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Ms Jenni Maclean
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Dear Ms Maclean

**REFERRAL UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS ACT 1978
BLAIRGOWRIE SAFE BOAT HARBOUR EXTENSION**

I write in response to the referral submitted by the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron on the need for an Environment Effects Statement (EES), under the *Environment Effects Act 1978*, for the proposed extension to the Blairgowrie Safe Boat Harbour.

I have decided that an EES is not required for this proposal, as described in the referral accepted on 13 August 2010, for the reasons attached.

I have notified the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council and the Minister for Environment and Climate Change, as the relevant decision-makers, of this determination. This correspondence to the decision-makers also advised of my expectation that further detailed assessment of some residual issues would be undertaken as part of the statutory processes under the *Coastal Management Act 1995* and the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, particularly in relation to impacts on coastal processes, car parking and visual amenity.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Trevor Blake, Chief Environment Assessment Officer, on (03) 9637 9623.

Yours sincerely

JUSTIN MADDEN MLC
Minister for Planning

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The Hon Gavin Jennings
Minister for Environment and Climate Change
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Dear Minister

**REFERRAL UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS ACT 1978
BLAIRGOWRIE SAFE BOAT HARBOUR EXTENSION**

The Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron has sought my decision on the need for an Environment Effects Statement (EES), under the *Environment Effects Act 1978*, for a proposed extension to the Blairgowrie Safe Boat Harbour.

I have decided that an EES is not required for this proposal, as described in the referral accepted on 13 August 2010, for the reasons attached.

I note that the project will require consent under the *Coastal Management Act 1995*. I expect that the documentation to support the application for consent to use crown land under the *Coastal Management Act 1995* would contain additional assessment of the impacts to coastal processes. I have written to the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron informing them of this expectation.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Trevor Blake, Chief Environment Assessment Officer, on (03) 9637 9623.

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Cr David Gibb
Mayor
Mornington Peninsula Shire Council
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ROSEBUD VIC 3942

Dear Cr Gibb

**REFERRAL UNDER THE *ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS ACT 1978*
BLAIRGOWRIE SAFE BOAT HARBOUR EXTENSION**

The Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron has sought my decision on the need for an Environment Effects Statement (EES), under the *Environment Effects Act 1978*, for the proposed extension to the Blairgowrie Safe Boat Harbour.

I have decided that an EES is not required for the proposal, as described in the referral accepted on 13 August 2010, for the reasons attached.

I note that the project will require a planning scheme amendment under the *Planning and Environment Act 1978*. I expect that the documentation to support the application would contain additional assessment of the visual amenity and landscape impacts of the proposed extension and that any impacts of increased patronage on car parking and traffic conditions will be addressed within the planning process. I have also written to the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron informing them of my decision and this expectation.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Trevor Blake, Chief Environment Assessment Officer, on (03) 9637 9623.

Yours sincerely

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