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Dear Emily

Request for Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARS) for Expansion of the Museums Discovery Centre (SSD-10472)

Thank you for your referral dated 12 June 2020 inviting SEARS input from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development proposal.

The subject site is not listed on the State Heritage Register (SHR), nor is it in the immediate vicinity of any SHR items. Further, the site does not contain any known historical archaeological deposits. Therefore, no referral to the Heritage Council of NSW is required. The Department does not need to refer subsequent stages of this proposal to the Heritage Council of NSW.

Heritage NSW worked closely with DPIE in 2019 to establish criteria identifying when an SSD or SSI project should be referred to the Heritage Council. You can find the referral criteria here: <http://pecan.planning.nsw.gov.au/teams/assessment-practices/SitePages/Assessment%20Matters.aspx> (see 31 October 2019). This will assist you in understanding when the Heritage Council is likely to have an interest in any state significant projects.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Gary Hinder, A/Senior Heritage Assessment Officer, at Gary.Hinder@environment.nsw.gov.au or on 9873 8547.

Yours sincerely



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