

**Swati Sharma - Fwd: Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for Googong Water CycleProject (Major Project 08/0236)**

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To whom it may concern,

I send these comments on behalf of Daniel Walters who received a letter from Lisa Mitchell on 10th November 2010 inviting a written submission on the above-mentioned Environmental Assessment:

Thankyou for the invitation to comment on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Googong Water Cycle Project. Environment Protection, Department of the Environment, Climate Change, Energy and Water has reviewed the EA. In general it appears to be a robust and thorough assessment of the potential environmental impacts of the proposal.

However, I would raise the following suggestions:

The EA states that the development will consider and avoid potential impacts on Pink-tailed Legless Lizard and Hoary Sunray habitat (page XV of Executive Summary). The Pink-tailed Legless Lizard is a declared species in the ACT, and the regional impacts on ACT populations should be considered. Any clearance of habitat should be avoided, and offset if damage can't be avoided. The development should include consideration of cumulative impacts on the species.

It is noted that older surveys has been used to determine vegetation data for the subject site. Resurveying the area now may provide different results as the vegetation may well be in better condition than previously, particularly if land use has changed.

Please contact Kathryn Tracey on 6207 5717 if you have any queries in relation to these suggestions.

Regards,

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