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Department of Planning and Environment

Contact: Jenny Mewing  
Our Ref: 18/2020/4/1 - DOC2022/171638  
Your Ref: PP-2022-1725

Via: Planning Portal

Attention: Mr Mark Parker, Principal Planning Officer

Dear Mr Parker

**Planning proposal PP-2022-1725 to amend Cessnock Local Environmental Plan 2011 Gateway Condition Amendment Request**

I refer to the Gateway Determination, dated 2 August 2022, regarding the above Planning Proposal.

An amendment to the Gateway Determination, specifically Condition 2(c), is requested. Condition 2(c) requires commencement of the exhibition of the Planning Proposal by 7 November 2022.

As per Conditions 1(a) and 1(b) of the Gateway Determination, the Planning Proposal has been updated with a Phase 1 preliminary contamination assessment and updated mapping.

The revised proposal was referred through the Planning Portal to authorities/agencies on 5 September 2022 (as per Condition 3). A period of 40 working days, concluding 31 October 2022, was provided to provide responses.

To date, responses from Transport for NSW and the Biodiversity Conservation Division (BCD) have been received. A response from the NSW Rural Fire Service remains pending.

The advice from BCD requires further consideration of potential Serious And Irreversible Impacts (SAII). As this matter requires further investigation, the exhibition of the Planning Proposal is unable to commence on 7 November as initially planned.

It is anticipated that this matter can be resolved, and exhibition can commence in early-mid December 2022. It is acknowledged that the minimum 28 day exhibition period will be required to be extended to account for the period between 20 December and 10 January inclusive.

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If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on telephone 02 4993 4248.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Mewing', written in a cursive style.

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