

**From:** [Richard Bonner](#)  
**To:** [Rob Beckett](#)  
**Subject:** RE: 3479C\_RE: Haerses Road Quarry (Modification 2) - DA 165-7/2005 MOD 2  
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Hi Rob,

OEH notes the views of DPE that any indirect impacts on the biodiversity values of land adjacent to and east of the modified development area (ie within Lot 7308) were adequately assessed and approved via Modification 1 and that there are no new impacts resulting from Modification 2.

OEH's advice of 2 January 2019 was that Modification 2 could not be supported based on the rationale provided in Umwelt's 28 November 2018 letter for amending the 40m buffer. OEH considered the adjoining land (lot 7308) was most likely 'community land' managed by The Hills Shire Council as bushland. This is incorrect as your advice is that the land is zoned RU1 – Primary Production and is not bushland set aside for conservation. Based on the information provided, OEH does not object to proposed Modification 2.

Regards



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**Subject:** RE: 3479C\_RE: Haerses Road Quarry (Modification 2) - DA 165-7/2005 MOD 2

Hi Rob,

The assessment of indirect impacts for a major project in the Framework for Biodiversity Assessment (FBA) is addressed in section 8.4 (see pages 28-29 in [this link](#) to the FBA). As discussed this morning, Umwelt's argument at point 3 is that the EA has adequately assessed the potential indirect biodiversity impacts of the modification in accordance with the requirements of the FBA. The EA states *'the Modification is not expected to result in any substantial indirect impacts on the biodiversity values of the surrounding lands during the construction or operational phases of the Modification'* (s. 6.7.5.2, p. 97). While not stated in the EA, it is assumed the buffer width considered by the EA when assessing indirect impacts on the biodiversity values of the adjoining land east of the Haerses Road extension (lot 7308) is as shown in figure 1.3 of the EA (and figure 1.2 of the Biodiversity Assessment Report) - this is clearly at odds with the 40m buffer required by (appendix 2 of) the modification consent.

Regards



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Hi Richard,

You were kind enough to review this proposed modification for Haerses Road Quarry late last year, and we received your written feedback after the break.

The applicant has responded to the concerns raised by OEH in your submission, and I am hoping you (or one of your colleagues if you are not the best contact) can review the applicant's response and provide further comments.

I'd be happy to discuss this over the phone once OEH has had the chance to review the response to submissions.

Kind Regards,

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Dear Rob,

Please find attached a response to the comments of the Department and OEH.

Should further information be required, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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Hi Alex,

Further to my email of 21 December 2018 seeking additional information, we have recently received advice from OEH, which has been attached for your reference.

We would ask that you please also address concerns raised by OEH in addition to the request from our earlier email.

Kind Regards,

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