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Richmond Valley Council Locked Bag 10 CASINO NSW 2470

Attn: Cherie Smith council@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

Development Application No 2018/0188 Lots 1 & 8 DP 1216612 – 65 Broadwater Quarry Road, Broadwater Proposed Expansion of Existing Extractive Industry to 490,000 Tonne Per Annum for a Period of Five (5) years.

Thank you for providing the NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) Agriculture the opportunity to comment on the above proposal as per your correspondence dated 5 April 2018.

NSW DPI Agriculture is committed to the protection and growth of agricultural industries, and the land and resources upon which these industries depend. Important issues are the potential impact on limited agricultural resources and the ability to rehabilitate the land to enable continued agricultural investment.

NSW DPI Agriculture has assessed the Environmental Impact Statement and supporting documents and has no comments to make on the proposal. The reasons for NSW DPI Agriculture not making any comments are as follows:

- The location is currently operating as a quarry with a valid approval for production of material at a lower rate.
- The application is to increase the volume of material extracted without increasing the footprint of the operation, but rather to excavate to a lower level.
- NSW DPI Agriculture is satisfied with the proposed rehabilitation proposal and the intended use of the property once rehabilitated.

Should you require clarification on the information contained in this response, please contact Resource Management Officer John Galea (02 9842 8607).

Yours sincerely

Lilian Parker Manager

Agriculture Landuse Planning