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Hi Jenny,

Thank you for forwarding additional information Stage 1 Biodiversity Certification Assessment Report (BCAR) (Peak Land Management, April 2022).

A comprehensive review of additional information has not been completed at this stage but would be provided should the application progress to a BCAR.

BCD considers the proposal could proceed however noting that the following matters would need to be considered as part of the planning process:

- previous advice (attached);
- candidate species. It is recommended that the candidate species list provided by Peak Land Management (April 2022) be reviewed, all 'species credit species' known from the local area should be included and where required assessed against the Threatened Biodiversity Data Collection (TBDC);
- SAIL habitat for the regent honeyeater and swift parrot. As per previous advice the determining authority would need to consider proposed impact to SAIL habitat, guidance is provided at <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications-search/guidance-to-assist-a-decision-maker-to-determine-a-serious-and-irreversible-impact-2019>

EPBC listed species and other matters of national significance are also considered under the EPBC Act. Additional information can be found at <https://www.awe.gov.au/environment/epbc> and <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/biodiversity/assessment-bilateral-agreement>.

Best regards,

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