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Dear Jeffrey

**Grenfell Poultry Breeder Farm – Response to Submissions**

Thank you for your e-mail dated 29 April 2022 to the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS) of the Department of Planning and Environment inviting comments on the Grenfell Poultry Breeder Farm Response to Submissions (RTS).

Our previous response to the exhibited Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) (DOC22/59623 dated 1 February 2022) stated we were satisfied that the project had adequately assessed the impacts of the development on biodiversity in accordance with the Biodiversity Assessment Method.

BCS has reviewed the proponents RTS and understand that further information has been provided regarding the conceptual design of access tracks within the project site as a response to Transport for NSW's submission on the EIS.

The updated concept plan for the project site submitted by the proponent includes a 25m road buffer and road widening within the site entry point from Gooloogong Road. BCS notes from review of the concept plan that these design changes may require additional clearing of biodiversity values which have not been included within the Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) or the projects associated offset calculations.

BCS recommends that both the BDAR and the projects offset calculations are updated to include the abovementioned project design changes. If the total clearing required for the proposed design changes are conceptual and/or uncertain at this point in time, BCS recommends that the upper quantum of vegetation clearing required for the project is assessed and calculated, according to a worst-case scenario.

To provide context to BCS concerns an extract of the BDAR detailing the total biodiversity impact assessed within the EIS has been compared against the newly supplied conceptual plan in **Attachment A**. If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Ben Ellis, Principal Project Officer, via [ben.ellis@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ben.ellis@environment.nsw.gov.au) or (02) 8275 1838.

Yours sincerely

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