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Dear Mr Canon

## Great Western Battery Energy Storage System (SSD-12346552) Lithgow City

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2 March 2022 about Great Western Battery Energy Storage System (SSD-12346552).

The NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) Agriculture is committed to the protection and growth of agricultural industries, and the land and resources upon which these industries depend.

DPI has reviewed the proposal and only has one recommendation for consideration. In relation to the rehabilitation of groundcover, that appropriate grass species are selected that deal with local conditions and consider ongoing management needs in relation to this proposal and neighbouring lands. Ideally a local agronomic specialist such as the Local Land Services officer or other rehabilitation specialist can assist with this aspect.

Clarification on any of the information contained in this response, please contact me on phone number 0427949987 or by email at <a href="mailto:landuse.ag@dpi.nsw.gov.au">landuse.ag@dpi.nsw.gov.au</a>

Yours sincerely

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