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Dear Robert

**Dubbo Quarry Continuation Project, (State Significant Development - SSD 10417)**

Thank you for the opportunity for Heritage NSW to review and comment on the continuation project for the Dubbo Quarry. HNSW recognise that since the quarry commenced in 1980 it has since been classified as a State Significant Development (SSD) under Part 4, Division 4.7 of the NSW *Environmental Planning Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act).

HNSW is satisfied with the Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment (ACH) for the proposed continuation area prepared, by EMM Consulting (EMM 2021) and accept the Aboriginal consultation undertaken. HNSW note that the proponent did not receive any responses on the draft assessment report, from the Registered Aboriginal Parties (EMM 2021:9).

HNSW is also aware the project activity will likely harm an isolated find (stone artefact, AHIMS 44-4-0383). Whilst other examples of Aboriginal sites are located outside of the project boundary HNSW recognise that the impacts to ACH from the proposed development activity is minimal. HNSW further note that the proponent recommends that the isolated find will be relocated, to further reduce harm, post project approval and in consultation with the Registered Aboriginal Parties.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Phil Purcell, Archaeologist at Heritage NSW on 68835341 or phil.purcell@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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