



Ms Fern Dorricott
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14/01/2022

Dear Ms Dorricott

Splitting of Barren Box Swamp-2004-I-Mod-1 (DA101-4-2004-I-Mod-1)
Request for additional information

I refer to the Assessment for the Splitting of Barren Box Swamp-2004-I-Mod-1 (DA101-4-2004-I-Mod-1). The Department has received a submission on the Modification from the Biodiversity and Conservation Division (BCD) dated 22 December 2021 (attached). We request that Murrumbidgee Irrigation provide a response to BCD's request for further information including evidence that:

- The project Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) has been reviewed every three years and that those reviews demonstrate that the OEMP is redundant.
- There has been an ecological response to the implementation of the Barren Box Swamp Wetland Rehabilitation Plan 2009-14 in the third cell.
- Biodiversity works proposed including works ancillary to the OEMP and the Barren Box Swamp Wetland Rehabilitation Plan, are approved, including any ancillary clearing of native vegetation consistent with Part 7 of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.
- The removal of the requirement to monitor and report on the health of the Lower Mirrool Creek is consistent with the Project Consent for DA-101-4-2004-i.

The Department also requests:

- Murrumbidgee Irrigation's Community Complaints Register as offered by Murrumbidgee Irrigation in the letter dated 24 December 2021.
- Evidence of consultation with potentially impacted landowners and water licence holders as requested by Carrathool Shire Council in July 2021.

Please provide the information, or notify us that the information will not be provided, by Friday 4 February 2022. If you cannot meet this deadline, please provide and commit to an alternative timeframe for providing this information.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Wisely, on 9873 8526 at Mark.Wisely@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lloyd Eley-Smith', written in a cursive style.

Lloyd Eley-Smith
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