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HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS IN NSW

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I am concerned about the revival of so called "zombie DA's.

Proponents are reviving projects that were approved a number of years ago, but not substantively commenced, often in circumstances where environmental an.d regulatory conditions have significantly changed ("Zombie developments").

Under the current planning and environmental laws, there is very limited ability for a consent authority to require an updated environmental impact assessment or to impose better consent conditions which more accurately reflect the current environmental impacts, or to otherwise address Zombie developments.

I ask that more attention is paid to the effects of allowing the DA to go ahead without the more rigorous scrutiny required by today's standards.