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**Subject: Environmental Impact Statement – Taronga Zoo Sky Safari (SSD-46807958)**

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Dear Ms Nowland

Thank you for your referral received 20 September 2024 seeking comments from the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science (BCS) Group of the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for State Significant Development (SSD) Taronga Zoo Sky Safari (SSD-46807958) located at Bradleys Head Road, Mosman.

BCS has reviewed Appendix S Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) prepared by Narla Environmental (dated July 2024), and concludes the report is adequate for the SSD application.

BCS has undertaken this review without access to the case in the Biodiversity Assessment Method Calculator (BAM-C). Once the case is finalised, the assessor must 'submit to consent authority' in the BAM-C, the consent authority in this case being 'Greater Sydney – Compliance & Regulation'. BCS has also undertaken this review without access to relevant spatial data.

BCS has reviewed the EIS and relevant supporting technical reports and recommends the following biodiversity items be included as conditions of consent:

- mitigation and management measures as outlined in Appendix S Table 15 of the BDAR prepared by Narla Environmental (dated July 2024)
- arboricultural recommendations detailed in Sections 3 and 4 of Appendix N Arboricultural Impact Assessment prepared by Naturally Trees (dated 10 July 2024)
- planting and landscape plans including the planting plan and schedule, Landscape Concept Plan and Tree Management Plan found in Appendix O Landscape Report and Appendix P Landscape Plans, both prepared by NewScape Design (dated 19 July 2024).

BCS has reviewed Appendix V Water Management Plan prepared by Meinhardt (dated 23 August 2024) and has no comments for the SSD Application regarding flooding.

Please note that BCS should not be given a role in any conditions of consent without prior agreement.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Angela Stewart, Senior Conservation Planning Officer, via [angela.stewart@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:angela.stewart@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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