



Mr Tom Anderson
Deputy Chair
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Tom

Dear Mr Anderson

Thank you for your letter of 11 March seeking information relating to a "buffer zone" between Dixon Drive, Waramanga Drive and Cotter Road. I apologise for the belated response.

As you are aware, the zone was landscaped following the devastating 2003 bushfires, with the ACT Government planting and then maintaining the trees.

Unfortunately, several years later, most of the trees died and despite some plantings since then, the Government is now well aware of the need to restore the area.

This will start after construction of the new alignment of Cotter Road, which is expected to be completed in September 2011.

The Department of Territory and Municipal Services, which is responsible for the road construction and plantings, already has a landscaping plan to implement for the area along the realigned road – which includes the planting of trees.

However, the Department has also advised that it will integrate further plantings more broadly along Cotter Road to build up the buffer zone, using insurance monies provided as a consequence of the 2003 bushfires.

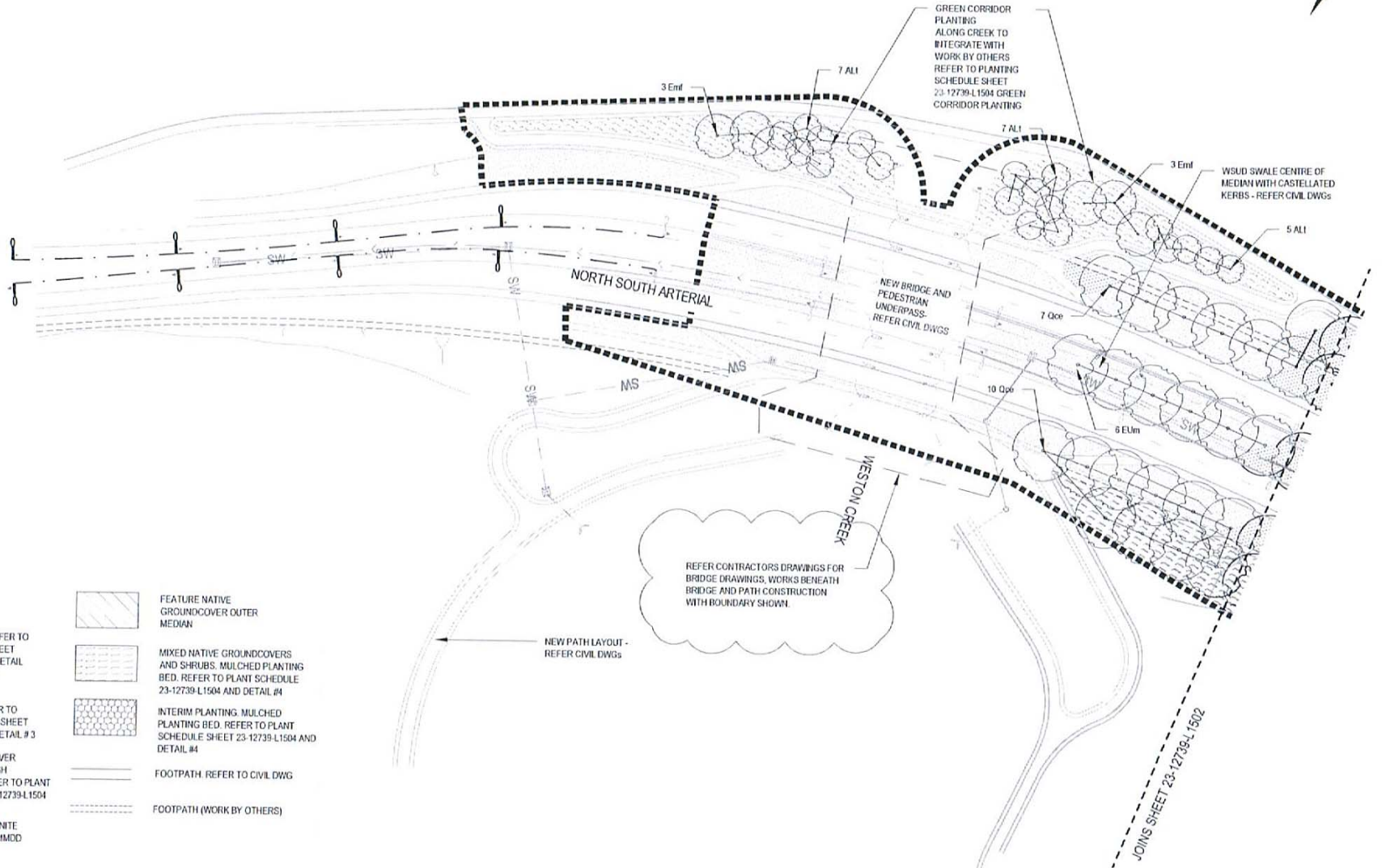
It is expected that a range of species will be planted from Autumn of next year (as you will appreciate, the tree planting must occur in optimum weather conditions).

I have attached landscaping maps provided by Roads ACT which list some of the species to be planted, including exotic trees like oriental plane, oaks and elms and native trees like eucalypts and casuarina.

Yours sincerely


George Tomlins
Deputy Chief Executive

31 March 2011



LEGEND:

- EXTENT OF WORKS
- PROPOSED TREE. REFER TO PLANT SCHEDULE SHEET 23-12739-L1504 AND DETAIL SHEET 23-12739-L1507 DETAIL #1 AND #2
- NATIVE GRASS. REFER TO PLANTING SCHEDULE SHEET 23-12739-L1504 AND DETAIL #3
- FEATURE GROUNDCOVER LESS THAN 200MM HIGH INTERSECTIONS. REFER TO PLANT SCHEDULE SHEET 23-12739-L1504 AND DETAIL #4
- 100mm CRUSHED GRANITE COMPACTED TO 95% NMDD
- FEATURE NATIVE GROUNDCOVER OUTER MEDIAN
- MIXED NATIVE GROUNDCOVERS AND SHRUBS. MULCHED PLANTING BED. REFER TO PLANT SCHEDULE 23-12739-L1504 AND DETAIL #4
- INTERIM PLANTING. MULCHED PLANTING BED. REFER TO PLANT SCHEDULE SHEET 23-12739-L1504 AND DETAIL #4
- FOOTPATH. REFER TO CIVIL DWG
- FOOTPATH (WORK BY OTHERS)

3	BRIDGE LAYOUT UPDATED	MPQ	ML*	GV*	24.08.10
2	ISSUED FOR CONSTRUCTION - QUANTITIES AMENDED	ED	NC*	GV*	19.02.10
1	LANDSCAPING AMENDMENTS	SOK	GG*	GV*	02.11.09
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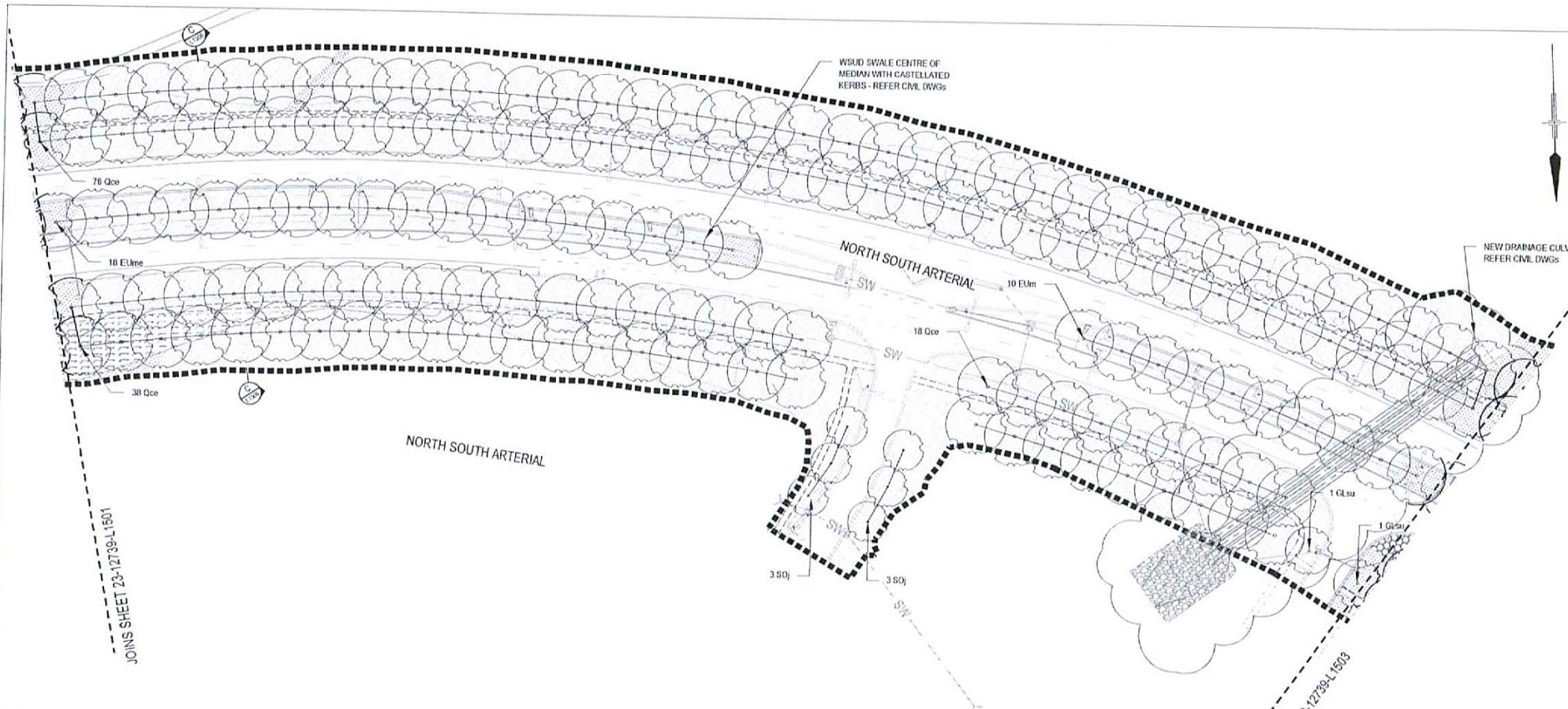


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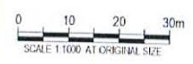
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3	CULVERT LOCATION AND DISSIPATOR AMENDED	MPQ	ML*	GV*	24.00.10
2	ISSUED FOR CONSTRUCTION - QUANTITIES AMENDED	ED	NC*	GV*	19.02.10
1	TREES REMOVED FOR RIGHT TURN SLOT	SOK	GG*	GV*	02.11.06
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