

## MINING, EXPLORATION & GEOSCIENCE ADVICE RESPONSE

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Dear Rose-Anne

**Project: Bowdens Silver Project Amendment** 

**Stage: Advice on Amendment Report Development Application: SSD-5765** 

I refer to your correspondence dated 27 April 2022 inviting the Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) to provide comments on the Bowdens Silver Project Amendment (the Amendment) submitted by Silver Mines Limited.

MEG has reviewed the information supplied and raises no issues regarding the Amendment.

We do however request early consultation in relation to the proposed location of any biodiversity offset areas (both on and off site) or any supplementary biodiversity measures to ensure there is no consequent reduction in access to prospective land for mineral exploration, or potential for sterilisation of mineral or extractive resources.

For further advice on this matter, please contact Katherine Courtney, A/Senior Analyst, Industry Development on 02 4063 6860 or <a href="mining.concierge@regional.nsw.gov.au">mining.concierge@regional.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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