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Your ref: SSD-12469087

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Dear Mr Singh,

**Subject:** Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project (SSD-12469087)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the above matter. This is a response from the NSW Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration and Geoscience (MEG) – Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW).

MEG has reviewed the Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project EIS (dated September 2021) and understands that the proposal includes the following:

- Increase saleable products from 2.6 to 4.2 Mtpa.
- an extraction depth of 546 mAHD (26m deeper than for the Extension Project),
- a 30-year quarry life (from the date of Continuation Project approval),
- to rectify the Extension Project disturbance boundary to re-include Area 1 (refer to Figure 3.1-EIS) into the Continuation Project boundary,
- 24-hours quarry operations Monday to Saturday, except 6pm Saturday to 2am Monday (with maintenance permitted outside of these hours) and
- up to 375 inbound and 375 outbound daily truck movements.

A condition of any amended consent should require provision (or the continued provision) of annual production data to MEG. MEG collects data on the quantity of construction materials produced annually throughout the State. Forms are sent to all operating quarries at the end of each financial year for this purpose. The statistical data collected is of great value to Government and industry in planning and resource management, particularly as a basis for analysing trends in production and for estimating future demand for particular commodities or in particular regions. Production data may be published in aggregated form, however production data for individual operations is kept strictly confidential.

MEG notes that the BDAR indicates that the Continuation Project will not create any additional impacts to biodiversity as development will be restricted to previously approved areas and therefore no additional offsets are required. Accordingly, MEG has no resource sterilisation concerns to raise.



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Queries regarding the above information should be directed to the MEG - Land Use team at [landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

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