

**Alexander Scott - RE: Googong Township Water Cycle Project modification**

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**Date:** 22/03/2013 2:47 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Googong Township Water Cycle Project modification

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Hi Alex,

In relation to your email below and subsequent phone discussions regarding this project; OEH advises that Modification Assessment (dated February 2103) submitted to DoP&I is consistent with the documents provided to OEH earlier this year for comment.

Those documents provided included:

- a. a letter and consultation summary prepared by Manidis Roberts (dated 23 January 2013);
- b. the salvage methodology proposed for GWTP2 prepared by Navin Officer Heritage Consultants (dated October 2012);
- c. the responses from the Registered Aboriginal Parties (dated 6 December and 9 December 2012); and
- d. a letter prepared by Manidis Roberts (dated 21 December 2012) responding to the Buru Ngunawal Aboriginal Corporation.

As such, OEH confirms its advice to Manidis Roberts (dated 6 February 2013) whereby; OEH is satisfied that, given the nature of the site and the results of previous archaeological investigations undertaken in the surrounding area, the proposed salvage methodology and consultation undertaken to date is appropriate to mitigate impacts to Aboriginal heritage site GWTP2. OEH notes that the proposed salvage methodology and relocation of artefacts is consistent with the conditions of an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) previously issued by OEH for the adjacent Googong New Town Neighbourhood 1A development. OEH also supports the commitment of the proponent to continue to consult with the Registered Aboriginal Parties and to also provide opportunities for Registered Aboriginal Parties to be involved in the proposed salvage of Aboriginal heritage site GWTP2 through surface collection.

With regard to conditions; OEH would recommend that the draft condition of approval proposed in the Modification Assessment document (under section 7, page 15) include a statement regarding the need to relocate collected artefacts in accordance with the 'Back to Country' Proposal dated 24 June 2010, so as to be consistent with the AHIP issued by OEH for the associated new Town development. OEH recommends the inclusion of two additional conditions:

1. Development activities within the recorded boundaries of GWTP2 should be minimised wherever possible; and
2. The sites GWTP3 and GH12 should be clearly marked on the ground so as to provide a clear visual marker to persons or vehicles working within the vicinity of these sites.

In relation to the Aboriginal Site Recording Forms that OEH requested as part of our letter to Manidis Roberts on 6 February 2013, I can confirm that the relevant site cards were received that same day and have now been entered into AHIMS.

If you would like a copy of the information provided to OEH by Manidis Roberts earlier this year for your records, please let me know.

If you require any further information or clarification on this issue please feel free to give me a call.

Regards,  
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**From:** Alexander Scott [mailto:Alexander.Scott@planning.nsw.gov.au]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 14 March 2013 11:33 AM  
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Hi Jackie,

Further to our conversation yesterday, the Department is reviewing a modification proposal for the Googong Water Cycle project, which requires the salvage of an Aboriginal heritage deposit. The documentation included a letter written by you, giving feedback on the modification and requesting that Aboriginal heritage sites are registered on the state register.

Can you please review the application document and confirm your advice to the proponent (or otherwise), and that the site cards have been received? Any advice that you have on conditions will also be welcomed.

The application document is here: [http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/page/development-categories/transport--communications--energy---water/water-supply-works/?action=view\\_job&job\\_id=5838](http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/page/development-categories/transport--communications--energy---water/water-supply-works/?action=view_job&job_id=5838). Expand the 'Environmental Assessment' option and its the pdf. I'll likely write to you and request this more formally, but my manager's been away for a couple of days so I haven't been able to get a letter signed, but I wanted to get the ball rolling. The letter will likely ask you to respond within 14 days but it would be greatly appreciated if you were able to respond sooner.\

Kind regards,

**Alexander Scott**

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