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Dear Ms Burn

Subject: Exhibition – Oakdale West Estate Stage 5 (SSD-22191322)

Thank you for your email received 4 August 2021 requesting comments on the above proposal. Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) has the following comments.

Biodiversity

A waiver to the requirement for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) was granted by EES on 30 July 2021 in relation to the proposed development.

The BDAR waiver report prepared by écologique dated 6 July 2021 identified that the toe of the proposed eastern embankment to Lot 4E is in close proximity to an area of retained native vegetation and suggests mitigation measure be applied to ensure impacts to this vegetation are avoided. These measures, detailed below, should be applied prior to and during any works occurring on site:

- Bushland protection fencing is to be installed around native vegetation for retention prior to works commencing on site. Clear signage is to be installed identifying that the vegetation is protected and that the area is a 'no go zone' for construction activities. Fencing should be installed a minimum of 5m from the outer edge of retained vegetation.
- To protect the retained vegetation from potential sediment laden runoff, sediment and erosion controls are to be installed prior to construction and maintained until the embankment has stabilised.
- Site induction processes must include details of vegetation to be retained and necessary protection measures when working within proximity to these areas.

Flooding/Floodplain Risk Management

Flood assessment of the Oakdale West Estate has been undertaken in 2017 as part of Stage 1 Construction under SSD 7348. Accordingly, there are no outstanding flood matters to be addressed at this stage.

If you have any queries please contact Shaun Hunt, Senior Conservation Planning Officer via shaun.hunt@environment.nsw.gov.au or 02 8275 1617.

Yours sincerely

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