

Monday, 16 June 2025

**RE: Submission response to the Environmental Impact Statement for the Finley Battery Energy Storage System (SSD-72430958)**

Murray Irrigation has extensively reviewed the information available on the NSW Planning Portal for the State Significant Development Application for the Finley Battery Energy Storage System (application number SSD-72430958) including the Environment Impact Statement with attention to the water requirements at item 6.8 and the Water Impact Assessment Appendix L.

Murray Irrigation notes that *subject to the implementation of best-practice environmental management measures, including a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and supporting plans*, the development is not expected to result in significant impacts on surface water quality, erosion, sedimentation or the Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems. Additionally, the development is intended to align with best practice for flood risk management.

Murray Irrigation notes that the development does not intend to or need any volumetric water licencing requirement issued by Murray Irrigation during the construction or ongoing operation.

Murray Irrigation notes that the design of the proposed infrastructure including the proposed method for underboring activities is to be developed in consultation with Murray Irrigation Ltd, and is to align with Murray Irrigation's Works Policy.

Murray Irrigation appreciates the preliminary and ongoing engagement with the proponent in finalizing the proposed infrastructure to ensure compliance to the requirements for minimum separation distances from irrigation infrastructure and underboring distances specific to the establishment of the proposed underground transmission cables transecting Mulwala No. 19 Channel.

Murray Irrigation encourages the proponent to continue its engagement via email to [customersupport@murrayirrigation.com.au](mailto:customersupport@murrayirrigation.com.au) or telephone 1300 138 265.

Yours Sincerely,



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