

Our ref: Greater Parramatta, Olympic Peninsula Water Cycle (SSI-74258485)

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Subject: Response to Submissions

Dear Mr Plowman

The extended exhibition of the environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Greater Parramatta, Olympic Peninsula Water Cycle (SSI-74258485) ended on Wednesday 18 March 2026.

Response to Submissions

We have placed all submissions on the NSW Planning Portal at <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/greater-parramatta-olympic-peninsula-water-cycle> and now require a written response to issues raised in the submissions, as required under section 5.17(6) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The written response must be in the form of a submissions report prepared having regard to the *State Significant Infrastructure Guidelines - Preparing a Submissions Report (Appendix C to the state significant infrastructure guidelines)*. The submissions report must also include a response to the issues raised by agencies in their advice.

Amendment Report

Should components of the proposal be amended to improve the design, respond to issues raised in submissions or agency advice, or reduce the impacts of the project, Sydney Water must first seek the approval of the Planning Secretary to amend the SSI application. The request must be made on the NSW Planning Portal.

Following the Planning Secretary's agreement, Sydney Water must outline these changes in an Amendment Report, prepared having regard to *State significant infrastructure guidelines– Preparing an Amendment Report (Appendix D to the state significant infrastructure guidelines)*, along with an amended State significant infrastructure application. The Department may exhibit the Amendment Report and seek public comments and agency advice on it.

Next Steps

We request that the Department be involved in your engagement with agencies and councils during the preparation of the submissions report (and amendment report, where required), so as to improve its understanding of key issues and how these matters are to be resolved. Please provide:

- an agency engagement plan which details how critical issues identified in community submissions and agency advice will be addressed with the relevant stakeholders.
- an updated Gantt chart to incorporate the additional steps taken as part of the agency engagement plan.

The Department should be present at meetings with agencies and councils on key issues which:

- consider an agency's advice (before Submissions Report [and Amendment Report] preparation); and
- present further assessment and the proposed changes to mitigation and management measures (before the submission of the Submissions Report and Amendment Report).

Some of these matters can be undertaken as part of the project working group.

Please note that the preparation of the Submissions Report (and Amendment Report) are not included in the Department's assessment timeframes and will affect the timing of subsequent steps and determination.

The issues raised in submissions and agency advice must be adequately addressed otherwise the Department may request a Preferred Infrastructure Report (PIR) in accordance with Section 5.17(6)(b) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The Department may exhibit and seek public comments and agency advice on the PIR.

It is recommended that draft versions of the Submissions Report (and Amendment Report) be submitted to the Department via email for review prior to the lodgement of the final version(s) on the Major Projects Website.

Please lodge your submissions report by 5 August 2026 via the NSW Planning Portal <https://majorprojects.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/>.

If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Gorgioski, on 9860 1538 or via email at daniel.gorgioski@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa Mitchell".

Lisa Mitchell

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