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Kurtis Wathen  
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Dear Sir

**State Significant Development - The Plains Wind Farm - Major Project reference: SSD-50629707**

Reference is made to the abovementioned Development Application and in particular EIS.

Council wishes to provide the following comment:

- Broken Hill City Council's interest in the project relates in particular to the transport route.
- Council notes that the proposed transport route through the Broken Hill LGA will traverse heritage items and a Conservation Area as dedicated in *Broken Hill Local Environmental Plan 2013*. Council believes that the transport route will not adversely impact on those items and Conservation Area.
- Council notes that there will be tree trimming required to accommodate the transport route, and requests that any tree trimming that is to occur within the Broken Hill LGA, complies with Broken Hill City Council's Tree Management Plan.
- It appears from viewing the available information, that there may not have been consideration of or consultation with, Aboriginal communities/parties along the transport route. Council considers it appropriate that consultation with relevant Aboriginal parties (that may have an interest in land affected by the transport route through Broken Hill LGA), should occur, prior to determination of the DA.
- Council requests clarification be provided by the proponent as to whether the temporary bypass from the Barrier Highway in the Broken Hill LGA, is to be removed.
- It is noted that the transport route near the area of Sturt/Chettle Streets and Barrier Highway (Pinch point 10b – Lot 7313) requires fencing to be re-aligned and new gate installed. It appears that this area may cut through a Mining Lease, of which Perilya Pty Ltd has an interest in ("Broken Hill North Mine"). Council suggests that the proponent consults with Perilya prior to DA consent being issued.
- Council requires the road surface of the intersection of Menindee Road and Crystal Street to be strengthened. Specification of the strengthening works are requested to be provided and discussed with Council prior to approval of the transport route and the DA.

Council appreciates the opportunity to provide comment. For any further queries, please contact the undersigned on telephone 08 8080 3300.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Stephens'.

TRACEY STEPHENS  
TOWN PLANNER