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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Acronym	Description
ACHAR	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report
ACHMP	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan
AHIP	Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit
ATSIHP Act	<i>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984</i>
CEMP	Construction Environment Management Plan
EP&A Act	<i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i>
EPBC Act	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>
ERM	Environmental Resources Management Australia Pty Ltd
DPHI	Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure
IHO	Interim Heritage Order
LALC	Local Aboriginal Land Council
NPW Act	<i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974</i>
NSW	New South Wales
RNE	Register of National Estate
SSD	State Significant Development
UFP	Unexpected Finds Protocol

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Pottinger Renewables would like to acknowledge and respect the traditions of the Wamba Wamba, Perrepa Perrepa, Nari Nari and Wiradjuri peoples and respect their continued special relationship with the land and water of the area. We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we plan to develop the project, where we work and live and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE OF THIS UNEXPECTED HERITAGE FINDS PROTOCOL

Heritage within New South Wales is protected under a range of legislative frameworks, and it is the responsibility of proponents of development to ensure compliance with this legislation.

This Unexpected Finds Protocol (UFP) for NSW has been developed for Pottinger Renewables (Pottinger), as a procedure to inform users how to manage heritage items that are unexpectedly discovered during works in NSW by both Pottinger employees and contractors on behalf of Pottinger. This procedure has been developed to address Pottinger's compliance to state frameworks including:

- *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Commonwealth);
- *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* (Commonwealth);
- *NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NSW);
- *Native Title Act 1994* (NSW);
- *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (NSW);
- *Heritage Act 1977* (NSW); and
- *NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act).

This UFP includes project activities for the Pottinger Wind Farm undertaken under the EP&A Act (within NSW).

1.2 SCOPE

The primary purpose of this UFP is to inform Pottinger employees and contractors about the potential for the discovery of heritage items and the protocol that should follow as per standard industry practice.

This UFP will:

- Set out steps to be taken and chain of notification to follow for, Aboriginal cultural heritage, historic heritage and human remains;
- Provide detailed management options around site protection; and
- Outline requirements for recording, and communication with regulatory authorities.

This UFP may be updated when included as part of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (ACHMP).

2. LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

New South Wales land managed or impacted by activity within Pottinger’s remit will be affected by a number of statutory controls for the planning and management of heritage and archaeological resources. *Table 2.1* summarises relevant Commonwealth legislation, while *Table 2.2* summarises the key NSW legislation for heritage management.

TABLE 2.1 COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATION

COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATION	
Legislation	Description
<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	The <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (EPBC Act; as amended 2004) provides the framework for the Commonwealth Government's environmental legislation. The EPBC Act outlines a legal framework for the protection and management of nationally and internationally important flora, fauna, ecological communities and heritage places. Several heritage listings were established under the EPBC Act including the Commonwealth Heritage List (CHL), National Heritage List (NHL), and Register of National Estate (RNE) (now repealed).
<i>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984</i>	<p>The <i>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984</i> (ATSIHP Act) assists in the protection of places, areas, and objects that 'are of particular significance to Aboriginals in accordance with Aboriginal tradition'.</p> <p>The ATSIHP Act is designed to deal with Aboriginal cultural property (intangible heritage), which are not currently protected under the NSW <i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974</i> (NPW Act).</p> <p>The Commonwealth Minister can make declarations to protect these areas and objects from specific threats of injury or desecration. The responsible Minister may make a declaration under Section 10 of the ATSIHP Act in situations where state or territory laws do not provide adequate protection of intangible heritage.</p> <p>While no formal database of Section 10 applications or declarations is publicly available, this information is registered in gazettal notices within the Federal Register of Legislation.</p>

TABLE 2.2 NSW LEGISLATION

NSW LEGISLATION	
Legislation	Description
<i>NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i>	<p>The EP&A Act regulates a system of environmental planning and assessment for NSW. Land use planning requires that environmental impacts, including those on cultural heritage, must be considered when making decisions about the future of a place.</p> <p>As the Project involves development for the purpose of "electricity generating works" using wind power and will have an estimated development cost of more than \$30 million, the Project is State Significant Development (SSD) and subject to the planning assessment pathway under Part 4 of the EP&A Act. Sections 4.41 and 4.42 of the EP&A Act outline authorisations that are not applicable to SSDs.</p>

NSW LEGISLATION

<p><i>NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974</i></p>	<p>Part 6 of the NPW Act provides specific protection for Aboriginal objects and places by making it an offence to destroy, deface, damage, or move them from the land. All Aboriginal objects within NSW are protected under Part 6, and particularly Section 90, of the NPW Act. Under Section 5 of the NPW Act, "Aboriginal Object" means any deposit, object, or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Indigenous habitation of the area that comprises NSW, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by persons of non-Aboriginal extraction and includes Aboriginal remains. Under Section 86 of the NPW Act, a person who, without first obtaining the consent of the Director-General, knowingly harms or desecrates an Aboriginal object or Aboriginal place is guilty of an offence. In most circumstances, it is required that an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) be obtained for any impact to an Aboriginal object or place. Heritage NSW is the responsible authority, with the Director General of that department the consent authority. As an SDD, an AHIP under Section 90 of the NPW Act is not required for the Project (in accordance with Section 4.41 of the EP&A Act).</p> <p>Sites of traditional significance that do not necessarily contain archaeological materials may be gazetted as 'Aboriginal places' and are protected under Section 84 of the NPW Act. This protection applies to all sites, regardless of their significance or land tenure.</p>
<p><i>Heritage Act 1977</i></p>	<p>The <i>Heritage Act 1977</i> (Heritage Act) protects the cultural and natural history of NSW with emphasis on historic (non-Aboriginal) heritage items, including places, buildings, works, relics, moveable objects, precincts, historic shipwrecks and archaeological sites of State or local significance. Protection is provided through provisions of the Heritage Act and the establishment of a Heritage Council and State Heritage Register (SHR).</p> <p>The SHR is maintained by Heritage NSW and includes a diverse range of over 1500 items, in both private and public ownership. To be listed, an item must be deemed to be of heritage significance for the whole of NSW. Listing on the SHR controls activities such as alteration, damage, demolition and development. When a place is listed on the SHR, the approval of the Heritage Council of NSW is required or any major work. The Heritage Council is empowered to place Interim Heritage Orders (IHO) on an item of potential state significance.</p> <p>As an SDD, an approval under Part 4 or an excavation permit under Section 139 of the Heritage Act is not required for the Project (in accordance with Section 4.41 of the EP&A Act). Division 8 of Part 6 of the Heritage Act does not apply to prevent or interfere with the carrying out of SSD.</p>

2.1 ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE

Aboriginal cultural heritage is protected under the EPBC Act, ATSIHP Act and NPW Act. Under State and Commonwealth legislation it is the obligation of the proponent of development to mitigate the risk of harm to Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Section 5 of the NPW Act defines Aboriginal objects (Aboriginal cultural heritage) as:

any deposit, object or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises New South Wales, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by persons of non Aboriginal extraction, and includes Aboriginal remains.

Examples of Aboriginal objects include stone tools, shell middens, axe grinding grooves, pigment or engraved rock art, burials and scarred trees. All Aboriginal objects are protected under law, regardless of their significance. Section 89 of the NPW Act stipulates that when a person becomes aware of an Aboriginal object, they must notify the Department of Premier and Cabinet Secretary about its location.

2.1.1 ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT PATHWAY

A number of methods can be utilised to determine and manage the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW. These can include the following:

- Aboriginal Due Diligence Assessment (ADDA);
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR); and
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (ACHMP).

A qualified Heritage Advisor should be consulted to determine the requirements for any of the above protection and management measures. Further information on each of these methodologies can be found on the Environment and Heritage website below:

[Heritage | Environment and Heritage \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritage)

Any unexpected heritage finds revealed during project activities for the Pottinger Wind Farm will be managed through the approved ACHMP.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF THE UFP

A UFP cannot be used in place of, or in the absence of, an ACHAR should there be a mandatory requirement for an ACHAR to be prepared under the NPW Act. A voluntary ACHAR may be prepared should the risk of harming heritage be considered likely by the proposed activity. It must be noted that harm to cultural heritage, known or unknown, is an offence under section 86 'Harming or desecrating Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal Places', of the NPW Act.

Pottinger is responsible for seeking any risk associated with potential harm to unknown Aboriginal cultural heritage within any proposed works areas.

This UFP can be utilised for the management of unidentified heritage items that may be discovered during Pottinger project works.

2.2 HISTORIC HERITAGE

Historic heritage is protected under the *Heritage Act 1977*. Historic heritage items can comprise of the following:

- Archaeological 'relics';
- Built heritage;
- Archaeological places; and
- Underwater heritage (shipwreck or aircraft crash sites).

Historic Heritage pertains to non-Aboriginal features such as works, structures, buildings or moveable objects. They may pertain to the earliest non-Aboriginal visitation and settlement in NSW, and contact between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people. These are diverse heritage resource sites that contain evidence of past domestic, industrial or agricultural activities, such as (as they may relate to the Project Area):

- The establishment and growth of towns and settlements;
- Evidence of early pastoral and agricultural land use;
- Evidence of early mining;
- Sites of early industry, like sawmills and dairies;
- Linear infrastructure such as road, bridges, and rail;
- Former commercial sites like pubs, general stores, dentists, haberdasheries and furniture stores; and
- Former residential sites such as homesteads, cottages, and outbuildings.

2.2.1 HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL RELICS

The Heritage Act protects historical heritage items, meaning places, buildings, works, relics, moveable objects or precincts. In Section 4, the Heritage Act defines relics as:

any deposit, artefact, object or material evidence that –

(a) relates to the settlement of an area that comprises New South Wales, not being Aboriginal settlement, and

(b) is of State or local heritage significance.

A historical archaeological site is a place that contains buried evidence and provides information about past activity and requires archaeological methods to reveal information about the place and isn't associated only with Aboriginal use.

Historical archaeological sites might include features like:

- Building foundations or post holes;
- Buried items like old bottles, ceramics, clay pipes, toys; and
- Kitchen scraps like bones or shells.

The State Heritage Register (SHR) is a list of known heritage sites in the state; however many archaeological sites have not yet been discovered or recorded. The SHR was established under Section 22 of the Heritage Act and is a list of places and objects of particular importance to the people of NSW, including archaeological sites.

2.2.2 HISTORIC HERITAGE PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT PATHWAYS

The Heritage Council of NSW maintains a database of the state significant heritage places that are protected under state law, while local heritage is managed by local government. Local heritage must also be considered when preparing a plan of works. The management of these properties/historic heritage sites may include the following measures:

- Historic Heritage Due Diligences;
- Statement of Heritage Impact;
- Historical Archaeological Impact Assessment;
- Archaeological Management Plans; and
- Conservation Management Plans.

A qualified Heritage Advisor should be consulted regarding the requirements for any of the above protection and management measures. Further information on the management of historic heritage can be found on the Environment and Heritage website below:

[Heritage | Environment and Heritage \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritage)

2.2.3 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF THE UFP

Pottinger is responsible for understanding the requirements associated with the discovery of unknown historical archaeology within the proposed works area.

3. TYPES OF UNEXPECTED HERITAGE ITEMS AND THEIR LEGAL PROTECTION – DETAILED PROCEDURES

The NSW UFP applies to three types of discoveries:

- Aboriginal objects.
- Historic (non-Aboriginal) heritage items.
- Human skeletal remains.

The specific applicable procedure for each type of discovery is outlined below.

3.1 ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE

To date, a total of 114 Aboriginal heritage sites are present within the Wind Farm Project Area, two sites are present within the Hay component of the Transport Route, and no sites have been recorded within the Broken Hill component of the Transport Route.

This UFP relates to those areas outside of the extents of the previously identified sites within the Wind Farm and Transport Route Project Areas. As such, should suspected Aboriginal cultural heritage sites or materials be discovered in areas outside of previously registered site extents, these would be defined as unexpected finds.

3.1.1 DISCOVERY

If any suspected Aboriginal cultural heritage sites or materials (or suspected sites or materials) are discovered during earthworks, development operations or similar activities within the Project Area, the following procedure is to be followed:

- Stop work – any person that observes or uncovers potential Aboriginal heritage objects during the works must notify machinery operators immediately. All activity in the immediate area should cease;
- Notify Heritage NSW immediately. The relevant Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) for the area (being Hay LALC and Deniliquin LALC for the Wind Farm Project) and any other relevant RAPs should be notified and consulted, as well as an appropriately qualified heritage professional (archaeologist) if required;
NOTE: if the find is suspected to be Human Remains the Project Manager or Project Director will contact the State Police who may then take control of the site and any further investigation (refer to Section 3.3).
- Protect the site – the location should be cordoned off as an exclusion zone with visible flagging, so that no further disturbance occurs. Flagging should be placed at a 10 m radius surrounding the find;
- *If suspected Human Remains are located:* Any sand/soils removed must be identified and set aside for assessment by the investigating authorities;
- Assess the find - a heritage professional should record the location, nature and extent of the site and determine its significance; and
- Record/salvage the find - a management plan should be developed for the find, that is subject to consultation and approval from the local LALC and RAPs. This procedure should be submitted to Heritage NSW for approval by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) prior to completion of any proposed management or mitigation measures being undertaken.

3.1.2 NOTIFICATION

- Any Pottinger project team member (including contractors) must notify a Pottinger Environment team member upon discovery of any suspected Aboriginal cultural heritage, excluding human remains;
- Refer to *Section 4* for further guidance on notification process.

3.1.3 RESUMPTION OF WORKS

- Works will only recommence once the management procedure has been completed and approved by DPHI; and
- For suspected Human Remains: refer to *Section 3.3*.

3.2 HISTORIC HERITAGE

To date, no historic heritage items have been identified within the Wind Farm and Transport Route Project Areas. The historical archaeological potential of the Wind Farm Project Area was assessed as low.

3.2.1 DISCOVERY

If any suspected historical archaeology, is uncovered or identified:

- Stop work – any person that observes or uncovers potential historic heritage objects during the works must notify machinery operators immediately. All activity in the immediate area should cease;
- The 'stop works' area around the suspected historic must be fenced off using appropriate temporary fencing and protected from further disturbance; "no-go zone" signage must be attached to the fencing at all times to prevent the area being disturbed further;
- Contact an appropriately qualified heritage professional (archaeologist) to assess the find;
- Complete a preliminary assessment and recording of the find – should the item be identified as a relic or heritage item, the archaeologist should formally record the finds. Heritage NSW would be notified via telephone informally at this stage;
- An archaeological or heritage management plan should be prepared by the archaeologist in consultation with Heritage NSW;
- A formal notification will be prepared at this stage and submitted to Heritage NSW along with the archaeological or heritage management plan and a site recording form, if required; and
- The archaeological or heritage management plan should be modified according to advice from Heritage NSW and DPHI. The plan will then be implemented. Where impact to the heritage item is expected, implementation of the plan may include formal assessment of significance and heritage impact assessment, preparation of excavation, or obtaining further heritage approvals.

3.2.2 NOTIFICATION

- Any Pottinger project team member (including contractors) must notify a Pottinger Environment team member upon discovery of any suspected historic heritage items, excluding human remains.

3.2.3 RESUMPTION OF WORKS

- The Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP) will be updated according to advice within the final heritage management plan, if required. Changes should be included in site inductions and toolbox talks; and
- Resumption of works will take place once written clearance is provided by the archaeologist and Heritage NSW, if required.

3.3 HUMAN REMAINS

The below procedure for the handling of human remains follows the content and processes outlined in Transport for NSW's *Unexpected Heritage Finds and Human remains Procedure* (Transport NSW 2022). The procedure follows in accordance with CoA E61, CoA E62, the *Skeletal Remains – Guidelines for the Management of Human Skeletal Remains under the Heritage Act 1977* (NSW Heritage Office 1998) and the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Standards and Guidelines Kit* (NPWS 1997).

3.3.1 DISCOVERY

- Stop work – any person that observes or uncovers potential human remains during the works must notify machinery operators immediately. All activity in the immediate area should cease;
- The 'stop works' area around the suspected human remains must be fenced off using appropriate temporary fencing and protected from further disturbance; "no-go zone" signage must be attached to the fencing at all times to prevent the area being disturbed further;
- A suitably qualified forensic or physical anthropologist must identify the bones as human or non-human as soon as possible; and
- An archaeologist should assess the bones, their likely ancestry (Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal), and the burial context (archaeological or forensic).

3.3.2 NOTIFICATION

- If the bones are confirmed as human remains, contact NSW Police immediately. The remains are presumed associated with a potential crime until confirmed as Aboriginal or historic; and
- Notify Heritage NSW when human remains are found.

3.3.3 PROJECT REDESIGN OR RESUMPTION OF WORKS

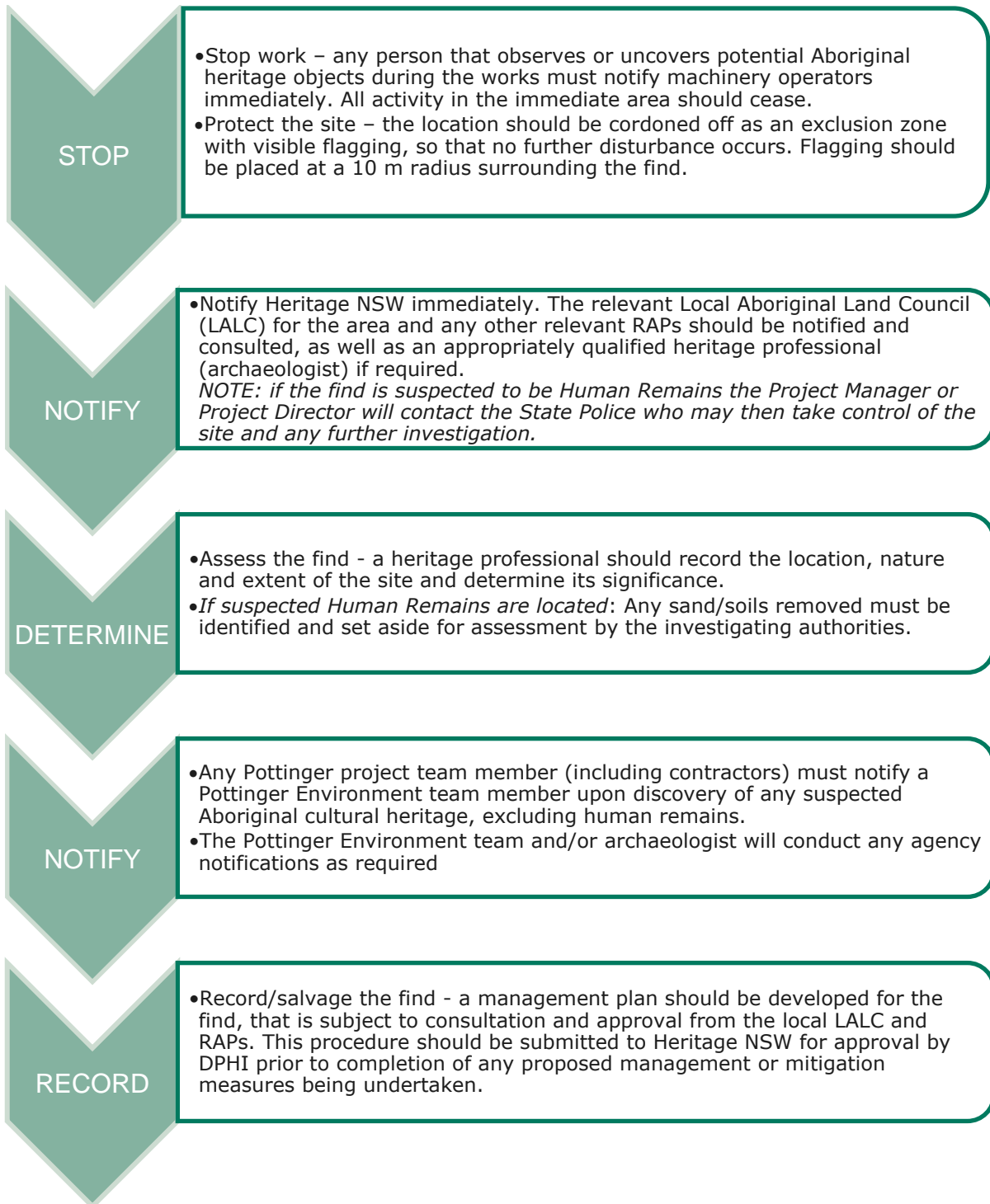
- Once the bones are identified, provide results to Heritage NSW and RAPs if identified as Aboriginal. Consultation must continue until a management plan is finalised;
- Due to the highly significant nature of Aboriginal Ancestral Remains, avoidance is recommended; consideration should be made for conservation through project redesign; and
- Should project redesign not be considered possible, a written request to resume works should be provided to the Heritage NSW and the registered RAPs. Works may only resume if written clearance is provided by the archaeologist, Heritage NSW and registered RAPs.

4. PROCEDURE SUMMARY GUIDES

The following procedural overviews provide flowchart plans for the unexpected discovery of Aboriginal cultural heritage, historic heritage, and human remains in NSW.

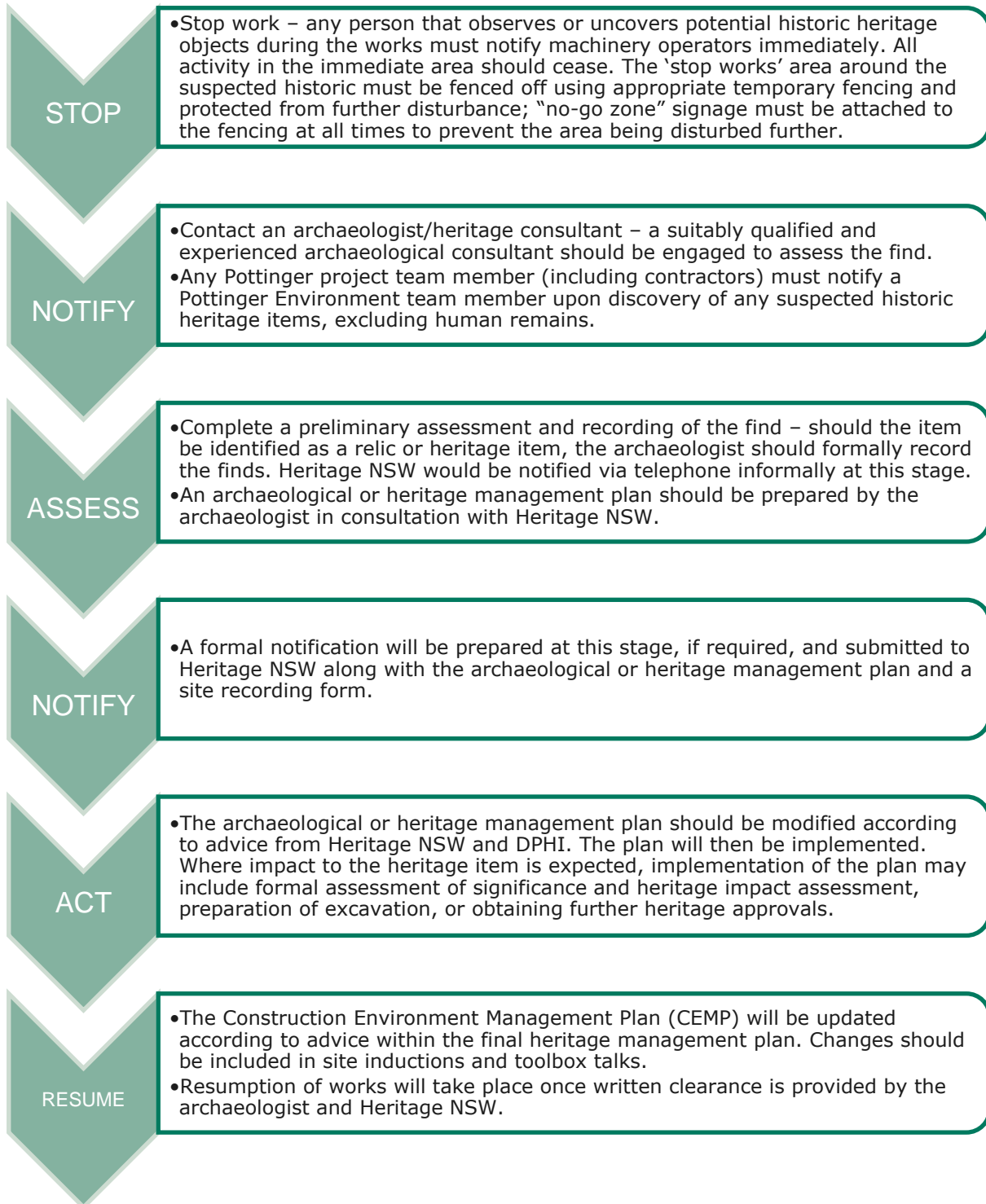
These are quick reference, user-friendly flow diagrams that summarise the information in this UFP, to be used by Pottinger project staff and their contractors.

4.1 UNEXPECTED FINDS PROTOCOL 1: DISCOVERY OF ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE

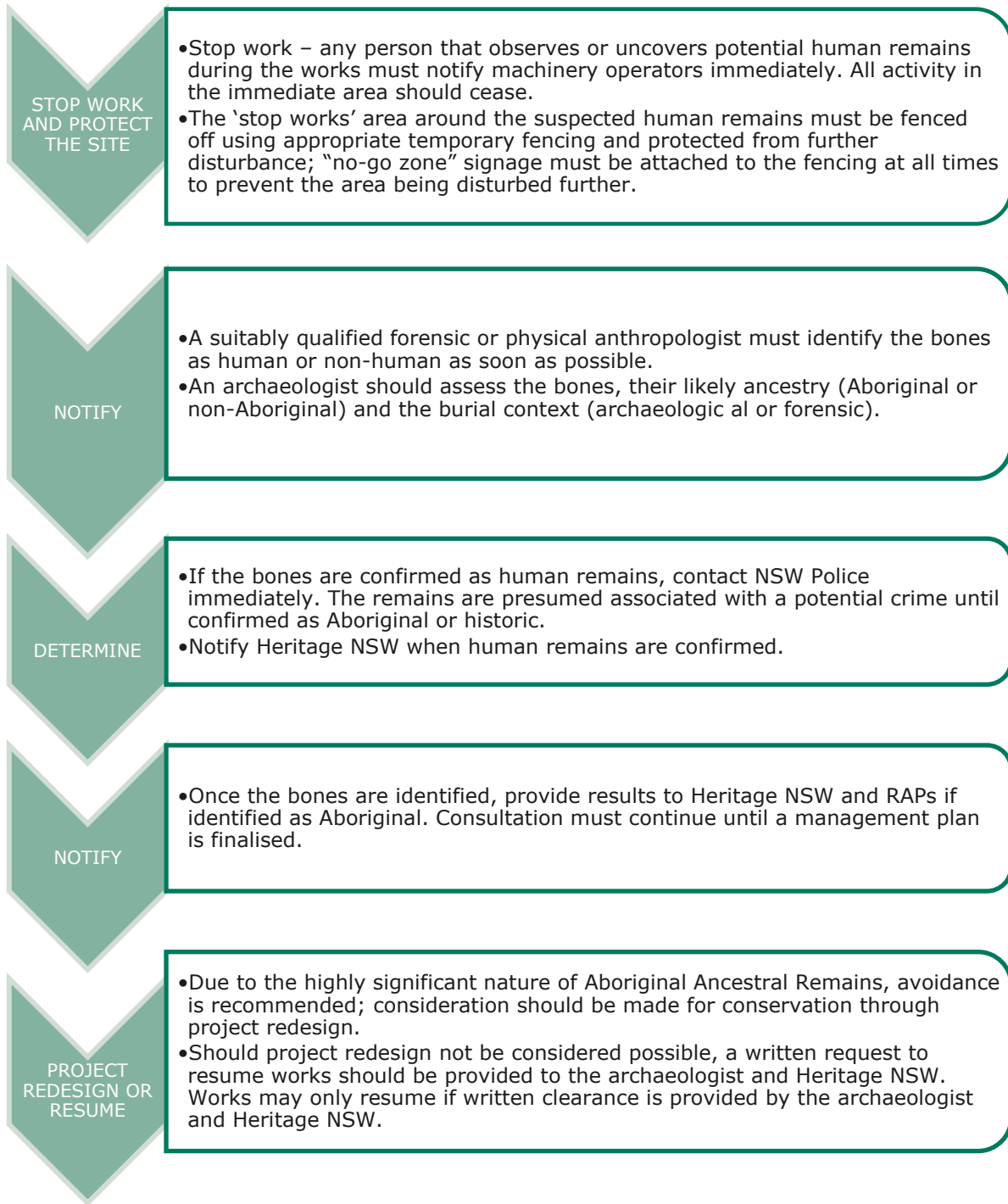


4.2 UNEXPECTED FINDS PROTOCOL 2: HISTORIC HERITAGE

In the event of the suspected discovery of Historic Heritage during Pottinger activities, these steps must be followed:



4.3 UNEXPECTED FINDS PROTOCOL 3: DISCOVERY OF HUMAN REMAINS



5. REFERENCES

National Parks and Wildlife Service NSW (1997) Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Standards and Guidelines Kit.

NSW Heritage Office (1998) Skeletal remains – Guidelines for the Management of Human Skeletal Remains under the Heritage Act 1977.

Office of Environment and Heritage (2010a) Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirement for proponents.

Office of Environment and Heritage (2010b) Code of practice for the archaeological investigation of Aboriginal objects in NSW.

Office of Environment and Heritage (2011) Guide to investigating, assessing and reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW.

The Government of NSW 1974, National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 No 80.

The Government of NSW 1977, Heritage Act 1977 No 136.

Transport for NSW (2022) Unexpected Heritage Finds and Human Remains Procedure – M1 Pacific Motorway Extension to Raymond Terrace.



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APPENDIX A CONSULTATION

CONSULTATION LOG – POTTINGER WIND FARM – UNEXPECTED FINDS PROCEDURE

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Comments on Draft Report						
18/09/2024	Email	██████████	ERM	██████████ ██████████	Moama Local Aboriginal Land Council	██████████ responded and requested clarification on the project. ██████████ responded and provided clarification.
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I am reaching out to provide you with the Draft Unexpected Heritage Finds Protocol recently developed for the Pottinger Wind Farm project. This was drafted in response to the Agency Advice Letter from Heritage NSW received on 5 June 2024, containing the following request:

5. A procedure for the management of unexpected Aboriginal objects and human remains must be developed in consultation with the RAPs and Heritage NSW. The procedure must be prepared in accordance with Heritage NSW guidelines and codes of practice.

Please note that this afternoon the Draft UFP was issued to all registered RAPs for the Pottinger Wind Farm, and associated transport route. The close of the 28-day review period will be 15 October.

Should you have any feedback on the Draft UFP, could this please be provided prior to 15 October so that we can smoothly finalise our report after RAP review?

Many thanks,



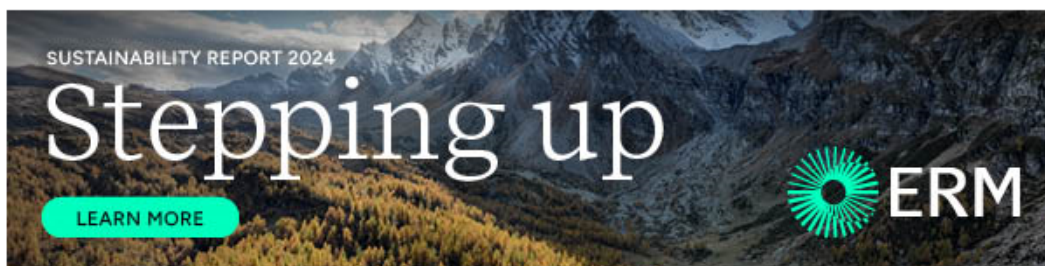
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Email
Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2024 4:55:15 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi [REDACTED]

Can you please provide your phone number? I can call you tomorrow to discuss.

Thanks,
Victoria

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 4:48:48 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Email

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I am the CEO off YYNAC
Please call me to clarify
Thanks [REDACTED]

On Wed, 18 Sep 2024 at 4:25 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

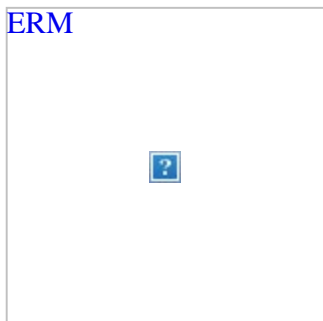
Hi [REDACTED]

The emails that I sent yesterday and today relate to the Pottinger Wind Farm, near Hay. You were contact as you are a registered RAP for the project.

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Hi I'm a bit confused but your email

Wind Farm ? What wind Farm

Thanks [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Review - Draft Pottinger Transport Route ACHAR & Unexpected Finds Procedure
Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2024 8:57:09 AM
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[image007.jpg](#)
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EXTERNAL MESSAGE

Thanks for that.

On Wed, 18 Sep 2024, 8:34 am [REDACTED] wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED]

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Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 3:24 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Review - Draft Pottinger Transport Route ACHAR & Unexpected Finds Procedure

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Review - Draft Pottinger Transport Route ACHAR & Unexpected Finds Procedure
Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2024 9:47:29 AM
Attachments: [image004.png](#)
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[image006.png](#)
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EXTERNAL MESSAGE

Thank you [REDACTED] I will check them out.

On Wed, 18 Sep 2024 at 8:30 AM, [REDACTED] wrote:

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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Review - Draft Pottinger Transport Route ACHAR & Unexpected Finds Procedure
Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2024 11:30:45 AM
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EXTERNAL MESSAGE

Thanks Victoria I have access will forward any comments thank you

On Wed, 18 Sept 2024, 8:31 am [REDACTED] wrote:

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From:



Subject:

Re: Review - Draft Pottinger Transport Route ACHAR & Unexpected Finds Procedure

Date:

Thursday, 19 September 2024 10:18:28 AM

Attachments:

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EXTERNAL MESSAGE

Thanks, I'll check them out.




Yarkuwa Indigenous Knowledge Centre

Aboriginal Corporation



We acknowledge that we live and work on Aboriginal land

On Wed, 18 Sept 2024 at 08:35,  wrote:

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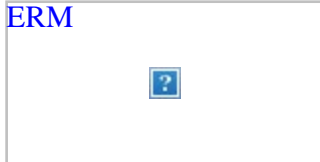
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