



Hamish Russell
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Dear Mr Russell

**Boggabri Coal Mine (MP09_0182)
Extension of Time – Security of Biodiversity Offset Areas**

I refer to your request dated 4 March 2021, requesting an extension of time for securing the biodiversity offset areas required under condition 47 of schedule 3 of the Boggabri Coal Mine approval (09_0182).

The Department notes that Boggabri Coal has been actively engaged with the Biodiversity Conservation Trust and the Department's Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS) to finalise appropriate mechanisms to provide long term security for biodiversity offset areas.

The Department notes the comments from BCS confirming that it supports an extension of time to 30 June 2022 to register the agreement or transfer the of land.

The Department is satisfied that Boggabri Coal is pursuing reasonable endeavours to secure the offsets. Accordingly, the Planning Secretary has granted an extension of time until 30 June 2022.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Philip Nevill on (02) 8275 1036.

Yours sincerely

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Stephen O'Donoghue
Director
Resource Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary