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Via Major Projects Portal

Mr Ng,

**Request for consultation – Advice on EIS– Sydney Metro West: Stage 3 – rail infrastructure, stations, precincts & operations (critical SSI-22766520)**

Thank you for your referral seeking consultation on the proposal from DPI Fisheries, a division of NSW Department of Primary Industries on the proposed works stated above.

DPI Fisheries is responsible for ensuring that fish stocks are conserved and that there is no net loss of key fish habitats upon which they depend. To achieve this, DPI Fisheries ensures that developments comply with the requirements of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (FM Act) (namely the aquatic habitat protection and threatened species conservation provisions in Parts 7 and 7A of the Act, respectively), and the associated *Policy and Guidelines for Fish Habitat Conservation and Management (2013)*. DPI Fisheries is also responsible for ensuring the sustainable management of commercial, recreational, and Aboriginal cultural fishing, aquaculture, marine parks, and aquatic reserves within NSW.

DPI Fisheries have reviewed Chapter 10 (North Strathfield Metro Station), Chapter 17 (Clyde Stabling and maintenance facility) and Chapter 13 (The Bays). DPI Fisheries is also aware that this project has been awarded a BDAR waiver under the Biodiversity Conservation Act (2016).

While impacts that would trigger the Fisheries Management Act (1994) are noted in these works DPI Fisheries understands that no additional impacts to marine vegetation are proposed under Stage 3, so there are no offset considerations. DPI Fisheries further understands that these impacts have been fully considered and offset under stage 1 & 2 of the same project. If this is not the case, please contact this office.

If you require any further information, please contact me on (02) 4222 8311 or [josi.hollywood@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:josi.hollywood@dpi.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely,

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