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Dear Lauren

Subject: Biodiversity Conservation Division Review of State Significant Infrastructure Modification Detailed Environmental Assessment Report, Hexham Train Support Facility MOD 1 MP 07_0117

I refer to your e-mail dated 25 June 2019 in which the Planning and Assessment Division of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) invited the Biodiversity and Conservation Division (BCD) of DPIE (at the time of the request known as the Office of Environment and Heritage) to review the State Significant Infrastructure Modification Detailed Environmental Assessment Report for the Hexham Train Support Facility MOD 1, MP 07_0117.

BCD has reviewed the Environmental Assessment Report, including relevant appendices, annexures, attachments and parts of the documents titled 'State Significant Infrastructure Modification: Detailed Environmental Assessment Report' (prepared by Ethos Urban and dated 12 June 2019) in relation to impacts on flooding, coastal, biodiversity and National Parks and Wildlife Service Estate.

BCD has no comments in relation to flooding or flood risk, coastal impacts or impacts to National Parks and Wildlife Service Estate.

In relation to biodiversity impacts, BCD considers that the modification will not increase the impact on biodiversity values on the site and that a biodiversity development assessment report is not required, in accordance with clause 30A(2)(c) of the Biodiversity Conservation (Savings and Transitional) Regulation 2017.

Please note BCD has not reviewed the Aboriginal cultural heritage component of the Environmental Assessment Report and is unable to provide comment in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage at this time.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Brendan Mee, Acting Senior Team Leader, on 4904 2730 or via email at rog.hcc@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

10 July 2019

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