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Dear Kendall Clydsdale,

Major Projects - Heritage NSW - Aboriginal cultural heritage - New Request for Advice - Central Coast Quarter - Stage 1, Northern Tower (SSD-23588910) (Central Coast).

Thank you for your referral 20 September 2021, inviting comments from the Heritage NSW on the above State Significant Development proposal with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Heritage NSW has reviewed Appendix S - with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage. Heritage NSW understands that the Archaeological Management and Consulting Group, in conjunction with Streat Archaeological Services Pty Ltd, was commissioned by the proponent, SH Gosford Residential Pty Ltd, in October 2020, to prepare an Aboriginal Heritage Management Plan (AHMP) for the proposed mixed-use development site, 26-30 Mann Street, Gosford NSW. Heritage NSW has been previously consulted regarding the development of the AHMP, including the condition regarding Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, which is outlined in Part C - Clause 19 of the Future Environmental Assessment Requirements (FEARs) document.

Heritage NSW notes that the CHMP documented an archaeological test excavation program undertaken in December 2019. The programme was conducted under the *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW* and consisted of the excavation of nine test trenches (50cm x 50cm), noting that three were abandoned due to high level of disturbance. Heritage NSW notes that proposed development will impact the study area, however, concurs with the AHMP, that the majority of the site has been disturbed due to past land use, as a result, Heritage NSW does not require any further assessment with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Should you require any further information, please contact Nicole Davis, A/Senior Team Leader, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation - North Nicole.davis@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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