



SM-22-00222030

04 May 2022

Attn: Infrastructure Management
Department of Planning and Environment
Locked Bag 5022, Parramatta NSW 2124.

To Department of Planning and Environment,

Sydney Metro Western Sydney Airport (SMWSA) (SSI 10051) – Conditions of Approval E4, E5 and E7: Evidence of the retirement of credits or payment to secure offsets to the Department

In accordance with Conditions of Approval (CoA) E4, E5 and E7 of SSI 10051 and as discussed in Section 3.5.1 of the Sydney Metro CSSI Staging Report Version 5.0, Sydney Metro submits evidence of payment into the Biodiversity Conservation Fund (BCF) prior to removal of native vegetation removal associated with the Advanced and Enabling Works (AEW) construction stage.

This vegetation removal is required to facilitate access road works just north of the Elizabeth Drive, Badgerys Creek Road roundabout and equates to 1 credit for Plant Community Type (PCT) 835.

Please see attached the certificate issued by the Biodiversity Conservation Trust under section 6.33 of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as evidence of payment into the BCF in satisfaction of Condition E5 as it relates to the AEW construction stage. Please note that the payment documented in this certificate relates to the whole of the Sydney Metro – Western Sydney Airport project and does not solely cover the AEW construction stage.

Also attached is a summary table which outlines the credit requirements from the recently modified Condition E4 and how these credits have been allocated to the project's construction stages. This summary table will be updated as the project progresses to confirm the number of credits required for each stage of works and the status of retirement prior to commencing clearing of native vegetation for that stage.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Alice Pryke, Senior Manager Planning Approvals SMWSA, on 0451 084 390.

Attachments:

- *Attachment A - BCF295 – Certificate*
- *Attachment B - Summary table of credits retired per construction stage*

Yours sincerely



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Attachment A - BCF295 – Certificate

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Statement confirming payment into the Biodiversity Conservation Fund for an offset obligation

Pursuant to section 6.33 of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust confirms that the following payments have been made into the Biodiversity Conservation Fund under section 6.30(1) of the Act to satisfy an obligation to retire biodiversity credits.

Payment made by:	Sydney Metro				
Date received:	22 December 2021				
NSW statutory obligation reference¹	SSI 10051				
Commonwealth EPBC Act controlled action reference (if applicable)²	Yes				
BCT Reference	BCF295				
Biodiversity credit retirement obligations satisfied by payment to the Biodiversity Conservation Fund:					
Biodiversity credit type	Offset trading group	EPBC Act Controlled Action offset obligation (Y / N)	Number of credits	Cost per credit (Exc. GST)	Total payment per credit type (Exc. GST)
724 - Castlereagh shale - gravel transition forest	Shale Gravel Transition Forest in the Sydney Basin Bioregion	Yes	185	\$26,912.01	\$4,978,722.12
835 - Cumberland river-flat forest	River-Flat Eucalypt Forest on Coastal Floodplains of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions	Yes	55	\$22,097.40	\$1,215,357.2
1800 - Cumberland Swamp Oak riparian forest	Swamp Oak Floodplain Forest of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions	Yes	136	\$20,752.23	\$2,822,303.36
1071 - <i>Phragmites australis</i> and <i>Typha orientalis</i> coastal freshwater wetlands of the Sydney Basin Bioregion	Coastal Freshwater Lagoons	Yes	1	\$8,947.15	\$8,947.15

¹This refers to either; a development application number for a development consent under Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act)*, a State significant infrastructure approval under the previous Part 5.1 (now Part 5, Division 5.2) of the EP&A Act, a decision of a determining authority to carry out or approve the carrying out of an activity under Part 5 of the EP&A Act, or a biobank statement number or biodiversity certification number.

² This refers to a controlled action under the Commonwealth *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* for which a biodiversity offset obligation has been met through payment into the BCF.

10367 - <i>Grevillea juniperina</i> subsp. <i>Juniperina</i> (Juniper-leaved Grevillea)	N/A	No	43	\$145.88	\$6,273.04
10526 - <i>Meridolum corneovirens</i> (Cumberland Plain Land Snail)	N/A	No	123	\$454.10	\$55,854.64
10226 - <i>Dillwynia tenuifolia</i> (<i>Dillwynia tenuifolia</i>)	N/A	Yes	16	\$145.88	\$2,334.15
10549 - <i>Myotis macropus</i> (Southern Myotis)	N/A	Yes	221	\$974.69	\$215,405.84
10715 - <i>Pultenaea parviflora</i> (<i>Pultenaea parviflora</i>)	N/A	Yes	8	\$258.10	\$2,064.82
Total (Exc. GST)					\$ 9,307,262.32
GST					\$ 930,726.23
Total (Inc. GST)					\$10,237,988.55



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23 December 2021

Director Strategy & Finance

Attachment B - Summary table of credits retired per construction stage

Summary table of credits required per construction stage – SSI 10051 Condition E4

Table 1: Ecosystem credits requirements per construction stage and status of retirement/BCF payment

Ecosystem credit	AEW		SBT		SCAW		Totals	
	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/payment made in satisfaction	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/payment made in satisfaction	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/payment made in satisfaction	Total credits per PCT	Total credits retired /payment made in satisfaction
PCT 724 (Intact)	0	-	65	-	0	-	65	-
PCT 724 (Thinned)	0	-	64	-	89	-	153	-
PCT 724 (Scattered Trees)	0	-	1	-	27	-	28	-
PCT 835 (Intact)	0	-	0	-	51	-	51	-
PCT 835 (Thinned)	0	-	21	-	136	-	157	-
PCT 835 (Scattered Trees)	1	1	0	-	8	-	9	1
PCT 849 (Thinned)	0	-	15	-	167	-	182	-
PCT 849 (Scattered Trees)	0	-	4	-	16	-	20	-
PCT 1800 (Intact)	0	-	0	-	36	-	36	-
PCT 1800 (Thinned)	0	-	0	-	145	-	145	-

Total ecosystem credits	1	1	170	-	675	-	846	1
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Table 2: Species credits requirements per construction stage and status of retirement/BCF payment

Species credit	AEW		SBT		SCAW		Total credits per PCT	Total credits retired/ payment made in satisfaction
	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/ payment made in satisfaction	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/ payment made in satisfaction	Maximum credits required	Credits retired/ payment made in satisfaction		
<i>Dillwynia tenuifolia</i>	0	-	21	-	0	-	21	-
<i>Grevillea juniperina</i> subsp. <i>juniperina</i> (Juniper-leaved Grevillea)	0	-	0	-	57	-	57	-
<i>Pultenaea parviflora</i>	0	-	10	-	0	-	10	-
<i>Myotis Macropus</i> (Southern Myotis)	0	-	0	-	292	-	292	-



Status as of 04/05/2022

<i>Meridolum corneovirens</i> (Cumberland Plain Land Snail)	0	-	62	-	97	-	159	-
Total species credits	0	-	93	-	446	-	539	-