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Mining & Industry Projects
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Dear Sir

Tarrawonga Mine Extension Project; Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

Thank you for your letter received 23 January 2012 referring the *Environmental Assessment* for the Tarrawonga Mine Extension project to Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) for consideration. Please note that this response incorporates comments from RMS Northern and Western Regions as the development is located in Narrabri Shire (Western) and the haulage impacts in are in Gunnedah Shire (Northern).

RMS notes:

The proposal seeks to use a short section of the Kamilaroi Hwy between Blue Vale Road and the Whitehaven Coal Handling and Processing Plant in Gunnedah Shire. Given that there is no proposed increase in truck movements during the initial period that the route is to be used the development is not considered to create a significant impact upon the road network. RMS considers that appropriate treatments are in place to cater for the number and types of vehicles currently using the intersection.

The documentation has been assessed and RMS makes no submissions regarding the proposed development. Please keep RMS informed of the progress of the Project Application.

Should you require any further information please contact Fiona Francis (02) 6861 1453.

Yours faithfully

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