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Dear Mr Barnes,

**Wallerawang Quarry - Modification 3 (DA344-11-2001)**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the modification application and report for the Wallerawang Quarry (DA344-11-2001). I note the request for comments was sent to the general Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) e-mail address ([info@fcnsw.com.au](mailto:info@fcnsw.com.au)), which has also been the contact address used in previous correspondence. I request, again, for all correspondence related to activity within the Central Tablelands, in particular Wallerawang Quarry, be directed to myself at [melanie.klootwijk@fcnsw.com.au](mailto:melanie.klootwijk@fcnsw.com.au)

FCNSW puts forward the following comments:

- The Mining Lease for Wallerawang Quarry is for quartzite only. **Section 1.5** lists four key resource types to be extracted, two of which are not quartzite products and described below:
  - Sandstone – currently sold as road base and could potentially be processed to produce sand
  - Hornfels could potentially be used as concrete aggregate, ballast and gabion rock

Any product not containing quartzite is the property of FCNSW and can only be sold under a Forest Materials Licence (As per *Forestry Act 2012*) and the holder must pay FCNSW a Resource Acquisition fee (*Forestry Act 2012* Part 4 Section 49). This is briefly noted in **Section 3.2.1.2** under the NSW Environment Protection Authority heading, however I believe it should be addressed in other parts of the document. FCNSW is currently in the process of issuing the Forest Material Licence, which cannot exceed a term of 5 years without the written approval of the Minister and cannot, in any event, exceed 20 years. The negotiation of the Licence has taken some time, and should future Licence negotiations fail, the non-quartzite resource cannot be sold and will remain in the stockpile.

- **Section 1.4.9** Quarry Site Rehabilitation states: in accordance with the MOP two water storage dams, major drainage lines, Quarry site entrance, sealed access road and access roads to the water storages will be retained. FCNSW and Walker Quarries have discussed and negotiated different rehabilitation requirements, which are described several times within the MOD3 documentation. Not having a thorough knowledge of the MOD process, FCNSW is seeking clarification on a revision of the MOP to include updated information, including rehabilitation requirements, once MOD3 is determined.

- **Section 4.4** addresses Aboriginal Heritage, specifically Site #45-1-2802, which is located within State forest. **Section 4.4.4** proposes the salvage and relocation of the artefacts in consultation with the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAP). FCNSW requests to be notified of the outcome once determined by the RAPs.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanie Klootwijk', written in a cursive style.

**Melanie Klootwijk**  
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