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Our Ref: 4965/NR/AO/16062020

16 June 2020

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment methodology – proposed development associated with the John Hunter Health and Innovation Project**

Planning has recently begun on the NSW Government's \$780 million John Hunter Health and Innovation Precinct (JHHIP) that will deliver an expansion to the John Hunter and John Hunter Children's Hospitals.

Health Infrastructure have engaged Umwelt Environmental and Social Consultants (Umwelt) to prepare the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) as part of the preparation works for a State Significant Development application. We are writing to provide you with the draft methodology for the ACHA for your review and comment.

The planning pathway for the project is an application under Part 4, Division 4.1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The ACHA will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NPW Act), the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009* (NPW Regulation), the *Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW* (Office of Environment and Heritage [OEH] 2011), the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water [DECCW] 2010) (the consultation requirements) and the *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (the Code of Practice).

## **1.0 Description of the Project**

In June 2019, the NSW Budget 2019/20 confirmed a significant expansion of the John Hunter Hospital with the \$780 million commitment to the JHHIP project.

The JHHIP will deliver updated and enhanced facilities providing additional capacity to meet the demand of the Greater Newcastle, Hunter New England, and northern NSW Regions. The JHHIP will enable a more integrated service encouraging partnership with key health, education and research partners from within and beyond the immediate region. The project will include the development of clinical and non-clinical services infrastructure to expand, integrate, enhance and optimise current capacity at the John Hunter Hospital Campus (JHHC) to provide contemporary patient centred care that is evidence based.

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The John Hunter Hospital Campus (JHHC) is located in New Lambton Heights in Newcastle and is situated 9 kilometres to the west of Newcastle CBD. The Hospital is located on Lookout Road and there are two entrances providing access to the JHHC from Lookout Road. The primary access is known as Kookaburra Circuit and connects to the internal road network via a major signalised intersection on Lookout Road. The secondary access is known as Jacaranda Drive and connects to the internal road network via a signalised intersection on Lookout Road.

The lot boundaries in which the project area is located are shown in **Figure 1**, with the current footprint and maximum footprint shown in **Figure 2**. The proposed redevelopment consists of Lot 9 and 11 DP 826092, Lot 41 DP 1176191, Lot 202 1176551, Lots 1 and 2 DP 1228246. Please note that the current footprint (highlighted in blue) is subject to further development of the concept design and may change, however is unlikely to extend beyond the maximum footprint (shaded red) in **Figure 2**.

To date a Precinct Master Plan Report has been completed which provides a framework for the Redevelopment Project. The Master Plan addresses specific issues such as the significant population pressure on the campus as one of the busiest hospitals in NSW, the unique sloping bushland site, car parking needs and easing existing traffic congestion by harnessing additional access points as a result of the Inner-city bypass to ultimately create an inspiring environment for patients, visitors, researchers, staff and the community.

The planning pathway for the project involves the preparation of a stage State Significant Development Application (SSDA), and comprises the following components:

- a) Stage 1 – Concept and Enabling Works (concept envelope height / Gross Floor Area / massing and likely utility adjustments and improvements to precinct internal road network); and
- b) Stage 2 – Main Works (new acute services building).

This Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) will be undertaken in fulfillment of likely Aboriginal heritage requirements received in the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for both Stage 1 and Stage 2.

The following activities are deemed likely to impact the existing landscape, and are therefore discussed as part of this assessment:

- Road network upgrades
- Utility adjustments
- New building construction
- Equipment laydown areas
- Site compound establishment



## 2.0 Context of the Project Area

The Newcastle region has been intensively investigated in the last 10 years, due to the prevalence of modern development and mining practices. Much of this investigation has centred on the Newcastle foreshore area, known to contain significant Aboriginal archaeological deposits. However, less information is known about landforms similar to those identified within the project area. Of significance to this assessment is the archaeological investigation undertaken by Kelleher Nightingale Consultants (KNC 2018) for the Jesmond Bypass, which abuts the JHHIP project area on the western boundary. Based on this assessment, background research and an understanding of the local context, the following environmental contextual information is provided:

- The project area is located within the Lower Hunter Valley, a northern physiogeographic region of the Sydney Basin. The underlying geology of the project area comprises the Lambton Subgroup (northern extent of the project area) and the Adamstown Subgroup (southern extent and majority of the project area) of the Newcastle Coal Measures.
- The project area is entirely underlain by the Killingsworth Soil Landscape (including Variant A). The Killingsworth soil landscape can be described as undulating to rolling hills and low hills and is an erosional soil landscape (particularly susceptible to water erosion) which primarily comprises shallow (up to 60cm, on crests and hillslopes) to moderately deep (150cm, primarily in drainage lines) topsoil. This topsoil is made up of a brownish black pedal loam (A<sub>1</sub>, usually 5-25cm) that overlies a bleached hardsetting loamy sand to sandy clay loam (A<sub>2</sub>, usually 10-150cm). These topsoils generally overlie a pedal yellowish-brown clay (B horizon).
- Two waterways originate in the project area, these being Jesmond Creek (easternmost waterway) and an unnamed tributary of Flats Creek (potentially created through modern run off). Both of these creeklines are non-perennial and are considered to have a limited catchment area. Higher order watercourses in proximity to the project area include Dark Creek to the north, Ironbark Creek to the west and Styx Creek to the east.
- The project area has been subject to varying disturbances, both natural and human in origin. The construction of roads, utilities and structures in addition to historic mining, clearance of native vegetation, landscaping and natural process such as erosion has disturbed both subsurface deposits and removed old growth trees.

A summary of the archaeological contextual information is provided below:

- Aboriginal sites within the local context are most likely to be located on elevated area such as ridge lines or crests in close proximity to perennial watercourses. While areas further from perennial watercourses still retain the potential for Aboriginal objects or sites, these are likely to comprise isolated finds or low density artefact scatters and are generally considered lower significance.
- A search of the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) database has identified four Aboriginal sites within 1km of the project area. These are all associated with the KNC 2018 assessment of the Jesmond Bypass, and include two areas containing subsurface deposit. One surface isolated find is located within 100m of the NW corner of the project area.
- Should the project area contain evidence of Aboriginal occupation or use, this would likely come in the form of isolated finds or low density artefact scatters. While subsurface deposits are considered unlikely based on the landforms in the project area, should these be identified, similarly they are likely to contain low artefact densities.



The environmental and archaeological contextual information has been taken into consideration in developing the survey methodology that is provided in **Section 5**. Overall, it is anticipated that should the project area contain evidence of Aboriginal occupation, this would come in the form of isolated finds or low-density scatter upon eroded topsoils. As subsurface deposits are not anticipated across the project area, a pre-emptive methodology for test excavations under the Code of Practice has not been provided below. Should the archaeological survey result in the identification of subsurface deposits, a methodology for test excavation will be provided.

### **3.0 Methodology for the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage and Archaeological Assessment**

As discussed in **Section 1.0**, the consultation process will be undertaken in accordance with the consultation requirements (DECCW 2010). The proposed methodology for the ACHA (pending comments from registered Aboriginal parties) is as follows:

1. Provide information to all registered Aboriginal parties regarding the project, including a draft methodology for review and comment (this letter).
2. Provision of a review period during which Aboriginal parties can provide comment and propose amendments to the draft methodology (up to 28 days from receipt of this letter, with comments due by close of business **15 July 2020**).
3. Completion of a survey of the proposed impact areas in accordance with the draft methodology provided in this assessment (refer to **Section 4.0**).
4. Develop a draft ACHA report to include:
  - details of the project
  - a description of the potential impacts
  - full details of the registered Aboriginal party consultation process
  - the results of an Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) search and Native Title search
  - a review of the cultural context of the area that will draw heavily on information provided by registered Aboriginal parties and the results of previous cultural heritage and archaeological assessments undertaken in the area
  - a review of background information related to the environmental characteristics of the project area that may have influenced how Aboriginal people may have occupied/utilised the area and the likelihood of site survival
  - the preparation of a predictive model drawing on all of the above
  - details of the survey methodology and results
  - details of any sites/objects/potential archaeological deposits located during the survey
  - an assessment of the Aboriginal cultural heritage significance (as provided by the registered Aboriginal parties) of the project area
  - an assessment of the archaeological significance of any sites/objects/potential archaeological deposits identified within the project area
  - an assessment of the potential impact by the project to any sites/objects/potential archaeological deposits identified within the project area



- a discussion of management options and
  - management recommendations.
5. The provision of the draft ACHA report to registered Aboriginal parties for review and comment (comment period extends for 28 days from date of provision of the draft ACHA).
  6. Discussion/incorporation of comments/responses received from Aboriginal parties to develop and finalise the ACHA report.
  7. Provision of the final ACHA report to registered Aboriginal parties and to the proponent.
  8. Submission of the final ACHA alongside the SSDA for the project.

#### **4.0 Consultation with Aboriginal Parties During the Assessment Process**

Umwelt acknowledges and understands that cultural values, by definition, relate to values outside those associated with specific archaeological sites/objects. Throughout the assessment process, we invite comment from Aboriginal parties regarding any cultural values associated with the project area and will ensure that any information provided regarding cultural values (be they associated with a specific site or provided with reference to a landscape feature or within a broader context) are documented and recorded in accordance with the wishes of the relevant Aboriginal party for inclusion in the ACHA report. We note that the inclusion of any such information in the final assessment is dependent on its provision by the Aboriginal parties.

We note that Section 3.2 of the consultation requirements specifies that the objective of consultation is to ensure 'that Aboriginal people have the opportunity to improve assessment outcomes. Factors specified as assisting in meeting this objective include providing Aboriginal parties with the opportunity to provide information on cultural values (as invited in this draft methodology), influence methods regarding assessment of significance for Aboriginal objects/places (which can be undertaken in response to this draft methodology, during fieldwork and in commenting on the draft ACHA report) and commenting on the draft ACHA report. Our approach is designed to ensure compliance with this objective, including the potential for in-field consultation with Aboriginal party representatives during fieldwork. Umwelt archaeologists are trained to seek and document cultural feedback provided by Aboriginal party representatives during fieldwork. This is not limited to cultural values associated with archaeological sites but may encompass any values identified by Aboriginal people.

We look forward to working with your organisation throughout the project to ensure that we adequately document any information you wish to provide regarding Aboriginal cultural values. Please feel free to contact us to request any additional information or assistance you may require to facilitate the provision of your input.

#### **5.0 Survey Methodology**

The draft survey methodology is designed to ensure compliance with requirements for archaeological survey as established in the *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (the Code of Practice). This includes development of an appropriate sampling strategy and recording of information during survey.



## **5.1 Sampling Strategy**

The survey will be undertaken to ensure that a representative sample of all landforms within the project area are surveyed, as required to ensure compliance with Code of Practice. Based on the curtilage of the works within the project area, it is proposed to undertake a full coverage survey. It is intended that the survey will be conducted over the course of one day by one archaeologist and a limited number of Aboriginal community representatives. We anticipate that no more than 4-5 groups will be able to participate in the survey, given the size and nature of the area to be surveyed, as well as limitations due to social distancing guidelines. However, the duration of survey time may be subject to change based on the number of sites recorded, ground surface visibility and other variables.

## **5.2 Recording of Information During Survey**

Survey units will be defined and named with reference to Requirement 5c of the Code of Practice, including recording start and finish points and/or boundaries for all survey units using a hand-held GPS receiver (set to allow recording of data with datum MGA94) and topographic mapping (where relevant), with track logs to be recorded for all pedestrian transects. Start and finish points/boundaries for survey units will be defined based on landforms, study area boundaries, access or other arbitrary terminations (as specified in the Code of Practice). The spacing between individuals will also be recorded for each survey unit.

Photographs will be undertaken for landforms/survey units (where informative). Information recorded for each survey unit will include:

- Landform (in units based on those established by McDonald et al 2009)
- Gradient (where relevant)
- Vegetation (unlikely, but recorded where relevant)
- Geology and soils (where suitable areas of exposure/visibility are present)
- Identified Aboriginal resources (food and medicine plants, prey animals, stone and water)
- Levels of average ground surface visibility within the survey unit (in accordance with the Requirement 9 of the Code of Practice)
- Extent and type of exposures within the survey unit (unlikely given the modern disturbances within the project area)
- Any information provided by the registered Aboriginal parties in relation to cultural values, noting that such information will be recorded in accordance with the wishes of the party providing the information and
- Any site, area of Potential Archaeological Deposit (PAD) or landscape feature of Aboriginal cultural value present within the survey unit (see below for further information on site/PAD recording).

Any Aboriginal archaeological sites identified during the survey will be assessed with reference to the site boundaries. Factors that will be taken into consideration in defining and mapping site boundaries may include the distribution of surface artefacts, landforms or physical boundaries and cultural information.

Sufficient information will be recorded for all sites to meet Requirement 7 of the Code of Practice. The archaeological and Aboriginal and cultural significance of any site will be discussed with the registered Aboriginal parties participating in the survey.

The archaeological potential of landforms/specific areas within the project area will be assessed with reference to factors including the archaeological context of the local area, the evaluation of the soil profile (based on soil landscape mapping, exposed soil profiles identified during the survey and geomorphic understandings of the area) and the identification of landforms that may have greater archaeological sensitivity. The extent of any area of identified archaeological potential will be defined and documented for inclusion in subsequent reporting. The archaeological and Aboriginal and cultural significance of any area of identified archaeological potential will be discussed with the registered Aboriginal parties participating in the survey.

### 5.3 Survey Arrangements

At this stage, it is proposed to undertake the survey in mid-July 2020, however this is subject to confirmation. Further correspondence regarding survey arrangements will be provided at least two weeks prior to the proposed survey date. Additional information relating to engagement is provided in the attached correspondence.

As specified in the attached correspondence, expressions of interest are invited from Aboriginal parties for paid engagement for the proposed archaeological survey.

### 6.0 Summary

This letter provides details of the proposed methodology for an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment associated with the proposed SSDA. In accordance with the consultation requirements (DECCW 2010), we ask that your group provides comments on the draft methodology by no later than close of business **15 July 2020**. Comments regarding the draft methodology can be provided verbally or in writing to:

Alison Fenwick  
Archaeologist  
Umwelt Environmental and Social Consultants (Umwelt)  
[afenwick@umwelt.com.au](mailto:afenwick@umwelt.com.au)  
Phone: 02 4950 5322

Should you require any further information or wish to discuss any aspect of the Project, please do not hesitate to contact Alison or Health Infrastructure's project manager Leigh Gilshenan at [Leigh.Gilshenan@tsamgt.com.au](mailto:Leigh.Gilshenan@tsamgt.com.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ashley O'Sullivan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ashley O'Sullivan  
Senior Archaeologist





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**From:** Carolyn .H <cazadirect@live.com>  
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**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan; Alison Fenwick  
**Subject:** Re: 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development



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**ACN:** 639 868 876

Hi Guys,  
Sorry registration is a little late, I been a bit under the weather and unable to work.  
I would like to register for consultation and field work, I hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the cultural significance of any Aboriginal objects and values that exist within the project area.  
Kind Regards,  
Carolyn Hickey



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**From:** Ashley O'Sullivan <aosullivan@umwelt.com.au>  
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Thanks,  
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**Cc:** Kerrie Brauer  
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Dear Ashley,

Please register Awabakal & Guringai Pty.Ltd for the proposed John Hunter Health & Innovation Project. We wish to be engaged/consulted on all aspects relating to our cultural heritage.

We look forward to hearing from you in the future.

Kind regards  
Tracey Howie

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Thanks,  
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**Subject:** Re: 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development

Good morning Ashley,  
Hope you are well? I would like to register my interest in this project please.  
Thank you  
Deidre 😊

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**Subject:** John Hunter Health & Innovation Project.

G'day Alison

DFTV ENTERPRISES would like to express our interest in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage community consultation process for the John Hunter Health & Innovation Project.

Please consider

Kind Regards

Derrick Vale



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**Sent:** Friday, 8 May 2020 12:23 PM  
**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan  
**Subject:** Re: EOI 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project

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*Dear Ashleigh*

**Re: EOI 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Proposed Development, full involvement**

Please register our corporation for full process. We are aboriginal people. We have our history & stories passed down by our Elders. We have assisted in other salvage & consulting in with archaeologists over a vast number of years. We are experienced in the field of identifying artefacts, Including our learned history and knowledge passed down by our Elders. We appreciate the opportunity to be part of protecting and preserving our heritage as Aboriginal people. We are very proud of our heritage passed to us by our Elders and our ancestors long passed. With our history dating back 40,000 years we appreciate the opportunity to be participants in locating and preserving our history. We are therefore pleased with being a part of this research and provide our experience in cultural heritage input.

The potential to contain evidence of Aboriginal of actual occupation on the specific project area and provide cultural links to our past ancestors is of great value and significance. Our organisation has a current public liability insurance policy and OHS compliant and all members hold white cards plus all the required safety gear. All our members are of Aboriginal and very experienced in the identification of Aboriginal artefacts. and consulted with numerous Archeologists in surveys including excavation/fieldwork. We are very passionate about land and conservation matters in which some of members are currently studying and hold strong links to our our ancestors and our heritage.

Please note **we do not want our details forwarded to LALC, please do not release our correspondence nor any details.**

Please ensure this email: [gunjeewong@yahoo.com.au](mailto:gunjeewong@yahoo.com.au) address and phone number are the only contact numbers. Please update your internal database to reflect these contact details. Much appreciated.

Sincerely

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**To:** Alison Fenwick  
**Cc:** Ashley O'Sullivan  
**Subject:** John Hunter Health and Innovation Project

Hi

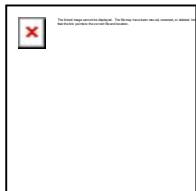
On behalf of LHAI I would like to register an interest in the proposed John Hunter Health and Innovation Project.

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Thank You David Ahoy  
Sites Manager  
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**From:** Ryan Johnson <murrabidgeemullangari@yahoo.com.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 May 2020 2:51 PM  
**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan  
**Subject:** RE: 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development

Dear Ashley  
We would like to register our interest in the above project.  
Kind regards

Ryan Johnson | **Murra Bidgee Mullangari**



Aboriginal Corporation Cultural Heritage

**A:** PO Box 246, Seven Hills, NSW, 2147  
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**From:** Ashley O'Sullivan [mailto:[aosullivan@umwelt.com.au](mailto:aosullivan@umwelt.com.au)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 7 May 2020 2:06 PM  
**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan <[aosullivan@umwelt.com.au](mailto:aosullivan@umwelt.com.au)>  
**Cc:** Alison Fenwick <[afenwick@umwelt.com.au](mailto:afenwick@umwelt.com.au)>  
**Subject:** 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development

Good Afternoon,

We are writing to let you know that planning has recently begun on the NSW Government's \$780 million John Hunter Health and Innovation Project. The JHHIP will delivery an expansion to the John Hunter and John Hunter Children's Hospitals. Health Infrastructure have engaged Umwelt Environmental and Social Consultants (Umwelt) to



prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) as part of the preparation works for a State Significant Development (SSD) application. In accordance with Section 4.1.3 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (2010)*, Umwelt are seeking to identify Aboriginal people or groups who may hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places within the project area (as found in **Figure 1 and 2** of the attached letter). If your organisation holds such knowledge and wishes to be involved in the project, please register your interest by no later than **21 May 2020** to:

Alison Fenwick  
P: 02 4950 5322  
E: [afenwick@umwelt.com.au](mailto:afenwick@umwelt.com.au)

A copy of this letter has also been posted to the postal address listed with DPIE.

Thanks,  
Ashley

**Ashley O'Sullivan**  
Senior Archaeologist

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**From:** Anthony Anderson <murroomainc1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 May 2020 6:53 PM  
**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan  
**Subject:** Re: 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development

Hi Ash,  
Hope your well,  
Murrooma will not be registering for this John Hunter Planning Proposal  
As you are aware we will only work/consult within our traditional boundaries so we will leave this one with Awabakal  
Thanks  
Bec Young

On Thu, May 7, 2020 at 2:05 PM Ashley O'Sullivan <[aosullivan@umwelt.com.au](mailto:aosullivan@umwelt.com.au)> wrote:

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Thanks,

Ashley

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Anthony Anderson  
CEO Mur-roo-ma Incorporated  
Justice of The Peace

**Alison Fenwick**

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**From:** danny franks <d-franks@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, 11 May 2020 9:47 AM  
**To:** Ashley O'Sullivan  
**Subject:** 4965 John Hunter Health and Innovation Project - Notification of Proposed Development

Good Morning,

Please accept this email as Tocomwall's ROI for the above mentioned project. ( work emails are currently down)

Please forward all corospondance to [scott@tocomwall.com.au](mailto:scott@tocomwall.com.au)

Regards

Danny Franks



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**Date: 14th May 2020**

**To: Umwelt**

**Email: afenwick@umwelt.com.au**  
**Ph: 02, 49505322**

**Re: Consultation for a proposed development associated with the John Hunter Health and innovation precinct project**

**Attn: Alison Fenwick Umwelt environmental and social consultants.**

**Dear Alison**

**Please register my company's interest in the above said project, if you require any further information please call or email.**

**Regards**

**Des Hickey**  
**Manager WWCCS**

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**From:** WIDESCOPE . <widescope.group@live.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 14 May 2020 2:50 PM  
**To:** Alison Fenwick  
**Subject:** Expression of Interest Registration Re: John Hunter Health Innovative Precinct Project

Hi Alison,

My name is Steven Hickey, please register my interest in the Aboriginal Cultural heritage assessment for proposed development associated with the John Hunter Health and Innovative Precinct project

I am a recognised indigenous cultural knowledge holder I have the trust of the community I hold cultural knowledge relevant in determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places in the vicinity of the study area. Through my historical ancestors I hold a cultural connection to the area of the project and surrounding areas I continue to maintain a deep respect for my ancestral belief system, traditional lore and customs

My preferred Method of contact is Via Email:widescope.group@live.com  
Steven Hickey (RAP) Mob 0425230693  
Donna Hickey (Administration) 0425232056

My level of involvement:

I would like to attend Community Consultation meetings and to be considered for field survey works. Thank you I look forward to assisting with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage part of the project

Regards  
Steven Hickey