

Angelique Easton A/Director Eastern Harbour and Central River City Parramatta Light Rail Level 10, 130 George Street, Parramatta NSW 2150

## 13/07/2022

Subject: Grey-headed Flying-fox Construction Monitoring Program for Parramatta Light Rail Stage 1 (C9 of SSI-8285)

## Dear Ms Easton

I refer to your correspondence dated 30 June 2022 requesting agreement that the monthly monitoring of the Grey-headed flying fox (GHFF) camp in Parramatta Park by trained TfNSW staff (on the off-months) cease due to the reduced risk of impacts from Parramatta Light Rail – Stage 1 works.

Following a review of the information provided, I note that this change has been proposed following substantial completion of the Infrastructure Works (Package 4) in the Cumberland Precinct (in June 2022), including works within 300 metres of the GHFF camp in Parramatta Park. I also note that quarterly monitoring by the Wildlife Biologist (Ecosure), and associated reporting would continue to be carried out until the end of construction of the Parramatta Light Rail – Stage 1.

I note that consultation has been carried out with DPE Environment, Energy and Science department (former OEH) on the proposed changes, documented in Section 1.5 and consultation comments provided in Appendix 1. I also note that the Environmental Representative has also endorsed this document, with the endorsement letter included as an appendix.

I note that during the less intensive scope of works with potentially lesser risks to the GHFF camp (i.e. from June 2022 onwards) monthly monitoring (in the 'off months') by trained TfNSW staff under the direction of Ecosure will not be required. I am satisfied that from June 2022, the supplemental monthly monitoring by trained TfNSW staff is not required noting that quarterly monitoring by Ecosure and targeted monitoring by contractors would continue. I, therefore, as delegate for the Planning Secretary, give my agreement to the ceasing of the monthly monitoring of the GHFF camp in Parramatta Park under the condition that quarterly monitoring by the Wildlife Biologist (Ecosure), and associated reporting would continue to be carried out until the end of construction of the Parramatta Light Rail – Stage 1.

You must ensure that the Grey-headed Flying-fox Construction Monitoring Program under Condition C9(c) of SSI-8285 is consistent with the above baseline monitoring and is submitted to the Department for information within the timeframes under Condition C13 and C14 of the SSI Approval.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Grant Brown at grant.brown@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

4 ner

Grant Brown A/Team Leader - Rail Infrastructure Management

As nominee of the Planning Secretary