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Dear Nagindar

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

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A review of the Environmental Impact Statement prepared by EMM Consulting has been undertaken in relation to the above proposal and a report was considered at the 16 November 2021 Council Meeting. At this meeting, Council resolved:

***That:***

- 1. *The report of the Director Planning and Environment be received.***
- 2. *Council does not object to the Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project.***
- 3. *To ensure that community impact is minimised, Council makes the following submission to DPIE in relation to the Gunlake Continuation Project EIS:-***

**a) *Matters relating to the Transport Route***

***Noting for all the below submissions - that where Council requires a consultant to be engaged that any consultant be independent from Gunlake, funded by Gunlake and all scope of works undertaken by the independent consultant to be approved by the Councils General Manager before the engagements commences.***

- i. A structural assessment by an Independent appropriately qualified engineering consultant of all bridges and culverts be undertaken for proposed vehicles exceeding the current allowable load limit along the Primary Transport Route.***
- ii. Widening of bridges and culverts is required on the primary transport route to allow a consistent wide centre line treatment to be implemented.***
- iii. Gunlake fund and install a school bus stop on the road reserve in a safe location outside Johnniefields Quarry in accordance with Transport for NSW guidelines.***
- iv. An independent traffic consultant be engaged to investigate any lighting and/or delineation upgrade at all intersections along the primary transport route and if upgrades are warranted by the independent traffic consultant then those upgrades to be funded and installed by Gunlake***
- v. The intersection of the Brayton Road and Ambrose Road intersection should be assessed to ensure it meets the relevant Austroads Guidelines,***
- vi. The sight distance be reviewed at the intersection of Red Hills Road and Ambrose Road for vehicles existing Red Hills Road. If improvements are identified by the review they be implemented in accordance with Austroads Guidelines.***

- vii. *The speed limit for the Primary haulage route should be reduced to 80kmh for all vehicles. It is noted that the applicant, Council, the Gunlake Community Consultative Committee and the Local Member of Parliament have all previously endorsed and advocated for this outcome.*
  - viii. *Minimum 3m trafficable clear zones should be installed for the full length of the Primary Haulage route – with the exception of bridges, culverts and other area agreed by the General Manager where it is impracticable to do so - and be constructed in line with Austroads guidelines for heavy vehicle use.*
  - ix. *The actions identified in the Road Safety Assessment Report for the Primary Transport Route be implemented*
  - x. *A pavement assessment report by independent geotechnical consultant be commissioned to investigate the integrity of the existing pavement and to determine if the pavement will achieve a ten (10) year pavement life with the projected heavy traffic volumes.*
  - xi. *Prior to the transportation of more than 220,000 tonnes per calendar month of quarry product from the site, the applicant must complete all transport route upgrade to Council's satisfaction.*
  - xii. *Detailed road work plans which outline the extent of works to be undertaken, including any supportive calculations, modelling, and geotechnical investigations, shall be submitted to Council for approval in accordance with Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993.*
- b) Matters relating to the Operation of the Quarry**
- i. *Council request that DPIE engage an independent acoustic consultant to review the contents of the Noise Impact Assessment that forms part of the EIS so as to ensure its adequacy, and to ensure that suitable conditions of consent are imposed.*
  - ii. *Council request DPIE to consider the inclusion of a condition of consent that restricts the use of engine brakes on the entire secondary transport route, and also in the vicinity of the Brayton Road/Ambrose Road intersection.*
  - iii. *Council request that DPIE engage an independent professional to review the contents of the Air Quality Impact Assessment so as to ensure its adequacy, and to ensure that suitable conditions of consent are imposed.*
- c) Matters relating to Developer Contributions**
- i. *Council requires a condition of consent that s7.11 contributions be applied in accordance with the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2021. The current rate as adopted in Council's fees and charges for 2021/22 for developments involving heavy vehicle movements on local and regional roads is \$0.05090 per tonne per km; and*
- 4. *In the event the DPIE fail to implement a condition to introduce a condition on contributions in accordance with Paragraph 2 c) i then Council enter into a Planning Agreement with Gunlake Quarries Ltd in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.4 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.***

If you require any further information, please contact me on (02) 4823 4480.

Yours sincerely



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