# HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM Amendment Report APPENDIX M **INDIGENOUS HERITAGE ADVICE ANALYSIS**

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Sent: Wednesday, 28 April 2021 4:23 PM

**To:** Alex Henderson

**Cc:** Jamie Chivers; Liam Edgeworth

**Subject:** RE: 28/04 - Hills of Gold heritage response request

Hi Alex,

We have reviewed the design changes. I agree with Someva's response as the design is a minor change. No additional Aboriginal heritage assessment is warranted.

All the best, Matthew

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Subject: 28/04 - Hills of Gold heritage response request

Morning Matt,

I hope all is well. We have received some comments back from ERM requesting confirmation on any potential Heritage impacts caused by both the Transmission Line and the Devils Elbow upgrade following some minor design changes to each of them since you carried out your assessment. Please see below. I have included Somevas comments on what we believe and am hoping you might be able to simply confirm this approach/viewpoint. I have also attached the updated maps (in shapefile format) showing previous and new layouts of both the TL and DE upgrade.

Project change	Issue	ERM Comment	Someva response	KNC response
Devil's elbow realignment	Indigenous heritage	Noting that the Indigenous heritage assessment in the EIS identified an artefact scatter near the Devil's Elbow area (AFT 4), please identify:  1. Did the previous Indigenous heritage assessment cover the area of the realigned access road now proposed?  2. Does the realigned devil's elbow change	The design change is very minor and the area within the assessment was broadly surveyed. As such we believe it does not change existing outcomes.	

		the assessment outcomes in the report (ie AFT4 is identified in the EIS as direct impact / total harm. I cannot see any response / advice from Kelleher Nightingale on this.		
TL realignment	Indigenous heritage	As per above comment for devil's elbow, ie did the Indigenous assessment cover the area of the realigned TL corridor? I cannot see any response / advice from Kelleher Nightingale on this	As per above?	

Having reviewed the attached files, would you be able to provide commentary in the final column by tomorrow? We are hoping to have this back to them by midday tomorrow as the RtS is due for submission on Friday.

Many thanks and please let me know if you require further information.

Alex

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 30 March 2021 5:54 PM

**To:** Jamie Chivers

**Subject:** RE: Hills of Gold Wind Farm Heritage NSW Submission

Hi Jamie.

All sounds good. In the response to submission I recommend the following:

Salvage excavation activities and scope would be dependent on the extent of the proposed impact and the archaeological content of the sites. A staged salvage program is recommended and a methodology would be developed post-approval in consultation with Heritage NSW and Aboriginal stakeholders. A staged salvage program would allow for an initial Phase 1 of dispersed 1 metre x 1 metre squares across the impacted site area to determine the nature and extent of the subsurface archaeology, followed by targeted Phase 2 'open area' excavation where required. A staged program such as this ensures that appropriate management measures can be selected for each site, depending on Phase 1 results and the extent of proposed impact. Specific salvage requirements per site would be addressed in the methodology post-approval.

For point 2, nothing to add.

Please note. Surface collection would still be required for all impacted sites regardless of whether any progress to salvage excavation.

I hope this response is useful.

All the best, Matthew

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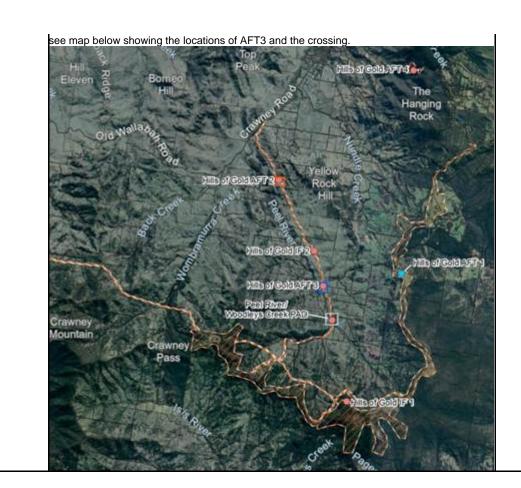
**Subject:** Hills of Gold Wind Farm Heritage NSW Submission

Hi Matthew

I hope you have been well.

We are happy to report that we received very minimal feedback on the CHAR through the public exhibition period. Following our review the only material points raised by Heritage NSW are summarised below. Would you mind adding comments to the first point?

Agency	Area	Comment	Someva response.	KNC Feedback
Heritage NSW	Archaeological investigations	HNSW recommends that alternative mitigation measures are considered to ensure that the appropriate management action is selected for each site. Test excavation should be conducted where there is uncertainty about the need for salvage excavation.	KNC to provide advice. Please see Heritage NSW responses.	
Heritage NSW	Archaeological investigations	Recommends evidence based reasons for undertaking salvage excavation of a PAD at Peel River/Woodleys Ck and another PAD at AFT 3. It is recommended no further need for further archaeological investigation	We can now confirm that AFT 3 and the Peel Cr Woodley's Creek crossing are no longer required. This transport route has been withdrawn from the project application. We will make a comment in our Response to Submission Report that no impact will be expected here. We don't think an updated report is required. Can you confirm this is a suitable response. Please	a e



Thanks Matthew.

Regards, Jamie Chivers +61 423 336 345



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