plan – Appropriate Land Use Planning

Client: Port Macquarie Council
Contract value: \$25,000

WolfPeak has been engaged to provide expert Planning and Ecological inputs for the management of land use conflicts between Kooloonbung Creek Flying Fox Camp (and other potential Flying Fox Camps) in proximity to sensitive land uses such as residential, educational establishments, or health services facilities in the Port Macquarie Hastings LGA.

