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Via: Major Projects Portal

ADVICE RESPONSE: Hunter Central Logistics Estate (HCLE)

Stage: Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Development Application: SSD-64738258

Dear Deana,

I refer to your correspondence dated 3 April 2025 inviting the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development - NSW Resources to provide comments on the Hunter Central Logistics Estate (HCLE) (the Project), submitted to Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure by PPIP Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

NSW Resources has reviewed the information supplied in relation to the Project and based on the review provides the following advice.

NSW Resources notes that the site is the subject of Mining Lease (ML) 1618 and Exploration Licence (EL) 5497 both held by Donaldson Coal Pty Ltd, forming part of the Abel underground mine which is currently suspended. The NSW Resources Regulator advice is provided as an Attachment.

NSW Resources notes the EIS indicates that consultation with the title holder has commenced and the outcomes of this consultation must be detailed in any Amendment report or Response to Submissions.

If the Project proceeds, NSW Resources recommends ongoing consultation with title holder(s) while exploration and mining titles remain active on the subject land.

For further advice on this matter, please contact Giselle Carney, Senior Advisory Officer, Industry Advisory and Mining Concierge unit on 02 4063 6860 or mining.concierge@dpird.nsw.gov.au.

Sincerely



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Dear Deana,

I refer to the Hunter Central Logistics Estate (HCLE) submitted to the Resources Regulator on 4 of April 2025 (SSD- 64738258). The Resources Regulator has reviewed the request.

The proposed development lies over workings of the Abel Underground Mine which is currently suspended. Further mining below the proposed development site is unlikely prior to final mine closure. The site also lies within the Blackhill Mine Subsidence District. In this context Subsidence Advisory NSW is relevant authority in relation potential subsidence impacts to the proposed development.

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS IF APPROVED

The proponent will be required to comply with rehabilitation requirements under the mining authorisation(s) when undertaking works associated with the proposal.

The Resources Regulator may undertake assessments of the mine operators' proposed mining activities under the *Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Act 2013* and Regulation as well as other WHS regulatory obligations.

BACKGROUND

The Mining Act Inspectorate within the Resources Regulator undertake risk-based compliance and enforcement activities in relation to obligations under the *Mining Act 1992*. This includes undertaking assessment and compliance activities in relation to mine rehabilitation activities and determination of security deposits.

The Mine Safety Inspectorate within the Resources Regulator is responsible for ensuring the mine operators' compliance with the Work Health and Safety (WHS) legislation, in particular the effective management of risks associated with the principal hazards as specified in the *Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2022*.

CONTACT

Should you require any further information or clarification, please contact the Regulator on

1300 814 609 (Press Option 2 then Option 5) or email nswresourcesregulator@service-now.com.

Yours sincerely,



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Resources Regulator