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Advice on Environmental Impact Statement – State Significant Development

Proposal: Alspec Warehousing Facility

Major Project reference: SSD-81434988

Received: 19 August 2025

Dear Mr Bertwistle,

Thank you for seeking advice from Heritage NSW regarding the above State Significant Development proposal. In preparing this advice Heritage NSW has reviewed the following documents:

- *Storage & Distribution Warehouse – 221-235 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)* - prepared by Urbis, dated 18 July 2025.
- *Re: Alspec Industrial Business Park - Storage and Distribution Warehouse - Aboriginal heritage advice* - prepared by EMM, dated 11 July 2025.

It is understood that consent for bulk earthworks for the project has been provided by Penrith City Council (DA24/0924, issued 5 May 2025). This includes earthworks, subdivision, vegetation removal, landscaping, and the establishment of new roads. The proponent is currently in the process of seeking an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) to undertake bulk earthworks, as these works will result in an impact to sites listed on the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS).

The Aboriginal heritage letter of advice provided with the EIS states that the proposed works under DA24/0924 would result in the complete destruction of any Aboriginal objects on the site, and as such, no further management of Aboriginal cultural heritage would be required under SSD-81434988.

Through consultation with the Heritage NSW AHIP team, we have received the final version of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) for the Industrial Park: *Alspec Industrial Park, Orchard Hills: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment*, prepared by EMM, dated April 2024. The AHIP team has advised that further information is required for the AHIP application to progress. Figure 7.1 of the ACHA identifies that the site AIBP23 BS1 / AHIMS# 45-5-5788 extends across the SSD-81434988 project area.

Heritage NSW recommends that prior to approval, Planning request confirmation that the AHIP has been issued or an ACHA assessing the impacts of the proposed SSD to AIBP23 BS1 / AHIMS# 45-5-5788 be provided in accordance with the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements.

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

Yours sincerely,

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