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Dear Mr Sutherland

**Tomingley Gold Extension Project (SSD-9176045)**  
**Request for Additional Information**

I refer to the public exhibition of the proposed Tomingley Gold Extension Project's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which concluded on Monday 28 March 2022 and the Department's letter dated 29 March 2022 requesting that you prepare a Submissions Report detailing your responses to issues raised in the submissions and agency advice.

The Department has received an additional representation from the Siding Spring Observatory outside of the exhibition period that must be considered in the Submissions Report (see **Attachment 1**).

If you have any questions, please contact Emily Murray on 02 8837 6041.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SO'.

Stephen O'Donoghue  
Director  
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**as delegate for the Planning Secretary**

**Attachment 1:** Siding Spring Observatory representation – EIS comments

**From:** Christopher Lidman <Christopher.Lidman@anu.edu.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 March 2022 9:14 PM  
**To:** Emily Murray; director.sso  
**Cc:** Christopher Lidman  
**Subject:** Re: Notice of Exhibition – Tomingley Gold Extension Project (SSD-9176045)

Dear Emily,

Thank you for your e-mails a for the opportunity to comment on the Tomingley Gold Extension Project.

While no detailed calculation on the impact on SSO is provided in the specialist report (Volume 1, Part 2), there is sufficient detail in the report for the Observatory to make it's own assessment. Using the 202,300 lm of luminous flux (consisting of direct and scattered light) quoted in section 6.5 of the report, the Observatory believes that the lighting used at the project will have negligible impact on the brightness of the night sky above the Observatory.

Kind Regards,

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