

HMS Application ID: 10558

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Proposal: Expanding the operation and activities of the existing Williams Quarry and extract a higher rate of material per annum. The expansion would be undertaken in 10 stages. The extraction methods would involve blasting and mechanical excavation and materials would be crushed on site to be sold to the local market.

Development Application no: DA-30-2025, CNR-82357, A-101822. Received: 6 June 2025.

Subject: General Terms of Approval for Integrated Development Application, *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*

Dear Ms Blackwood

This letter contains our general terms of approval for the above integrated development application that will require an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit pursuant to s.90 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*. We note that:

- Heritage NSW requested further information on 25 June 2025 (HMS 10558).
- A response to the request for information and revised report prepared by Heritage Management & Planning, both dated 14 August 2025 were uploaded to the portal on the same day.

We have reviewed the response and revised Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report, prepared by Heritage Management & Planning dated 14 August 2025. The report has identified that Aboriginal objects known as stone artefact site 21-1-0565 will be partially impacted by the proposed development. Mitigation is proposed in the form of community collection and archaeological salvage excavation under an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit.

Heritage NSW was advised on 19 August 2025 that no public submissions were received during the advertising period for this development application.

Considering the above, and in accordance with Section 4.47 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, the following general terms of approval are granted:

Approved development

1. Development must be in accordance with:
 - a. Williams Quarry Rose Hill Road, Arding, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (Heritage Management & Planning, 14 August 2025).
 - b. 107 Rose Hill Road, Arding (Williams Quarry) Additional Information Request- DA-30-2025/HMS Id:10558 (Heritage Management & Planning, 14 August 2025).
 - c. Environmental Impact Statement Williams Quarry, Arding (GeoLINK Consulting, 12 March 2025).
 - d. 75 Rose Hill Road, Arding NSW 2358 Lot 4 DP 1096564 Williams Quarry Engineering Concept Plans 1 November 2022).

Except as amended by the following general terms of approval:

2. A s.90 Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit for the proposed works must be sought and granted prior to the commencement of works
<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/heritage/apply-for-heritage-approvals-and-permits/aboriginal-objects-and-places>
3. The Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application must be accompanied by appropriate documentation and mapping as outlined in *Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit: Guide for applicants* <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/publications/applying-aboriginal-heritage-impact-permit-guide-applicants>
4. Consultation with the Aboriginal community undertaken as part of the Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application must be in accordance with the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents* <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/publications/aboriginal-cultural-heritage-consultation-requirements-proponents>
5. The Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application must be completed with reference to the requirements of the *Guide to investigating, assessing and reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW* <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/publications/guide-investigating-assessing-and-reporting-aboriginal-cultural-heritage-new-south-wales>
6. The Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application must include complete records satisfying the requirements of the *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/publications/code-practice-archaeological-investigation-aboriginal-objects-nsw>
7. Long term management of Aboriginal objects must be considered as part of the Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application.

8. An archaeological salvage excavation methodology must be provided with the Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application.

Please note that any modification of the above development that will result in impacts to Aboriginal cultural heritage must be referred to Heritage NSW to determine whether changes to these general terms of approval are required.

Advice

It is recommended the report is updated with the following information for submission at the time of the Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application:

- The salvage methodology will need to include a map identifying the location of proposed salvage excavation units. It is recommended that research questions are developed specific for the salvage excavation, a minimum and maximum area in m² for salvage excavation is presented and triggers for expansion units.
- Updated AHIMS search results within 12 months currency of submission of the application.

The archaeological salvage excavation methodology will be subject to review at the Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application stage.

Aboriginal community consultation must be maintained

Consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties must be maintained. We recommend updates on the project are provided to the registered Aboriginal parties every six months to ensure the consultation is continuous.

If you have any questions in relation to these general terms of approval, please contact Lyndon Patterson, Senior Assessments Officer at Heritage NSW on (02) 9873 8500 or heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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