

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

PROPOSED PUBLIC UTILITY INSTALLATION (LOW VOLTAGE UNDERGROUND CABLE) AND ASSOCIATED EXCAVATION AND FILLING OF LAND AT GOVERNMENT LAND IN D.D. 96, NEAR LOK MA CHAU VILLAGE, SAN TIN

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	Comments from the Director of Environmental Protection	(Contact Person: Mr Chris WONG; Tel: [REDACTED])	Please provide a specific section in the supporting document covering how the potential environmental impacts, particularly on water quality, could be addressed, including:	
1.			The mitigation measures to be implemented during construction phase to handle environmental impacts, in particular water quality impacts covering non-point source and point source pollution (such as runoff and sewage from construction site workers, etc).	Mitigation measures have been elaborated under Section 2.4 of the Planning Statement, covering runoff, erosion and sewage from workers (Annex A refers).
2.			Please state the compliance with relevant regulations, best practices, and guidelines, such as Water Pollution Control Ordinance, Recommended Pollution Control Clauses for Construction Contracts. For Section 2.4, please revise to reflect the updated ProPECC PN 2/24 Construction Site Drainage.	Noted. The section 2.4 of Planning Statement has been updated accordingly (Annex A refers).
3.			Please confirm if the works area would be reinstated and there would not be any discharge and other environmental impacts during operation phase.	Please note that the works area would be reinstated and there would not be any discharge and other environmental impacts during operation phase.
	Comments from the Commissioner for Transport	(Contact Person: Mr Victor MA; Tel: [REDACTED])	Please provide following information:	

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1.			Type of construction vehicle used for the construction works	The Applicant would like to clarify that the 5.5ton truck will be used for the construction works.
2.			How to maintain traffic during the construction works	The Applicant's contractor will adopt good construction traffic management practice including temporary traffic control measures (i.e. "STOP and GO" and Temporary Traffic Signals) during construction phase. The contractor will also ensure all the construction vehicles use designated on-site loading/unloading areas to avoid interfering with road traffic. The Applicant is committed to liaise with the surrounding landowners to minimise the construction impacts during construction phase.
	Comments from the District Planning Officer/Fanling, Sheung Shui and Yuen Long East, Planning Department	(Contact Person: Ms Karen CHAN; Tel: [REDACTED])	Please clarify the following:	
1.			whether the fish farm will be operated as ponds or fish rearing facilities;	Please note that the fish farm will be operated in existing fish ponds.
2.			noting that the fish farm production is for self-consumption, please provide more details on the proposed	The Applicant understands from the operator that the fish farm production will be for self-consumption and the fish

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			fish farm, e.g. types and number of fish and justify the purpose of the fish farm;	<p>farm operator estimated that the fish farm may rear up to 3,000 edible fishes at its full capacity.</p> <p>The fish farm operator will consider to offer the fish for sale in later stage.</p>
3.			please provide more details on the amount of electricity required for the operation of a fish farm and explain why water pumps and pond pumps would require a new cable laying;	<p>The Applicant has received an Electricity Application from the fish farm operator demanding for a single phase 60A power supply. Please note that the 60A power supply cable is a normal and basic power supply for domestic uses, which would be equivalent to 13.2kW. The fish farm is anticipated to have at least 3 pond/ water pumps (2kW each) and other ancillary equipment/facilities during the fish farm operation. The fish farm operator is opined that the amount of electricity required for the operation of a fish farm is suffice.</p> <p>In consideration of the reliability of supply network, the proposed cable underlying the vehicular access road will be the most suitable network option.</p>
4.			please elaborate why other electricity sources, e.g. mobile generator, could not be used for water pumps and pond pumps;	The proposed fish farm operator has considered alternative/other electricity sources e.g. mobile generator. Mobile generator however would cause the continuous generation of noise and air pollutants as well as potential wastewater leakage. This will have

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				adverse disturbance to nearby residential uses and habitats. Given the long-term cost and environmental consideration of mobile generator, the proposed fish farm operator opined that the other electricity sources would not be able to meet with the scale of the fish farm operation. Thus, the proposed cable underlying will the most suitable network option with no adverse impact to the environment.
5.			D.D. 96 Lots 2053 and 2054 only covers half of the existing pond. Please clarify the exact location and area of the proposed fish farm;	<p>Noted. The Fish Farm Operator will fully utilise the Lot Nos. 2053 and 2054 in D.D. 96. The fish farm operator will set up the perimeter netting to delineate the lot boundary of Lots 2053 and 2054.</p> <p>The Fish Farm Operator will closely liaise with other private landowners on the fish farm operation upon approval of this application.</p>
6.			whether the existing temporary structure to the immediate northeast of the application site is related to the proposed fish farm;	Please note that the temporary structure to the immediate northeast of the application site is not related to the proposed fish farm. Please also note that the construction of the proposed cable underlying and the operation of fish farm will not create nuisance to the surrounding areas including the temporary structures.

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7.			please clarify if there is existing power supply to the proposed fish farm; and	Please note that there is no existing power supply to the proposed fish farm.
8.			whether the applicant's meter box is an existing meter box.	Please note that there is no existing meter box for the Fish Farm Operator.