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Input to SEARs – State Significant Infrastructure

Proposal: McPhillamys Water Supply Pipeline

Major Project reference: SSI-99419963

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Dear Mandana

Thank you for inviting SEARS input from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal.

In preparing this advice Heritage NSW has reviewed the provided scoping report. The proposed Water Supply Pipeline potentially interacts with several State Heritage Register listed items and locally listed items. Heritage NSW recommends that the following Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements be included with respect to environmental heritage in relation to the proposed McPhillamys Water Supply Pipeline (SSI-99419963).

1. A suitably qualified heritage consultant is to:
 - a. Identify all heritage items within the site and its vicinity including built heritage, landscapes and archaeology, map these items, and assess why the items and site(s) are of heritage significance;
 - b. Assess the impacts of the proposal on any identified heritage items in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Statements of Heritage Impact. Discuss the attempts to avoid and/or mitigate the impact on the heritage significance of the site and the surrounding heritage items including any options analysis.
 - c. Assess the visual impacts of the proposal on any heritage item(s) within the view catchment of the proposal.
 - d. If impacts on potential historical archaeology are identified, an historical archaeological assessment should be prepared by a suitably qualified archaeologist in accordance with the guidelines Archaeological Assessment and Assessing Significance for Historical Archaeological Sites and Relics.

As the site is in the vicinity of a local heritage item, you should seek advice from the relevant local council.

If you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact Alison Lamond at Heritage NSW on (02) 9873 8500 or heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW

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