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Malcolm Clark

Inland Rail Pty Ltd
via Major Projects Portal

7 May 2026

Attention: Ian Irwin, Environment Manager

Subject: **Sloanes Froglet Direction Response Management Plan Updates**

Dear Ian,

I refer to your submission dated **30 April 2026**, requesting approval of the following documents:

- **Sloane's Froglet Management Plan – Stage C, revision 1**, dated **1 April 2026**; and
- **Construction Biodiversity Monitoring Program – Stage C, revision 2**, dated **8 April 2026**

I consider that these documents have been updated and submitted in response to the Departments Direction letter issued in December 2025 after an incident with the Sloanes froglet species on site.

I note the documents:

- have been prepared in consultation with the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) – Conservation Programs, Heritage and Offsets, and all comments closed out;
- outline the updated management, mitigation and monitoring measures for Sloane's Froglet during Stage C construction works; and
- contain the information required by the conditions of approval.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the below documents under Conditions E26 and C26 of SSI-10055:

- **Sloane's Froglet Management Plan – Stage C**, revision 1, dated 1 April 2026; and
- **Construction Biodiversity Monitoring Program – Stage C**, revision 2, dated 8 April 2026.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the Reports and the conditions of approval, the conditions of approval prevail.

Please ensure the approved documents are made publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Scott Cooper or myself.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jess Athas'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'J' being large and looping.

Jess Athas

Team Leader, Freight Assessments
As nominee of the Planning Secretary