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Subject: Request for Advice - Eastern Creek REP Throughput Increase (SSD-11606719)

Dear Mr Copas

Thank you for your email received 12 July 2022 seeking comments on the environmental impact statement (EIS) for the above project. Environment and Heritage Group (EHG) has reviewed the EIS for this project and provides the following comments.

EHG has reviewed the Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) dated June 2022. EHG notes that the Biodiversity Assessment Method (BAM) credit summary report provided in Appendix F indicates the status of the case in the BAM-Calculator is 'to be finalised'. Prior to submission of the BDAR, the case should be finalised and submitted to the consent authority, which for cases in the Sydney area, is Greater Sydney - Compliance & Regulation.

EHG also requires, as set out in Table 25 of the BAM, that the BDAR includes a table of credit class and matching credit profiles, to assist in the preparation of any consent conditions. This can be achieved by including a copy of the 'Biodiversity Credit Report (like for like)' in the BDAR.

EHG has reviewed the surface water impact assessment. EHG notes the site is not impacted by flooding and has no comments regarding this aspect.

If you have any queries please contact David Way, Senior Conservation Officer via <a href="mailto:David.Way@planning.nsw.gov.au">David.Way@planning.nsw.gov.au</a> or 02 8275 1324.

Yours sincerely,

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