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Advice on Environmental Impact Statement – State Significant Development

Proposal: Demast Sludge Dewatering Plant

Major Project reference: SSD-72775222

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Dear Mr Ansen,

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

Previous correspondence provided in Appendix K of the Environmental Impact Statement notes that as the proposed works do not involve any excavation or ground disturbance further assessment in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage is not required. Accordingly, Heritage NSW has no comment on the proposal at this time.

Should the scope of the project be amended to include ground disturbing works or the removal of mature vegetation, Heritage NSW recommends that an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment be required in accordance with the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements for the project.

Please note that this advice relates 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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As Delegate under *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*
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