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Dear Ms Thornton

**Ravensworth Composting Facility Expansion (SSD-9418) (Singleton Shire).  
EIS Exhibition**

I refer to your email of 20 November 2019 to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) Water and the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) about the above matter.

The following recommendation for you to consider is provided by DPIE Water and NRAR. Please note Crown Lands, the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) – Fisheries and DPI - Agriculture all now provide a separate response directly to you.

**Pre-approval**

Under the *Water Management Act 2000* the take of water stored in Void 4 is a licensable requirement and is to be accounted for against a water access licence (WAL). Therefore it is recommended that:

- The proponent identifies the WAL to which the estimated take of 125 ML/year water is to be accounted against.

Any further referrals to DPIE – NRAR & Water can be sent by email to:

[landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au).

Any further referrals to (a) Crown Lands; (b) DPI – Fisheries; and (c) DPI – Agriculture can be sent by email to: (a) [lands.ministerials@industry.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lands.ministerials@industry.nsw.gov.au); (b) [ahp.central@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ahp.central@dpi.nsw.gov.au); and (c) [landuse.ag@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.ag@dpi.nsw.gov.au) respectively.

Yours sincerely

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