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Subject: M7/M12 Integration Project – M7 Widening (SSI-663): Design and Landscape Plan (DLP) –
Staging Amendment Request

Dear Ms Forrest,

I refer to your submission, dated 1 December 2023, requesting to amend the staging of the Design and Landscape Plan (DLP) in accordance with conditions A7 and D20 of Schedule 2 of SSI-663. I also thank you for your response to the Department's requests for further information.

I note the proposed amendments to the staging of the DLP is to:

- provide opportunity to include design elements from Aboriginal consultation and the wider Stage 2 works for the shared user path facilities required under Condition D90;
- ensure sufficient time to transition between the construction scope and the commencement of shared user path works under Condition D93;
- allow for relevant communication materials to be prepared and allow for proper consultation with the Design Review Panel for Stage 1 works; and
- to gather stories and histories from Aboriginal stakeholders that will be used to inform the artworks and other elements that form Stage 2 of the DLP.

I further note the Project is requesting to stage the DLP into two stages, with the following submission timeframes:

Table 1

Stage	Scope	Targeted DPE Submission Timeframe
Stage 1	• Major infrastructure, • Structural (road, bridges, retaining walls, abutments) and earthworks elements, • Active transport (shared paths, cyclist and pedestrian routes), • Civil engineering, • Drainage, • Environmental engineering, • Overarching landscape strategy, • Design concepts for the whole integrated project	March 2024
Stage 2	• Cultural aspects and integration of public art • Facilities along the M7 shared user path (Condition D90) • Station street and Westlink M7 Share Path at Rooty Hill (Condition D93) • Vegetation Management Plan (Condition D24)	December 2024

As nominee of the Planning Secretary, I agree with your request to amend the staging of the Design and Landscape Plan under condition A7 with the submission timeframes for Stages 1 and 2 in accordance with Table 1.

Please note the staging of the DLP would need to facilitate a cohesive final design and not limit final design outcomes, this will need to be demonstrated on submission of Stage 1 of the DLP.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Sam Heaton at Samuel.Heaton@dpie.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary

