Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project) Order 2018

under the

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

I, the Minister for Planning, in pursuance of sections 5.12 (4) and 5.13 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, make the following Order.

Dated, this 12th day of December 2018.

ANTHONY ROBERTS, MP
Minister for Planning

Explanatory note
The object of this Order is to declare certain development for the purposes of the Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project to be State significant infrastructure and critical State significant infrastructure. The project includes a new hydro power station to expand the existing Shoalhaven Hydro Scheme. This Order is made under sections 5.12 (4) and 5.13 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
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1 Name of Order
This Order is the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project) Order 2018.

2 Commencement
This Order commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.
Schedule 5 Critical State significant infrastructure

Insert at the end of the Schedule, with appropriate clause numbering:

Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project

(1) Development for the purposes of the Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project.

(2) The Shoalhaven Hydro Expansion Project includes the following:
   (a) exploratory geotechnical works for the design of the project,
   (b) a new underground pumped hydro power station,
   (c) tunnels and underground and overground water pipelines,
   (d) surge tanks and intake and outlet structures,
   (e) the decommissioning of the underground pumped hydro power station and rehabilitation of the site.

(3) Development that is ancillary to other development in this clause (including the upgrading or construction of access roads, utilities infrastructure, construction accommodation and construction compounds).

(4) The development is to be carried out on land in the suburbs of Kangaroo Valley, Barrengarry and Fitzroy Falls.

(5) In this clause, development does not include the carrying out of surveys, sampling, environmental investigations, archaeological excavations or other tests or investigations for the assessment of the project.