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Further expansion of the Pre-allocated Plan Numbers (PPN) Program

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The PPN pilot program commenced in May 2007 and was made available to level 2 ePlan users. Initially, issue of PPNs was limited to plans that:

- subdivided Torrens Title land, and
- had a local council development application (DA) lodgment number.

The pilot program was expanded in December 2007 to include plans of consolidation and redefinition (where local councils require them to precede a development), and plans under the *Pipelines Act, 1967*.

Review of the PPN pilot program

An end-of-term review of the PPN pilot program has now been completed. The review has shown that the uptake of PPNs has been strong, and feedback from industry has been positive. There is also a sustained interest from LPI customers in PPNs being made available on a broader basis. As a result of the review, the PPN program will be expanded to include all plan purposes and all Title systems from 11 June 2008.

PPNs for Old System and Crown Land

Where a PPN is to affect either Old System or Crown Land, a plan or sketch of the development must be submitted via the link in the PPN issue advice panel of the application. This is so that LPI can locate and note the development in the Cadastral Records Enquiry (CRE) system.

New mandatory fields in the PPN application

Interest has been shown in the PPN facility by public utilities and planning agencies. To aid in planning, the first lot number and the last lot number in the development have been added as new mandatory fields to the PPN application when the plan purpose is to create a lot or lots. The lot number(s) nominated will be viewed as indicative only: LPI accepts that the number of lots in the development may change before final lodgment of the plan.

Expanded access to PPNs

It is anticipated that access to PPNs will be made available to all registered surveyors listed as Group 1 users in the Survey Services Portal from late June 2008.

Further information

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