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Dear Iwan

Flyers Creek Wind Farm MOD 3 (MP 08_0252 MOD 3) Environmental Assessment Exhibition

I refer to your email dated 18 May 2017 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) to provide comments on the Flyers Creek Wind Farm MOD 3 (the Project) Environmental Assessment (EA) Exhibition submitted by Flyers Creek Wind Farm Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

The Division has reviewed the adequacy of information supplied relation to the abovementioned modification and provides the following advice:

In satisfying the NSW Government's Renewable Energy Action Plan (2014), the Project demonstrates a contribution to the delivery of sustainable outcomes for a secure, reliable, affordable and clean energy future for the state working toward the nation target of 20 per cent renewable energy by 2020.

The Division is generally satisfied with the adequacy of the EA. Part 5 of the modification 3 application outlines that the consultation has been carried out with stakeholders and the community as required in the MP 08_0252 conditions of approval however, consultation with the surrounding title holders and the Division has not been noted within this document. Therefore, the Division further requests authentic consultation to be undertaken with title holders and the Division.

To facilitate the above consultation the Division offers the following information –

The titleholder underlying Flyers Creek proposed windfarm is Climax Australia Pty Limited (Climax). Climax is a wholly owned subsidiary of OceanaGold Corporation (Oceana). Oceana's Australian head office is based in Melbourne.

Climax is in Joint Venture with Newcrest Mining Limited (Newcrest) over the subject exploration licences, with Newcrest as Manager under the Joint Venture. Newcrest are also the owner of Cadia Valley Operations which operates the adjacent and contiguous Cadia Mine (Figure 1).

Contact details for Oceana and Newcrest are:

OceanaGold Corporation

Level 14, 357 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000 +61 03 9656 5300 Exploration Manager – Craig Feebrey

Newcrest Mining Limited

Level 8, 600 St Kilda Road Melbourne VIC 3004 +61 03 9522 5218 Exploration Manager – Benjamin Ackerman

For Reference: MP 08_0252 Conditions of Approval

Condition D39 of the Flyers Creek Wind Farm Project Approval issued 14 March 2014 requires ongoing consultation with the Department of Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services (as it was known) and mineral titleholders:

D39. Prior to the commencement of relevant construction works, the Proponent shall consult with the Department of Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services (Mineral Resources section) and holders of mineral, mining and exploration titles or tenements, with respect to measures to be applied during construction and operation of the Project so as to minimise the potential for any sterilisation of resources on the tenement.

The Division requests an amendment to condition D39 to reflect department and divisional name changes since the original consent to; *Department of Planning & Environment - Division of Resources & Geoscience.*

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact:

Adam Banister, Acting Senior Advisory Officer - Royalties & Advisory Services on (02) 4931 6439.

Yours sincerely



Matthew Gagan Senior Advisory Officer (Royalties) 5 June 2017

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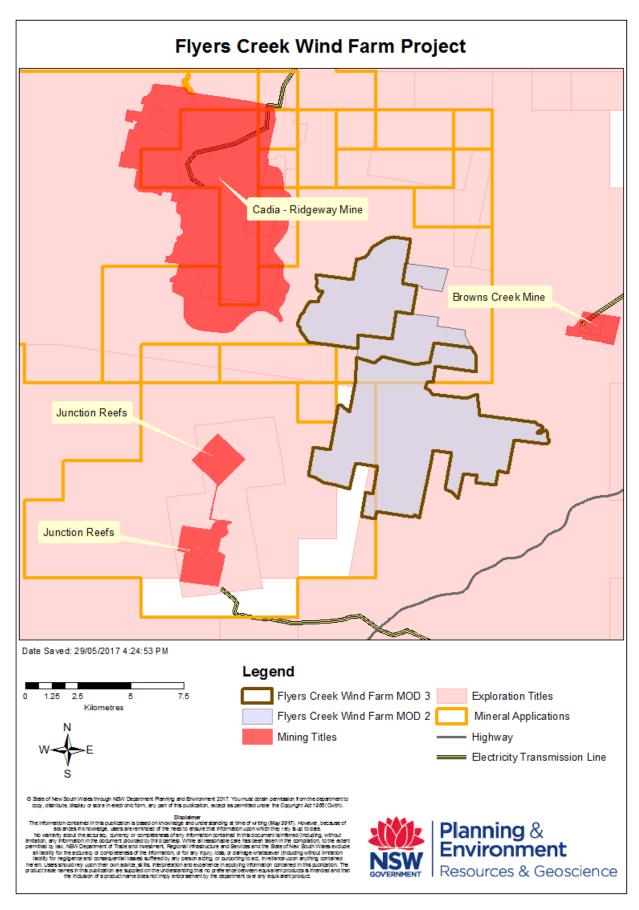


Figure 1 Title locations relative to the proposed Flyers Creek Wind Farm.