Department of Planning and Environment



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Subject: Construction and Operation Groundwater Monitoring Program (Conditions C13(c)-C16 and D6(a)-D7)

Dear Mr Lawrence

I refer to your submission on 24 January 2023, requesting approval of the Construction and Operation Groundwater Monitoring Program (rev 4, 20 January 2023) (COGWMP) under Conditions C16 and D6 of SSI-7666. I also acknowledge your response to the Department's review comments and request for additional information on earlier revisions of the COGWMP.

I note the COGWMP:

- has been prepared in consultation with the EPA, DPI Agriculture, Coffs Harbour Council, DPI Fisheries and DPE Water;
- has been reviewed by Transport for NSW and no issues have been raised with the Department;
- has been endorsed by the ER; and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

I also note the Soil & Water Management Plan includes Groundwater REMMs GW11 and GW7.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the Construction and Operation Groundwater Monitoring Program (rev 4, 20 January 2023) under Conditions C16 and D6.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the COGWMP and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Amy Porter at amy.porter@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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As nominee of the Planning Secretary