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Attn: Shayne Walker

Dear Mr Webster

Warrell Creek to Urunga (WC2U) Pacific Highway Upgrade (MP07_0112) – Stage 1 Nambucca Heads to Urunga (NH2U) - Threatened Flora Monitoring Report

I refer to the Pacific Highway NH2U Threatened Flora Monitoring Year 3 April 2020 Report which was submitted in accordance with Condition B7 and B10 of the approval for the Warrell Creek to Urunga project.

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and makes the following comments.

The Department notes that the Year 2 recommendations were not implemented and is supportive of the recommendations outlined in the Year 3 monitoring report to repeat the Rusty Plum enhancement planting program and implementing a weed control program.

In relation to the cessation of monitoring of in-situ plants, the Department notes the botanist's conclusion that ongoing survival of the plants is satisfactory and that it is unlikely that the construction of the project has affected the condition of the plants. The Department therefore approves the cessation of monitoring of in-situ plants, subject to the redirection of the funding saved from Years 4 and 5 monitoring towards additional Rusty Plum translocation efforts and weed management.

It is noted that monitoring of the translocation areas will continue in accordance with the Operational Phase Monitoring Program.

If you have any further queries or require clarification on this matter, please contact Annika Hather on (02) 9995 6662 or annika.hather@planning.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary

