

Mr Greg Nash Project Director Woolgoolga to Ballina Northern Project Office Transport for NSW PO Box 546 GRAFTON NSW 2460

14/10/2020

Attn: Shayne Walker

Dear Mr Nash

Subject: Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway Upgrade (SSI-4963) Sections 3-11 Microbat Monitoring Annual Report 2018

I refer to the Microbat Monitoring Annual Report which was submitted in accordance with Condition D8 of the approval for the Woolgoolga to Ballina Highway Upgrade, Sections 3-11.

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it addresses the requirements of condition D8 in relation to the monitoring of threatened microbat species to date.

The Department notes the recommendations outlined and is supportive of these being implemented within the specified timeframes.

The Department notes the report has been submitted well after monitoring was undertaken in 2017 and 2018. The Department requires the monitoring reports to be submitted in a timely manner, at least three months after the final survey was undertaken. This would enable issues and trends to be identified, and if required, corrective actions to be undertaken.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Annika Hather on (02) 9995 6662 or annika.hather@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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