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Director
Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure
NSW Major Projects Portal

Attention: Kiera Plumridge

DA92/97-MOD-8, Modification to Extend Mine Life, Mount Pleasant Operations, Wybong Road Muswellbrook

I refer to the abovementioned State Significant Development Modification referred to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) on 16 February 2026 for comment in accordance with section 56 (2)(b)(i) of Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021.

TfNSW key interests are the safety and efficiency of the transport network, the needs of our customers and the integration of land use and transport in accordance with the [Connecting NSW Strategy](#).

New England Highway (HW9) is a classified (State) road and Bengalla Road, Wybong Road & Kayuga Road are local roads. Bengalla Road, and the section of Wybong Rd from Bengalla Road west through to the Golden Highway, are currently being reclassified to State Classified Road. Council is the roads authority in accordance with Section 7 of the *Roads Act 1993*.

TfNSW has reviewed the information provided and is unable to properly assess impacts on the transport network due to insufficient information and has identified the following:

1. The Road Transport Assessment (RTA), prepared by TTPP dated 19 November 2025, relies on traffic count data from 27 November 2019, which should be validated to demonstrate it is a reasonable representation of the current road environment.
2. The RTA states most operational staff use Thomas Mitchel Drive to access the site and the scope of the RTA should include this intersection with New England Highway (NEH).

TfNSW is available to review any further information or to meet with DPHI and the Applicant to further discuss TfNSW comments. Should you require further information please contact Bec Shaw, Development Services Case Officer, on 1300 207 783 or 0499 269 213 or by emailing development.north@transport.nsw.gov.au

Yours faithfully



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