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Dear Alex,

CSSI-9406 Illabo to Stockinbingal Project – Staging Report update and Commencement of next Stages, Minister’s Condition of Approval A8

I refer to the Minister's Conditions of Approval (**MCoA**) issued for the Critical State Significant Infrastructure (**CSSI**) Project No. 9406 Illabo to Stockinbingal, on 4 September 2024, and specifically the following MCoA requirements:

- **MCoA11** requires that, where staged construction is proposed, a Staging Report must be prepared and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval.
- **MCoA A8** requires notification of commencement for each stage of construction.

Inland Rail Pty Ltd (**IRPL**) lodged a submission for Staged construction (**Stage 1 Low Risk Stage and Stage 2 all remaining Construction**) on 29 August 2025 (**IRPL Ref: 6-0000-220-EEC-00-LT-006**), which was subsequently approved by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (the **Department**) on 2 September 2025 (**DPHI ref: SSI-9406-PA-43**).

This letter provides an update on the timing for commencement of Stage 2 Construction works.

Stage 2 Construction

Stage 2 Construction will commence following approval of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (**CEMP**) and sub-plans. In the A8 notification letter sent 11 August 2025 (**Ref: 6-0000-220-EEC-00-LT-0033**), IRPL advised Stage 2 would likely commence on 15 September 2025.

The revised commencement date for Stage 2 construction is now 27 November 2025, following approval of the CEMP sub-plan and monitoring program (C21 - Construction Traffic, Transport & Access Management Plan and C27 - Traffic, Transport & Access Monitoring Program).

Stage 2 works were discussed with the Department during the monthly meetings on 10 October 2025 and 14 November 2025. These works do not impact flooding and do not require approval of the Flood Design Verification Report (**FDVR**).

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Possession works will include:

- Remove fence-line on the edge of the rail corridor
- Remove existing grass and level ground within existing rail corridor to allow RRE and FEL equipment to safely remove rail from the train
- RRE and FEL unload train and stockpile material within CIZ
- Reinstate the area within the rail corridor to the original site
- Reinstate fencing along boundary

Additional Stage 2 works will include:

- Clearing and Grubbing
- Utilities works
- Access tracks

If you wish to discuss any of the above further, please contact Ian Irwin, Program Environment Manager at liirwin@inlandrail.com.au on 0411 175 609 or myself at CStrachan@inlandrail.com.au on 0448 552 941.

Yours sincerely



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