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Ms Monica Gibson Acting Deputy Secretary Planning and Land Use Strategy Department of Planning and Environment 4 Parramatta Square, 12 Darcy Street Parramatta NSW 2150 monica.gibson@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Ms Gibson

Re: Request for advice on the proposed koala corridors for the Gilead Stage 2 and Appin (Part) Precinct State Assessed Planning Proposals and consistency with the Advice on the protection of the Campbelltown Koala population (2020) report.

Thank you for your correspondence of 1 May 2023 in relation to a request for advice on koala corridors in relation to the Gilead Stage 2 and Appin (Part) Precinct Planning Proposals.

The Office of the Chief Scientist & Engineer have provided three pieces of advice to government that are in the Campbelltown and Appin region, all of which are publicly available on our website. This includes:

- Advice on the Protection of the Campbelltown Koala (2020),
- Response to questions to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (2021), and
- Advice regarding the protection of koala populations associated with the Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan (2021).

The Office of the Chief Scientist & Engineer does not comment on the implementation of, or in this case consistency with, its recommendations. If useful, the Office can provide a briefing on the Reports and advice it has provided to government. This may assist you further in the considerations of the koala corridors within these regions.

If you have any further questions or would like to set-up a briefing, please don't hesitate to contact Michael Norris on <u>Michael.Norris@chiefscientist.nsw.gov.au</u> or 0459 222 287.

Yours sincerely,

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