

28 March 2019

NSW DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT  
PO Box 1226  
NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

Dear Sir/Madam

**Subject: MISC/259/2018/A - Mandalong Southern Extension Project - Mod 7**  
**LOT 54 DP 9632 LOTS 5/6 8 & 10 DP 262159 ML 1443 & 1543 SURFACE**  
**43.386Ha SUBSURFACE 3820.5Ha**  
**12 Kerry Anderson Drive, MANDALONG NSW 2264**

Council has reviewed Modification 7 to Development Consent SSD-5144 to include construction and associated works for a new 7.7km powerline corridor from Mandalong Road to the Mandalong Mine Access Site.

Council provides the following comments regarding this modification:

The proposal falls within land identified as flora and fauna corridor in Council's Native Vegetation and Corridor Map (2019). Accordingly, it is requested that an assessment be undertaken on post-construction corridor functionality (ie to demonstrate where and how fauna movement can occur along the proposed alignment post-development). Structures to facilitate fauna movement may be required.

Native vegetation is proposed for retention underneath the proposed transmission easement including span sections across valleys (Figure 9 and 10). It is requested that areas where clearing has been avoided are protected and secured via a legal mechanism, and on-ground fencing and signage is used to protect these areas from inadvertent clearing.

Clearing in the TL24 Offset Site is proposed. It is requested that the partial loss of this biodiversity offset site be offset within the Lake Macquarie Local Government Area, consistent with previous approvals relating to the TL24 Offset Site.

As a result of the vegetation clearing, it is anticipated that exposed soil will result in an erosion and sediment hazard. Council's Erosion and Sediment Control officer was not available to comment on this however on review of the Statement of Environmental Effects, this matter has only been addressed in a general way. Council requests that more specifically management detail is provided and appropriate conditions applied by the Department, particularly considering the soil landscape includes the Gorokan which has a high erosion hazard.

Should you require further information, please contact the undersigned on 4921 0256 or by e-mail on [sholmes@lakemac.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sholmes@lakemac.nsw.gov.au).

Yours faithfully

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