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Hi Alison

DPI has had some administrative problem with the above matter with the referral not being received at my office. See interim comments from the NSW Office of Water below and I will chase up any comment from Crown Lands and forward formal response asap.

Regards
Wayne

The NSW Office of Water (Office of Water) has reviewed the Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report for Crudine Ridge Wind Farm. The Office of Water's response is in the same format of the Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report.

Chapter 17: Water Assessment (Page 38)

3.17.1: The Office of Water considers Statement of Commitments (SOC) 061 and 062 address the potential groundwater concerns associated with the project and the commitment by the proponent to undertake further groundwater assessment if required. However, the Office of Water should also be consulted in relation to SOC 061.

3.17.2: The Office of Water considers SOC 056, 057, 058, 059, 060 addresses the commitment by the proponent to minimise any impacts to riparian land and watercourses.

3.17.3: The Office of Water considers SOC 063 addresses the commitment by the proponent to obtain a reliable water supply for the project.

3.17.4: No further comment.

3.17.5: No further comment.

The Statement of Commitments outlined in the Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report should be incorporated into conditions on the project approval, if approved.

Outlined in our response to the Environmental Assessment, the Office of Water recommended the following conditions to be included in the project approval, if approved.

- The applicant must obtain a sustainable water supply for the life of the project.
- The proponent shall prepare a Construction Environmental Management Plan and Operational Water Management Plan in consultation with and to the satisfaction of the NSW Office of Water prior to commencement of activities.
- The design of waterway crossings for access roads and cable installations, and any associated in-stream works is to be included within the Construction Environmental Management Plan. These designs are to be prepared in accordance with NSW Office of Water's *"Guidelines for Controlled Activities on Waterfront Land (2012)"*.
- If rock anchoring is selected for wind tower foundations a groundwater assessment is to be undertaken and endorsed in consultation with the Office of Water prior to construction. The assessment is to include the risk of impact on existing licensed groundwater users and groundwater dependent ecosystems, and is to provide suitable mitigation measures. Any necessary licensing requirements under the *Water Management Act 2000* will also need to be obtained.

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