



Proposed Rosewood ECO PARK DEVELOPMENT Fact Sheet

About The Development

Rosewood Corporation Holdings Pty Ltd is proposing to develop the Rosewood Eco Park, located on a 15-hectare site on Rosewood Rd, a little over 4km west of the township of Wauchope.

The site is known historically as Maxwell's Quarry and was most recently used as a gravel and blue-metal quarry operated by Hanson, with operations dating back to the 1960's. The mining licence for the operation has been surrendered. The site is currently vacant, with the disused gravel quarry the most notable feature on the site.

The Rosewood Eco Park will involve a three-stage development of the land, to help restore and return the degraded site into revegetated land and to benefit the local community.

Stage 1: Resource Recovery Facility

The stage one of the Rosewood Eco Park will involve the development of a purpose-built building and ancillary infrastructure for the Resource Recovery Facility (RRF).

The RRF will be located on the former quarry premises to provide the Port Macquarie

region with easy access and affordable recycling services. The RRF will receive, sort and process construction and demolition materials into a range of value-added recycled products, such as aggregate, sands, mulch and soils for use in construction and landscaping.

Enclosure of the RRF in a building in accordance with NSW EPA best practice will help minimise and avoid impacts on the nearby community. The RRF will receive up to 200,000 tonnes per year of construction and demolition materials for recycling.

The RRF will be supported with weighbridges, development of sealed internal roads, offices, parking, storage bays for recycled products and measures for detention, treatment and beneficial reuse of stormwater.

A solar array will be installed above the RRF building to supply the site with green electricity to support the needs of the site. Some earthworks will be required to construct the building on a level platform.

Stage 2: Remediation and Revegetation of the Legacy Quarry Void

Stage two of the Rosewood Eco Park will involve the remediation of the legacy quarry void. The void is partly filled with water, so de-

watering, treatment and recycling of the water for on and off-site uses will be necessary.

The quarry void will then be lined, and progressively filled with soils from the recycling process from the RRF, including excavated natural soil from building projects across the region.

The quarry void will be progressively filled to return the site to near natural ground level. The quarry will then be capped and revegetated with local endemic bushland species suitable for koala habitat and native fauna.

Stage 3: Koala Feed Tree Plantation and Potential Captive Breeding Programs

This stage of the Rosewood Eco Park will involve the establishment of captive breeding sites for native species and a koala feed tree plantation to the east and west of the site. This will be done in partnership with Billabong Zoo, Koala and Wildlife Park. Work on developing a captive breeding site may commence as early as Stage 2.

Once the quarry void has been remediated, this area will be planted with native trees suitable as koala feed. These feed trees will further support Billabong Zoo's captive koala breeding program. The RRF will continue in operation at the Rosewood Eco Park following completion of Stage 3, to continue to serve the recycling needs of the Port Macquarie region.

Project Planning and Approval

The Proposal is permitted with consent under Clause 2.152(a) of State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 (the SEPP).

The project is considered a State Significant Development under Clause 23(3) of Schedule 1 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021. The consent authority for the development will be the Independent Planning Commission under delegation from the NSW Minister of Planning.

The facility will also require a licence from the NSW EPA under Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. To commence the planning process, Jackson Environment and Planning Pty Ltd is preparing a scoping report to obtain the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. The SEARs will inform the preparation of a full Environmental Impact Statement, a requirement under Section 5.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Early community engagement is currently underway to seek the views of the local community to help inform the rehabilitation of the site.



How Can I Provide Feedback?

You can provide your feedback about our proposed development by contacting Jackson Environment and Planning Pty Ltd



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We greatly appreciate your feedback on this project which will benefit both the environment and the local community.

