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26/11/2021

Dear Mr Thiedeke

**Tinda Creek Quarry (SSD-4978)
Biodiversity Offset Extension Request**

I refer to your letter dated 27 September 2021 regarding an extension of time to secure the biodiversity offset area as required under condition 16 of Schedule 3 for Tinda Creek Quarry.

I acknowledge your request for an extension of time to secure the biodiversity offset area and to seek approval that a Conservation Agreement is an appropriate mechanism to secure the land.

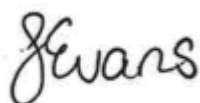
Regarding your request for an extension of time, I note that you have been in discussions with the Biodiversity Conservation and Sciences Directorate (BCD) and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) regarding suitability mechanisms. During this time, it is acknowledged that you have been managing the area in the accordance with the conditions of consent.

Accordingly, I grant an extension of time until 29 April 2022 to secure the biodiversity offset area.

Regarding your request about a Conservation Agreement, there is no longer provision under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* to establish a Conservation Agreement. Accordingly, you must seek an alternative method to secure the land. Given the land is adjacent to the National Park estate its addition to the estate is a logical method for securitisation, however it is not the only method that can be pursued. I encourage you to continue to talk with BCD and NPWS to find an appropriate solution.

If you have any questions, please contact Carl Dumpleton at carl.dumpleton@planning.nsw.gov.au or on 9274 6283.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Secretary