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Dear Toby,

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Re: Environmental Assessment for Flyers Creek Wind Farm (MP08_0252)

The Lachlan Catchment Management Authority (Lachlan CMA) would like to thank the NSW Dept Planning & Infrastructure for the opportunity to review the Natural Resource Management (NRM) in the Environment Assessment (EA) for the Flyers Creek Wind Farm Project development.

The overall objectives of the Preliminary Environmental Assessment will complement the objectives of the Lachlan Catchment Action Plan management targets for Land, Water, Community and Biodiversity if:

- Environmentally Sensitivity Area Mapping (ESA) is used to assist in the development of new Land Use Strategies, Development Control Plans and Local Environment Plans that incorporate sustainable NRM principles that identify and adequately protect key areas in the Blayney Shire.
- Consultation of the environmental sensitivity mapping layers (held by Blayney Shire Council) is advised and will indicate areas of concern that need to be addresses within the EA. They provide a high level mapping/planning framework to manage development in environmentally sensitive areas and are likely to lead to improved management of natural resources within the proposed development site.
- The Lachlan CMA supports the provisions for conservation of Biodiversity, Land, Riparian areas and developments on steep gradient land with highly erosive soil types in the EA.
- The Lachlan CMA suggest that an Operation Management Plan accompany the EA to address (during and post construction) access road and traffic plan, promotion of ground cover, protection of native vegetation and biodiversity, soil degradation issues, fauna impact study and water quality.

Casey Proctor, the Lachlan CMA Local Government Officer is available to discuss all aspect of this response, and can be contacted during business hours on 02 63419318 or casey.proctor@cma.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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