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Your Reference: PA 06\_0074 MOD 5  
Our Reference: DOC19/219591

Dear Mr Murphy

**Re: Peppertree Quarry - Modification 5 (PA 06\_0074 MOD 5) -  
Response to Submissions (RTS) - Part B**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the above matter. This is a response from the NSW Department of Planning & Environment – Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division).

The Division previously provided comment on PA 06\_0074 - MOD 5 for the Peppertree Quarry – RTS – Part A in February 2019 (Our Ref DOC19/93104). The Division's advice remains unchanged, with additional comments as below.

The Division has reviewed Part B of the above RTS, regarding potential resource sterilisation. We note that within Table 2.2 the proponent has advised there is no granodiorite resource under the proposed South-west Overburden Emplacement (SWOE) or Option 1. However, Options 2 and 3 would overlie mineral resources (the northern section of the granodiorite reserve). Options 2 and 3 would limit access to, and impede assessment of, the granodiorite resource, thus impacting future extraction of this resource. The Division's preferred option regarding alternative overburden emplacement areas would be Option 1 due to the reduced impacts on resources.

**Geoscience Information Services**

The Division has a range of online data related to mineral exploration, land use and general geoscience topics:

<http://www.resources.nsw.gov.au/geological/online-services>

The location of current exploration and mining titles in NSW, explanations of mining and production titles and the roles of community and government in the decision making process for mining/resource projects may be accessed by the general public using the following online utilities:

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DIVISION of RESOURCES & GEOSCIENCE  
PO Box 344 Hunter Region Mail Centre NSW 2310  
E: [landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au)  
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<https://resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/miners-and-explorers/geoscience-information/services/online-services/minview>

Queries regarding the above information, and future requests for advice in relation to this matter, should be directed to the Divisions Land Use team at [landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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