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Subject: Narrabri to North Star, Phase 1 (CSSI-7474) Condition E19: Biodiversity Assessment Report update

Dear Mr. Borrelli

I refer to your submission dated 25 June 2024 of the Biodiversity Assessment Report Revision 10, dated 17 October 2023, submitted for approval under condition E19.

I note that:

- Condition E19 allows for the updating of biodiversity offset obligations for ecosystem and species credits outlined within Tables E2 and E3 of the CSSI approval.
- The previously approved Biodiversity Assessment Report contained an error in the credit amounts for PCT 135 and PCT 413.
- The credit amount for PCT 135 has been updated from 215 credits to 178 credits.
- The credit amount for PCT 413 has been updated from 75 credits to 82 credits
- The updates to credit amounts have been developed in consultation with the New South Wales Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water's Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Group (formerly EES); and the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary I approve the Biodiversity Assessment Report Revision 10, dated 17 October 2023, submitted for approval under condition E19.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Scott Cooper at scott.cooper@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary