



Ms Zina Ainsworth  
Environment and Community Manager  
SIMEC Mining

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Dear Ms Ainsworth

**Extraction Plan  
Tahmoor North - Western Domain Longwalls West 3 – West 4**

I refer to the Tahmoor North – Western Domain Longwalls West 3 and West 4 Extraction Plan that was submitted in accordance with Condition 13H of Schedule 2 of the consent for the Tahmoor North Underground Extension (DA67/98).

The Department has undertaken a comprehensive assessment of the Extraction Plan, in consultation with the Independent Advisory Panel for Underground Mining and relevant agencies. The Department notes that the issues raised during this consultation have been satisfactorily resolved in the revised Extraction Plan and through submission of the Stonequarry Creek Rockbar Management Plan (Revision 7).

The Department notes that with the control measures proposed under the Extraction Plan and Stonequarry Creek Rockbar Management Plan, the potential subsidence impacts on key natural features, heritage sites and built features are expected to meet the performance measures outlined in the development consent (DA 67/98) and the conditions of this Extraction Plan approval.

Accordingly, the Planning Secretary has approved the Tahmoor North – Western Domain Longwalls West 3 and West 4 Extraction Plan (Revision 2, August 2021) subject to the conditions outlined in the attached Reasons for Approval.

The Department notes that it will be important to strictly apply the proposed monitoring regime and TARPs as the mining progresses and keep the Department informed and notified of any triggers.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Gabrielle Allan on 02 9585 6078 or [gabrielle.allan@dpie.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gabrielle.allan@dpie.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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As nominee of the Planning Secretary

Enclosed:

- Tahmoor Coal Mine Longwalls W3-W4 Extraction Plan - Reasons for Approval
- Attachment 1 – Independent Advisory Panel for Underground Mining Advice re: Tahmoor Coal Mine North Western Domain Longwalls W3 and W4 Extraction Plan