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Dear Ms Sarah Fabian

**Wallerawang Quarry (DA 344-11-2001 MOD 1)
Comment on the Environmental Assessment**

I refer to your email of 25 May 2017 to the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter. Comment has been sought from relevant divisions of DPI. Views were also sought from NSW Department of Industry – Lands and Forestry that are now a division of the broader Department and no longer within NSW DPI. Any further referrals to DPI can be sent by email to landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

DPI has reviewed the Environmental Assessment and provides the following comments:

While it is noted that the proponent considers the current modification does not propose any change to activities which could result in aquifer interference, DPI does not consider that this has been adequately established. The previously approved DA 344-11-2001 did not require the proponent to assess groundwater impacts or monitoring. As such there is no readily available information on groundwater for DPI to undertake proper assessment of groundwater impacts for this project.

DPI recommends that any approval for the project include a condition of consent requiring the proponent to prepare an updated Water Management Plan for the quarry in consultation with DPI Water (water.referral@dpi.nsw.gov.au), within 12 months of the modification determination.

Additionally the proponent should notify Department of Industry – Lands (lands.ministerials@industry.nsw.gov.au) of annual reporting to confirm that no discharges are occurring on adjacent Crown land and Crown waterway (Coxs River).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G White'.

Graeme White
A/Director, Planning Policy & Assessment Advice
21 June 2017

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