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Wilcannia Weir EIS comments – Central Darling Shire Council

Thank you for the invitation to comment on the exhibition of the Wilcannia Weir EIS.

Central Darling Shire Council generally supports the contents of the Wilcannia Weir EIS for the construction of the new Wilcannia Weir, which will benefit the community of Wilcannia.

However, Council has some concerns with the proposed works associated with the new Wilcannia Weir project, specifically the development proposed within the Union Bend Crown Reserve.

The Union Bend Crown Reserve is subject to substantial flooding when the Darling / Baaka River is at moderate to high flood levels. The proposed Wilcannia Weir ancillary development sites are subject to flooding and are not accessible when the river is in moderate to high flow.

Council is preparing a proposed plan of easement over the existing track in use, locally known as Union Bend Road, which includes power and water infrastructure. It may be beneficial for you to include an easement for access to the new weir site as part of the proposed plan of easement prior to lodgement.

The proposed works to remove part of the existing weir will require access and part or full closure of the Victory Park Caravan Park. Please consult with Council once details are known.

If there are further questions on this the above comments please contact Council on o8 8083 8900 or email at <u>council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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