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Applicant reference: AU017394

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Attention: Patrick Clifton

Dear Patrick

## Referral confirmation notice—Daintree River Ferry Upgrades at Cape Tribulation Road, Lower Daintree

(Given under section 8.4 of the Development Assessment Rules)

The development application described below is taken to be properly referred to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) under Part 2: Referral of the Development Assessment Rules.

### Location details

Street address:	Cape Tribulation Road and 362 Cape Tribulation Road, Lower Daintree
Real property description:	Lot 2 on RP865069, Lot 4 on SP126928, Lot 1 on RP804943 and Lot 359 on SP215752
Local government area:	Douglas Shire Council

### Application details

Development Permit	Operational Works (Prescribed Tidal Works, Marine Plant Disturbance, Interfering with Quarry Material above the High-water Mark)
Development Permit	Operational Works (Civil Works for accessways, car parking and spoil disposal area)
Development Permit	Material Change of Use for the undertaking of an Environmentally Relevant Activity (ERA16)

The referral confirmation period ended on 6 November 2025. SARA's assessment will be under the following provisions of the Planning Regulation 2017:

- Schedule 10, Part 5, Division 4, Table 2, Item 1—Environmentally relevant activity

- Schedule 10, Part 6, Division 3, Subdivision 3, Table 1, Item 1—Operational work involving removal, destruction or damage of marine plants
- Schedule 10, Part 17, Division 3, Table 1, Item 1—Operational work that is tidal works or work in a coastal management district
- Schedule 10, Part 17, Division 3, Table 2, Item 1—Operational work that is tidal works or work in a coastal management district in tidal waters.

For further information please contact Poppy Ellis-Southwell, Principal Planning Officer, on (07) 5644 3214 or via email [CairnsSARA@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au](mailto:CairnsSARA@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au) who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



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