### Aquaculture and intensive animal industry code

#### Application

1. This code applies to assessing development for:
   1. aquaculture; or
   2. intensive animal industry.
2. When using this code, reference should be made to Part 5.

#### Purpose

1. The purpose of the Aquaculture and intensive animal industry code is to ensure that:
   1. aquaculture and intensive animal industry is facilitated on suitable sites;
   2. aquaculture, intensive animal industry and associated activities do not adversely affect the amenity of sensitive land uses;
   3. aquaculture and intensive animal industry do not have adverse impacts on the environment, including scenic amenity.
2. The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
   1. aquaculture and intensive animal industry facilities are located to avoid or minimise adverse impacts on natural environmental values;
   2. aquaculture and intensive animal industry facilities are sited to minimise adverse impacts on scenic amenity;
   3. aquaculture and intensive animal industry facilities are managed so that significant environmental impacts are contained within the site;
   4. noise, odour, waste and waste water are managed and treated to mitigate impacts on health, amenity and the environment.

#### Criteria for assessment

Part A - Criteria for assessable development

Table 9.3.2.3.a – Aquaculture and intensive animal industry code – assessable development

| Performance outcomes | Acceptable outcomes | Applicant response |
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| **For assessable development** | | |
| **Site requirements** | | |
| **PO1**  The use is located outside areas of environmental significance. | **AO1.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **PO2**  The use is located and designed so as not to detract, or diminish the scenic amenity of the surroundings area, scenic routes, landmarks, lookouts and vistas. | **AO2.1**  Buildings, yards, ponds and associated facilities are not readily visible from urban development or from major roads. |  |
| **AO2.2**  The height, scale and density of buildings are consistent with the maintenance of a rural setting. |  |
| **PO3**  The site has sufficient area to accommodate the aquaculture or intensive animal industry and to provide appropriate setbacks. | **AO3.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **PO4**  The establishment of aquaculture or intensive animal industry does not interfere with coastal processes. | **AO4.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **PO5**  The establishment of aquaculture or intensive animal industry does not result in the alienation of rural land unless there is a lack of alternative sites and an overriding need for the development. | **AO5.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **PO6**  The topography of the site is suitable for the intended use. | **AO6.1**  The area of the site containing the aquaculture or intensive animal industry facility has a slope of less than 1 in 10 (10%). |  |
| **AO6.2**  The area of the site containing the aquaculture or intensive animal industry facility is located above 1% AEP inundation level. |  |
| **PO7**  The site is provided with a high standard of access so that the use may operate effectively and efficiently. | **AO7.1**  Access to the aquaculture or intensive animal industry facility is provided via a Collector or Rural Collector road constructed in accordance with Planning scheme policy – FNQROC Regional Development Manual. |  |
| **PO8**  Development does not adversely affect the amenity of existing or planned urban areas.  Note – Compliance with the outcomes of the Environmental performance code will assist in compliance with this Performance outcome. | **AO8.1**  For Intensive animal industry, the site is not less than:  (a) 2000 metres from the boundary of any land within a Residential zone or Emerging community zone;  (b) 1000 metres from the boundary of any land within a Rural residential zone;  (c) 1000 metres from any use involving accommodation activities, such as a dwelling house or home based business;  (d) 1000 metres from any community facilities where people gather, such as community halls or schools.  Note – Refer to the definition of Residential zones contained in Schedule 1.2 |  |
| **AO8.2**  For Aquaculture, the site is not less than 300 metres from the boundary of any land within a Residential zone, Emerging community zone or Rural residential zone or any community facility where people gather such as community halls or schools.  Note – Refer to the definition of Residential zones contained in Schedule 1.2. |  |
| **Operations** | | |
| **PO9**  Buildings, pens, other structures, ponds and waste disposal areas are sited, constructed and managed so that the maximum number of animals intended to be kept on site can be accommodated without having any significant adverse environmental impacts outside the site. | **AO9.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **Amenity** | | |
| **PO10**  Buildings/structures, ponds and waste disposal areas are designed and sited so that the aquaculture or intensive animal industry facility does not impact on the amenity of the area and does not have significant environmental impacts outside the site. | **AO10.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |
| **Collection, treatment and disposal of waste** | | |
| **PO11**  The collection, treatment and disposal of waste and waste water ensures:  (a) no on-site or off-site soil contamination;  (b) no detrimental impacts on the quality of receiving waters;  (c) no odour impacts on nearby uses. | **AO11.1**  No acceptable outcomes are provided. |  |