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Advice on Modification Report – State Significant Development

Proposal: Rushes Ck Mod-6 - Stage 2 Reconfiguration & Water Mgt

Major Project reference: SSD-7704-Mod-6

Received: 3 June 2025

Dear Ms Munk,

Thank you for your referral seeking advice on the Modification Report for the above State Significant Development proposal.

On 4 May 2021, Heritage NSW provided advice in relation to the draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (ACHMP). [DOC21/169400]

In preparing this modification advice Heritage NSW has reviewed the following documents:

- Relevant sections of the Modification Report: *Rushes Creek Poultry Farm, Modification 6, SSD 7704* - prepared by SLR Consulting Australia, dated 30 April 2025
- Appendix A: *Updated Project Description*, prepared by SLR Consulting, dated 11 April 2025
- Appendix L: *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Correspondence*, prepared by OzArk Environment and Heritage, dated 17 December 2024

It is understood that the proposed application seeks to modify the existing Development Consent to enable the removal of one farm area, changes to internal road layout and adjustments to Farm 1 and 4 layouts.

The OzArk correspondence indicates that the modifications would not result in changes to the management of the Aboriginal sites within the development footprint and that the known Aboriginal sites near the proposed works would be avoided in line with the approved ACHMP management measures.

While Heritage NSW agrees with this assessment, we recommend that Planning request the proponent address the following issue:

- Please clarify whether the OzArk letter dated 17 December was sent to all Registered Aboriginal Parties, in line with the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents* (DECCW 2010). Such evidence was not provided with the modification application.

Provided this matter can be addressed satisfactorily, Heritage NSW has no further comments.

Please note that the above comments relate only to Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation matters. If you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact Veerle Norbury, Senior Assessments Officer at Heritage NSW on (02) 9873 8500 or heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

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