# **Department of Planning and Environment**



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Subject: Birriwa Solar Farm (SSD-29508870) - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Dear Javier Cannon

I refer to your request for advice sent on 12 October 2022 to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) Water about the above matter.

The project involves the development, construction and operation of a solar PV electricity generation facility and Batter Energy Storage System, which consists of PV modules, trackers, batteries, inverters, transformers and associated infrastructure.

The following recommendations are provided by DPE Water in Attachment A. In particular we require additional information to confirm that the tributary of Whites Creek on Lot 30 DP750755 includes a 30m buffer.

Should you have any further queries in relation to this submission please do not hesitate to contact DPE Water Assessments water.assessments@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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#### Attachment A

# Detailed advice to DPE Planning & Assessment regarding the Birriwa Solar Farm (SSD-29508870)

## 1.0 Setback requirements and post approval plans

#### 1.1 Recommendation - Prior to determination

That the proponent ensure a setback has been provided for all third order watercourses within the site in accordance with the Guidelines for Controlled Activities on Waterfront Land.

## 1.2 Recommendation - Post approval

That the proponent prepare a Soil and Water Management Plan and an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan in accordance with industry standards including the guideline: Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction (Lancom 2004).

## 1.3 Explanation

It is unclear form the information provided if the tributary of Whites Creek on Lot 30 DP750755 also has the 30m buffer provided. This setback should be provided in accordance with the Guidelines for Controlled Activities on Waterfront Land – Riparian Corridors.

**End Attachment A**