

Office of Environment & Heritage NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service



The Planner Caitlin Elliot EIS - Atlas-Campaspe Mineral Sands Project NSW Planning and Infrastructure

Dear Ms Elliot

EIS Atlas-Campaspe Mineral Sands Project

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NSW NPWS) is responsible for the management of Mungo National Park which is adjacent to the proposed Atlas-Campaspe mine. As NSW NPWS is part of the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) the key concerns have been included in the OEH submission.

Night lighting is a particular concern to NPWS and the stakeholders involved in the Aboriginal joint management of Mungo National Park. Tourism is an important focus for Mungo National Park and a key attraction for visitors is the remote location of the park and the opportunity to experience a clear night sky.

The OEH submission recommends that the condition of approval include a requirement that directional and light shields be installed at the Atlas and Campaspe work sites to minimise any impacts that may be experienced at key visitor nodes.

NSW NPWS would like to ensure that the matter is considered as part of the planning process and consideration is given to monitoring the impacts of the lighting.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the public exhibition. Please contact me if further information is required and/or to advise of the response to this matter.

Yours sincerely

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