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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Glendenning Road Data Centre (SSD-73761707)**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Glendenning Road Data Centre (SSD-73761707). The proposed development is adjacent to the Woodstock Ave Glendenning entrance to Western Sydney Parklands. Covering 5,280 hectares and stretching over 27 km north to south, Western Sydney Parklands is Australia's largest urban park and is managed by Greater Sydney Parklands for the growing western Sydney community.

The proposed development is located adjacent to the Nurragingy Precinct of Western Sydney Parklands, to an environmental conservation area containing a threatened ecological community, and to the Parklands track, a key north-south active transport connection through the park.

Recommendations for the Department's consideration are provided at Attachment A. The recommendations focus on:

- protection and conservation of the adjacent environmental conservation area
- ensuring appropriate landscape setting and context for the adjacent Parklands Track
- addressing ongoing maintenance implications of the proposal to the Parklands
- facilitating enjoyment of the amenity of the Parklands by the local community.

We look forward to continued collaboration to support development that complements the parklands and ensures positive visitor experiences and activation into the future. Please contact Paula Tomkins at [paula.tomkins@gsp.nsw.gov.au](mailto:paula.tomkins@gsp.nsw.gov.au) or 0418 967 392 if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely,

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## ATTACHMENT A

### Stormwater drainage

While the site is in a location that is exempt from stormwater detention under Council's controls, further information is requested on the existing and future quantity and quality of overland flow to avoid impacts on Western Sydney Parklands.

### Landscape Plan

It is recommended that the Landscape Plan is updated to align with species that will enhance the Parklands, extend the Parkland character and soften development impacts, conserve and protect the adjoining environmental conservation area. The attached GSP Species List for Western Sydney Parklands provides alternative species for use in landscaping for the proposal, particularly the 'CPW and Shale Gravel' species list (first tab in the attached Excel sheet). Specific recommendations are:

- Replace the proposed evergreen screening species with Cumberland Plain Woodland species that are suitable for screening such as *Exocarpus* or *Melaleuca* sp.
- Amend the planting schedule to
  - remove species that are not Cumberland Plain Woodland species including *Melaleuca armillaris*, *Lissanthe strigose*, *Pimelia curviflora* var. *curviflora* and *Austrostipa setacea* (the latter could be replaced with *Austrostipa ramosissima*).
  - Reduce quantity or remove *Lomandra longifolia* and *Dianella longifolia* as these species are not dominant Cumberland Plain Woodland species.
  - Remove the following species that become invasive
    - *Pennisetum alopecuroides* proposed as part of the swale planting. This could be replaced by *Carex appressa*
    - *Cupaniopsis anacardioides*
- Consider removing *Syncarpia glomulifera* as it's unlikely to grow true to form in this area due to the heavy clay soils
- Reconsider the species proposed for the planting beds within the development and on the western boundary to be in keeping with the remainder of site landscaping, preferably using species from the Cumberland Plain Woodland species list.

