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New England Solar MOD 2

The Department of Planning and Environment – Crown Lands has reviewed the proposal.

As per the Report, Crown Lands notes that there are a number of Crown roads within the project area. These roads may provide legal access to the development but may not provide practical access. The Department advises that these roads should not be relied upon for practical access to the project site. It is also proposed that electrical cabling zones, substation/BESS footprint and laydown/compound areas may also be placed on or over Crown roads.

The Department will need to be referenced, prior to any use or occupation of any Crown roads.

Authority to use, traverse, access or build infrastructure on Crown land and roads is required under the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and/or the *Roads Act 1993*. It is recommended that the proponent contact Crown Lands as early as possible to discuss and initiate the processes required to authorise the use of and/or access to Crown land and roads. Crown roads have been identified in Table 4.3 of the report that will requiring application for road closing and transfer to landholder. The proponent would be able to commence works on Crown roads ahead of road closure finalisation by obtaining a licence to undertake works through DPE- Crown Lands. The existing Licence 609354 may be replaced by a new licence should modification to the licence be required.

There are multiple Crown roads, including Crown roads with enclosure permits, both within and adjoining the proposed development area. The proposed modifications affecting Crown roads includes:

- Area 1 Crown roads adjoin Lot 150 DP 755827 to the east are included in Area 1, and the potential site access and electrical cabling zone includes Crown roads.
- Area 2 Crown roads adjoin Lot 119 DP 755827 to the north and east. Crown roads adjoin Lot 112 DP 755827 to the south and north. The adjacent potential site access and electrical cabling zone includes Crown roads.
- Area 3 Crown roads adjoin Lot 181 DP 755827 to the north and east are included in Area
- Potential site access and electrical cabling zone include Crown roads.
- Potential substation/BESS footprint area includes Crown roads.
- Potential laydown area/site compound includes Crown roads.



If the proponent requires further information, or has any questions, please contact Warren Martin, Natural Resource Management Project Officer in Crown Lands, on 02 67703118 or at warren.martin@crownland.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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