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On 25 November 2019 the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* came into effect in the Camden LGA. From this date development applications and applications to modify a development consent are subject to new biodiversity assessment requirements.

What is the Biodiversity Offsets Scheme (BOS)?

The BOS is a scientifically based approach to biodiversity assessment for threatened species and ecological communities. The BOS includes offsetting requirements for developments that are likely to have a significant impact on biodiversity.

What about Land that is Biodiversity Certified?

The BOS does not apply to land that is subject to biodiversity certification including many parts of the South West Growth Area, Gledswood Hills and the Emerald Hills developer estate.

How do I know if the BOS Applies to my Development?

There are three tests that can trigger the requirement for a development to be assessed via the BOS within the Camden LGA:

1. The development will exceed the native vegetation clearing thresholds.

Use the Biodiversity Values Map and Threshold Tool to map the extent of clearing and determine if the clearing thresholds are exceeded. The map and tool are available at:

https://www.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/Maps/index.html?viewer=BOSETMap

2. The development is located on land or will impact upon land with high biodiversity values.

Use the Biodiversity Values Map and Threshold Tool to determine if land is mapped as having high biodiversity values. The map and tool are available at:

https://www.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/Maps/index.html?viewer=BOSETMap

3. The development will significantly impact threatened species, ecological communities or their habitats.

A test of signficance must be completed to determine if the development is likely to have signficiant impacts. The test requirements are outlined in the publication 'Threatened Species Test of Significance Guidelines' and are available at:

https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/-/media/OEH/Corporate-Site/Documents/Animals-and-plants/Threatened-species/threatened-species-test-significance-guidelines-170634.pdf

















What information do I need to submit to determine if the BOS applies?

It is your responsibility to determine if the BOS applies to the development. Evidence to support a claim that the BOS does not apply must include a Biodiversity Offset Scheme Entry Threshold Map and Report generated using the Biodiversity Values Map and Threshold Tool (available at https://www.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/Maps/index.html?viewer=BOSETMap). Clear information on the location and extent of all native vegetation clearing associated with the development must also be provided.

Council may also require a test of significance prepared in accordance with point 3 on the previous page, dependent on the location, scale and other aspects of the development.

What happens if the BOS does not apply?

If the BOS does not apply Council will continue to assess the development against the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. This may still require the achievement of certain environmental and biodiversity outcomes.

What happens if the BOS applies?

If the BOS applies you must engage an accredited assessor to prepare a biodiversity development assessment report (BDAR) and submit it with your application. The NSW Government maintains a public register of accredited assessors which is available at:

https://customer.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/assessment/AccreditedAssessor

The BDAR will demonstrate what steps have been applied to avoid/minimnise impacts on biodiversity and the type and number of ecosystem and species credits that are required to offset the development's biodiversity impacts.

Where can I find more information?

The NSW Office of Local Government has developed a navigator to assist you to determine which assessment and approval pathway applies to the development. The navigator is available at:

https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/biodiversity-assessment-and-approvals-navigator

For further information contact Council on 13 22 63.















English

If you need help understanding this information, please call the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to call Camden Council on 13 22 63 on your behalf.

Chinese (Simplified) | 简体中文

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Chinese (Traditional) | 繁體中文

如果您需要幫助理解本資料内容,可首先致電 131 450, 聯絡翻譯和傳譯服務(TIS),然後要求為您轉接 13 22 63 聯絡 Camden 市議會政府。

العربية | Arabic

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Spanish | Español

Si necesita ayuda para comprender esta información llame al Servicio de Traducción e Interpretación (TIS) al 131 450 y pida que llamen a la Municipalidad de Camden al 13 22 63 en su nombre.

Vietnamese | Tiếng Việt

Nếu cần người trợ gⁱúp mình hiểu thông tin này, xin quý vị gọi cho Dịch vụ Thông phiên dịch (TIS) qua số 131 450 và yêu cầu họ gọi cho Hội đồng Thành phố Camden số 13 22 63 giùm quý vị.

Punjabi | ਪੰਜਾਬੀ

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Italian | Italiano

Se ti serve aiuto per capire queste informazioni, telefona al Servizio traduzioni e interpreti (TIS) al numero 131 450 e chiedi di chiamare per tuo conto il Comune di Camden al numero 13 22 63.

Assyrian | كُمُوَدُّنُكُ ا

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Nepali | नेपाली

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Serbian | Српски

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Hindi | हिन्दी

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Croatian | Hrvatski

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Greek | Ελληνικά

Εάν χρειάζεστε βοήθεια για να καταλάβετε αυτές τις πληροφορίες, τηλεφωνήστε στην Υπηρεσία Μετάφρασης και Διερμηνείας (TIS) στο 131 450 και ζητήστε τους να καλέσουν τον Δήμο Camden στον αριθμό 13 22 63 για λογαριασμό σας.

Maltese | Malti

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Filipino

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German | Deutsch

Wenn Sie zum Verständnis dieser Informationen Hilfe benötigen, wenden Sie sich bitte an den Übersetzungs- und Dolmetscherdienst (TIS) unter 131 450 und bitten Sie diesen, die Stadtverwaltung Camden unter der Nummer 13 22 63 für Sie anzurufen.







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