



SARA reference: 2404-39984 SRA
 Applicant reference: R1-24
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30 April 2024

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Attention: Ramon Samanes

Dear Sir/Madam

SARA information request - Sir Ken Morris Drive, Cooktown

(Given under section 12 of the Development Assessment Rules)

This notice has been issued because the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) has identified that information necessary to assess your application against the relevant provisions of the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP) has not been provided.

Tree height data	
1.	<p>Issue: As provided by the Planning Regulation 2017, native vegetation clearing that is necessary for essential management of firebreak and safety buffer areas is calculated by applying a 20m buffer or 1.5 times the height of the tallest vegetation adjacent to the infrastructure, whichever is the greater.</p> <p>Tree height data for vegetation adjacent to the proposed building envelopes is required to accurately determine the vegetation clearing that could occur as a result of the proposed building envelopes for the purposes of firebreak and safety buffers. Such data has not been provided with the application material.</p> <p>Action: Submit tree height data for vegetation adjacent to the proposed building envelopes so that vegetation clearing for future firebreak and safety buffers can be accurately determined.</p> <p>The tree height data should include photographs of the full extent (base of trunk to highest point) of the tallest vegetation adjacent to the building envelopes. Photographs should show a survey staff or object of known height in relation to the measured tree and be accompanied by a record of its GPS location. Additional information on submitting tree</p>

	<p>height data can be found within the <u>Guide to State Development Assessment Provisions - State code 16: Native vegetation clearing</u>.</p> <p>In the absence of accurate tree height data, regional ecosystem (RE) data may be used to determine the amount of vegetation clearing resulting from the development for firebreak and safety buffers.</p> <p><i>Plans are required to be submitted in an ESRI compatible format (e.g. shapefile, geodatabase or KML).</i></p>
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How to respond

You have three months to respond to this request and the due date to SARA is **30 July 2024**. You may respond by providing either: (a) all of the information requested; (b) part of the information requested; or (c) a notice that none of the information will be provided. Further guidance on responding to an information request is provided in section 13 of the Development Assessment Rules (DA Rules).

It is recommended that you provide all the information requested above. If you decide not to provide all the information requested, your application will be assessed and decided based on the information provided to date.

You are requested to upload your response and complete the relevant tasks in MyDAS2.

As SARA is a referral agency for this application, a copy of this information request will be provided to the assessment manager in accordance with section 12.4 of the DA Rules.

If you require further information or have any questions about the above, please contact Isley Peacey, Senior Planning Officer, on 4037 3202 or via email CairnsSARA@dasilgp.qld.gov.au who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



Leanne Simpson
Principal Planning Officer

cc Cook Shire Council, mail@cook.qld.gov.au

Development details	
Description:	Development permit – Reconfiguring of a lot (1 into 2 lots)
SARA role:	Referral agency
SARA trigger:	Schedule 10, Part 3, Division 4, Table 2, Item 1 (10.3.4.2.1) - Clearing native vegetation
SARA reference:	2404-39984 SRA
Assessment criteria:	SDAP State code 16: Native vegetation clearing