

Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure

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Inland Rail Pty Ltd
via Major Projects Portal

2 September 2025

Attention: Ian Irwin, Environment Manager

Inland Rail – Illabo to Stockinbingal (SSI-9406) – approval of Staging Report and Construction Environmental Management Framework

Dear Ian,

I refer to your submission lodged on 29 August 2025 requesting approval of the Inland Rail – Illabo to Stockinbingal (SSI-9406) Staging Report (John Holland, rev 0, 29/08/2025) under condition A11. The Staging Report identifies two stages, being:

- Stage 1: rail possession works on the existing Main South Line between 9-19 September 2025
- Stage 2: all remaining Construction.

Under Condition C1, a Construction Environmental Management Framework may be prepared and a Work Method Statement may be used for a Low Risk Stage. I note the Staging Report:

- identifies Stage 1 as a Low Risk Stage, to be managed under an Environmental Work Method Statement approved by the Environment Representative, with operational and design related conditions in Part D and Part E stated as not applicable
- identifies Stage 2 as all remaining Construction, with all conditions applicable (and extensions proposed for the Box Gum Woodland Restoration Plan, Connectivity Strategy and Aboriginal Cultural Values Plan)
- was endorsed by the Environment Representative on 29 August 2025.

I approve the Staging Report under condition A11 and the Construction Environmental Management Framework under condition C1.

If you wish to discuss this, please contact Alex McGuirk, Principal Planning Officer, or myself.

Yours sincerely,



Alexander Scott
Director, Freight Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary