



# Department of Industry

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Dear Mr Hay

**New Catholic College (SSD 8989)  
Comment on the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs)**

I refer to the email of 15 December 2017 to the Department of Industry in respect to the above matter. Comment has been sought from relevant branches of Crown Lands & Water and Department of Primary Industries.

Any further referrals to Department of Industry can be sent by email to [landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au).

The department has reviewed the Preliminary Environmental Assessment and accompanying draft SEARs and provides the following recommendation:

- The SEARs should include a section titled **Water**, including the following requirements:
  - Assessment of any volumetric water requirements (including those for ongoing water use requirements following completion of the project).
  - Assessment of impacts on surface and ground water sources (both quality and quantity), related infrastructure, adjacent licensed water users, basic landholder rights, watercourses, riparian land, and groundwater dependent ecosystems, and measures proposed to reduce and mitigate these impacts.
  - Proposed surface and ground water monitoring activities and methodologies.
  - Identification of any excavation works, maximum depth of excavations and depth of groundwater.
  - Consideration of relevant policies and guidelines, including the [Guidelines for controlled activities on waterfront land \(2012\)](#) and [NSW Aquifer Interference Policy \(2012\)](#).

Yours sincerely

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