

18 May 2011

South Park Lands Stormwater
C/o City of Unley
PO Box 1,
Unley SA 5061

**RE: SOUTH EAST CITY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (SECRA) COMMENTS ON
PROPOSED BROWN HILL KESWICK CREEK STORMWATER PROJECT**

The South East City Residents Association (SECRA) has reviewed the proposals for the Brown Hill Keswick Creek Project and provides the following comments which focus on the works that are proposed to be undertaken in the Adelaide Park Lands.

Victoria Park Wetlands

- SECRA is of the view that these proposed wetlands have the potential to become a popular interpretive attraction for native vegetation and local wildlife however this will be very much dependent upon their design and ongoing maintenance and operation.
- While it is understood that stormwater will be diverted through these wetlands under high flow conditions it is considered that water will also need to be diverted into the wetlands under small flow conditions to ensure that water is maintained within the wetlands.
- Because of the long dry Adelaide summers, unless there is a means of replenishing the water during this period, it is envisaged that the wetlands could dry out completely. Under these circumstances will the small pools of water present a mosquito problem to local residents?
- Attachment 1 shows three areas of trees in the proposed wetlands area. From the plan in the March 2011 Project Update pamphlet it appears that the young trees along the northern bank of the creek (C) will be unaffected by the wetlands however there is a concern that those in areas A & B may be affected.
- There will need to be monitored restricted parking in the proposed car park (6) to ensure that it is not used for all day parking.

Park 20 Inundation

- Attachment 1 shows a row of poplar trees along a waterway (D). While native gum trees can survive short term inundation of water as will occur in Park 20 are poplar trees also able to tolerate such inundation?
- There is a concern that the flood control mound will involve the removal of trees. Is it possible to construct this mound so that it does not involve the removal of trees. Also will this mound be constructed so that it looks as though it is part of the natural landscape?

SECRA would also appreciate the opportunity to comment on the detailed designs for this project once they have been completed.

Kind Regards



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cc Attachment 1

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SECRA SUBMISSION—BROWN HILL KESWICK CREEK STORMWATER PROJECT ATTACHMENT 1



- A - Significant trees
- B - Large area of mainly deciduous trees (some dead)
- C - Recently planted young trees
- D - Row of poplar trees along waterway