Summary

The development assessment mapping system (DAMS) contains Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping layers kept, prepared or sourced by the state that relate to development assessment and matters of interest to the state in assessing development applications.

Not all matters of interest to the state have mapping layers but, for those that do, the purpose of the maps can vary greatly. Two primary purposes for which DAMS can be used include:

1. determining on a cadastral basis whether particular matters of interest to the state are triggered or not
2. depicting SDAP criteria for developments referred to the state.

It is important that each mapping layer is viewed and interpreted in the context of that particular matter of interest. DAMS should be used in conjunction with the Planning Regulation 2017 to determine whether an application requires referral to or assessment by the state.

The mapping also assists applicants to obtain an understanding of what matters of state interest may apply to their site, and in addressing the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP).

What are the changes?

The following changes to DAMS are proposed as part of the concurrent review of the State Planning Policy (SPP), the SDAP and the proposed Planning Regulation, in preparation for the commencement of the Planning Act 2016:

- Addition of a new mapping layer for land adjoining a Queensland heritage place.
- Inclusion of sites determined to have ‘substantial’ potential with regards to unexploded ordnance.
- New and updated transport layers corresponding with regulation changes. These changes to transport mapping layers aim to reduce referrals to the state for development that is low risk or already triggered under another provision.

Further information is available through fact sheets at qld.gov.au/planninginterests.

Why have these changes been made?

These changes reflect amendments to SDAP provisions and to triggers under the Planning Regulation 2017, and will assist applicants in interpreting these documents.

What do the changes mean for you?

This mapping will assist in interpretation of certain SDAP provisions and triggers under the Planning Regulation 2017.

Have your say

You can have your say on the draft Planning Regulation, SPP and SDAP by visiting qld.gov.au/planninginterests and making a submission online.