

21/06/2021

Jake Shackleton
Acting Director- Infrastructure Management
Department of Planning Industry and Environment
4 Parramatta Square, 12 Darcy Street
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

SSI:7666 Coffs Harbour Bypass: MCoA A22 Environmental Representative

Dear Mr Shackleton,

In accordance with the Minister's Condition of Approval (MCoA) of Project Application No: SSI-7666, a suitably qualified person must be nominated for the role of Environmental Representative for the Pacific Highway Coffs Harbour Bypass.

Further to this MCoA A23 and A21 requires that the ER is to be an independent person and that this person must be approved by the Secretary of the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE).

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) have had an interim Environmental Representative engaged since November 2020 in order to allow early works to progress. TfNSW have now completed the tender process for the full-time role of Coffs Harbour Bypass Environmental Representative [CHBER] and Back-up Environmental Representative.

Following a full open tender process TfNSW would like to recommend Mr. Simon Williams from GeoLINK as the CHBER and Mr. Duncan Thomson from GeoLINK as the back-up CHBER.

TfNSW considers Mr. Simon Williams as a strong candidate for the ER role and has the relevant demonstrated experience suitable for fulling the ER role, particularly for large linear infrastructure projects.

I confirm that:

- 1) Mr Williams and Thomson are independent from the both the design and construction personnel from the Coffs Harbour Bypass and those in the delivery of this project;
- 2) Mr Williams and Thomson do not have a close relationship with the proponent/contactor, including that of employer/employee, a business partnership,

sharing a common employer, a contractual arrangement (outside the task in question), or that of a spouse, partner, sibling, parent, or child;

- 3) Mr Williams and Thomson do not have an actual or perceived conflict of interest- Simon Williams has not been contracted to provide any specialist services for the Coffs Harbour Bypass;
- 4) Mr Williams and Thomson do not have any pecuniary interest in the project, proponent or related entities, including any known pecuniary interests of family or friends;
- 5) Mr Williams and Thomson have not accepted any inducement or benefit from TfNSW, their employees or any interested party, or knowingly allow colleagues to do so (excluding apart from the payment for services undertaken to conduct the specific task or role in question);
- 6) Mr Williams and Thomson will exercise their own independent, professional judgement in relation to the task and undertake the task in an objective and professional manner at all times.
- 7) Confirm that Mr Williams and Thomson will be available to attend, as requested, any site inspections or meetings or to provide reports to the Department of Planning Industry and Environment as required;
- 8) Confirm that Mr Williams and Thomson will undertake regular (at least monthly) inspections of the project works and this will be reviewed in response to incidents and projects environmental performance;
- 9) Mr Williams and Thomson will provide summary details of inspection he has undertaken in the ER Monthly Report submitted to DPIE.

Signed:



Simon Williams
Environmental Representative
GeoLINK Pty Ltd

Signed:



Duncan Thomson
Back-up Environmental Representative
GeoLINK Pty Ltd

Please find attached for your information a curriculum vitae detailing Mr Williams and Mr Thomson's experience and qualifications as well as their declaration confirming their independence in that they have not had any direct or indirect role in the preparation of the

EIS/Amendment Report, Submissions Report and the construction design and delivery of the project.

Should you have further questions regarding this matter, please contact Scott Lawrence on 02 6640 1375.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Greg Nash', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

22/06/2021

Greg Nash
Director Coffs Harbour Bypass

Attachment 1 – Simon Williams CV

Attachment 2 – Duncan Thomson CV