

Minister for Planning; Culture & the Arts Government of Western Australia

Our Ref:

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Dear Mr Johnson

STATE PLANNING POLICY 5.2: TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE – REQUEST TO CONSIDER EXEMPTIONS FOR AMATEUR RADIO ANTENNAS

Thank you for your email of 9 December 2014 regarding the above-mentioned policy and outlining the concerns of the Northern Corridor Radio Group.

I have forwarded the information you have provided regarding Amateur Radio Operators and their infrastructure needs to the Department of Planning. Your submission will be considered as part of the review of *State Planning Policy 5.2: Telecommunications Infrastructure*.

The Western Australian Planning Commission will consider all submissions and a revised policy will be submitted for my consideration in the coming months.

Your letter also refers to the need for building permits for radio antennas. Building permits are addressed under separate legislation, and the *Building Regulations 2012* exempt certain antennas from requiring a building permit. The Building Commission can be contacted on 1300 489 099 if you require further information on this matter. Please note that some planning schemes may also require a development approval for certain antennas, even if a building permit is not required.

I appreciate you raising this matter with me and trust the above information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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MINISTER FOR PLANNING; CULTURE AND THE ARTS

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