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Dear Ms Homsey,

Flyers Creek Wind Farm - Modification 4 - EIS

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed modification to the Flyers Creek Wind Farm Project (08_0252). I note the request for comments was sent to the general Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) e-mail address (info@fcnsw.com.au), which was then forwarded to the relevant staff members. I request any formal correspondence in relation to planning approvals within the Central Tablelands to be forwarded via post to the Fire and Stewardship Manager, Northern Softwood Region, PO Box 143, Bathurst NSW 2795.

In relation to the above modification, FCNSW can confirm we are in negotiation with the proponent regarding the 132kV transmission line and switching station proposed on State forest land. At this stage negotiations include compensation for the loss of timber and land value through an Easement Option Agreement, with the final proposed outcome being a registered Easement.

Flyers Creek Wind Farm have not provided FCNSW with final plans for the location of the proposed transmission line and we do not yet have a good understanding of the full affect to our estate. FCNSW has not been consulted in relation to a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan, which I understand is not required to be developed until just prior to decommissioning. The timeframe and actual decommissioning will depend on who owns the transmission line, which currently is not known. FCNSW seeks to ensure that whomever holds ownership of the line consults with FCNSW in the development of the Plan.

FCNSW also has not been consulted in relation to a Bushfire Management Plan. When this document is prepared, we seek to be closely consulted to ensure our estate is protected from fire risk.

Yours Sincerely,



Dan Kirby

Fire & Stewardship Manager
Northern Softwood Region