



Department of Primary Industries

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Dear Mr Davies

Walgett Solar Farm (SSD 8095) Comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

I refer to your email of 1 March 2017 to the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter. Comment has been sought from relevant divisions of DPI. Views were also sought from NSW Department of Industry - Lands that are now a division of the broader Department and no longer within NSW DPI. Any further referrals to DPI can be sent by email to landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

DPI has reviewed the EIS and provides the following recommendations and advice:

- The EIS identifies that water will be required for a number of purposes during and post construction. Water supply arrangements and sources should be confirmed prior to approval of the project in order to understand the water supply risks and to ensure any requirement for additional licensing is identified early and WMA approvals can be excluded where appropriate under Section 89J of the EP&A Act.
- All works on waterfront land should be carried out in accordance with [DPI Water's Guidelines for Controlled Activities on waterfront land \(2012\)](#).
- The proponent should prepare a Construction Environmental Management Plan in consultation with DPI Water (water.referral@dpi.nsw.gov.au).
- A licence is required to be granted to the proponent prior to the commencement of any works to facilitate the construction of the transmission line along a Crown road (please contact: lands.ministerials@industry.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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DPI appreciates your help to improve our advice to you. Please complete this three minute survey about the advice we have provided to you, here:
<https://goo.gl/o8TXWz>