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Advice provided via the Major Project Portal

Dear Ms Doan,

Request for Advice - New Primary School at Googong EIS (SSD-10326042)

Thank you for providing Heritage NSW with the opportunity to comment on the State Significant Development (SSD) Application for the proposed Primary School at Googong on 15 June 2021.

Heritage NSW has reviewed the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR), marked version 5 prepared by Navin Officer Heritage Consultants and dated May 2021, and provide the following comments in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage matters only.

We note that the land of the proposed school has already been extensively disturbed through construction activities for the Googong New Town, which was authorised under Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) No. 1116438. This AHIP has now expired. Based on our review, we understand that there are no Aboriginal objects within the project area and that no further archaeological investigations are required.

Heritage NSW is satisfied the application has considered and addressed Aboriginal cultural heritage matters for the land.

As such, we support the recommendations outlined within the ACHAR which require the following of unanticipated discovery protocols. We recommend these protocols form part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan as set out under section 10 Mitigation measures of the Environment Impact Statement (EIS), prepared by Mecone and dated June 2021. We would support ongoing consultation with the Aboriginal community as part of construction activities and recommend that the Aboriginal Participation in Construction Policy (APIC) is considered for this development.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice please contact Sarah Robertson Archaeologist, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation – South, Heritage NSW on (02) 6229 7088 or via email at <u>sarah.robertson@environment.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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