



## Department of Primary Industries

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Mr Lenox Tweneboa  
Major Projects Planning Portal NSW

Dear Mr Twenboa

**St Matthews School, Mudgee – 48 Broadhead Road, Spring Flat (Mid-Western Regional Council) (SSD Planning Proposal 9872)**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment for the above proposal as per your email dated 25 May 2020. The NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) Agriculture provides advice to consent authorities about the protection and growth of agricultural industries and the resources upon which these industries depend to provide economic growth.

DPI Agriculture have reviewed the proposal details and raises no objection to this proposal. It is noted that the Mudgee and Gulgong Urban Release Strategy 2014 proposes the future of this land as large lot residential development, and that it is identified for future urban purposes in the Mid-Western Council Regional Comprehensive Land Use Strategy (2010).

It is recommended that a land use conflict risk assessment be undertaken in relation to the adjoining lands that are used for agriculture. A Land Use Conflict Risk Assessment guide is available to assist with this and is available at:

[https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0018/412551/Land-use-conflict-risk-assessment-LUCRA-guide.pdf](https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0018/412551/Land-use-conflict-risk-assessment-LUCRA-guide.pdf)

Ideally mitigation measures should be included to deal with any risk from current or potential agricultural land uses in this area. The soil landscape that this proposal is located on has value for agriculture, as it also supports the viticultural industry to the north east of Mudgee. More information regarding mitigation is available in our Primefact – Buffer Zones to Reduce Land Use Conflict with Agriculture – An Interim Guideline available at:

[https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/841088/buffer-zones-to-reduce-land-use-conflict-with-agriculture.pdf](https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0011/841088/buffer-zones-to-reduce-land-use-conflict-with-agriculture.pdf)

Should you require clarification on any of the information contained in this response please contact Mary Kovac, Agricultural Land Use Planning Officer on (02) 68811250 or mobile 0427 949 987.

Yours sincerely

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