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DA165-7-2005-Mod3

Mr Joel Herbert  
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Dear Mr Herbert,

**Re: Haerses Road Quarry MOD 3 - Production Increase (DA165-7-2005-Mod-3)**

I refer to the 21 January 2020 request for advice from the Environment, Energy and Science (EES) Group on the above modification.

EES Group notes from the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) that the Planning and Assessment Group *'recommended that a BDAR (Biodiversity Development Assessment Report) was not required as long as the potential indirect impacts to the biodiversity values of the adjacent areas as a result of the Proposed Modification were shown to be appropriately managed'*. However, as advised on 22 July 2019, it is EES Group's understanding of section 7.17 of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* that a BDAR is required unless the decision maker considers there will not be an increase in the impact (direct or indirect) on biodiversity values.

In relation to the existing consent mitigation measures to address edge effects, noise, dust, light spill and other indirect impacts to the biodiversity values of adjacent areas, it is recommended these be applied to the extended extraction area. It is unclear from the SEE whether this is proposed.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Richard Bonner, Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9995 6917 or [richard.bonner@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:richard.bonner@environment.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S. Harrison' followed by the date '26/02/20'.

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