

Our ref: DOC21/110718 Your ref: SSD-10438

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Advice provided via the Major Project Portal

Dear Mr Hand

## Response to Submissions - Waterloo Metro Quarter OSD - Basement Car Park Detailed Design SSDA (SSD-10438) (City of Sydney)

Thank you for your referral dated 17 February 2021 inviting comment from Heritage NSW on the Response to Submissions (RTS) report for the above State Significant Development (SSD).

Heritage NSW has reviewed the RTS report and note the information in the response (RTS page 11) outlining that an error in the EIS incorrectly references mitigation measures for Aboriginal heritage in Table 21, section 9.2. We note the proposed update to the mitigation measures removes any measures for Aboriginal heritage (RTS, Table 7, page 36).

Based on the RTS we understand that Aboriginal cultural heritage matters will be managed in accordance with the CSSI Approval 7400. Given previous assessments for the area have recognised there is potential for Aboriginal objects to occur, as well as the potential for deeper dune deposits to remain intact, we would advocate for some mitigation measures to manage any Aboriginal cultural heritage values be included. We recommend the mitigation measures in the RTS be amended to include reference to Aboriginal cultural heritage and the requirement to follow the CSSI approval and an Unexpected Finds Protocol.

Please note: the above comments relate to Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation matters only. You may wish to seek separate advice from Heritage NSW in relation to matters under the *Heritage Act 1977*.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice please contact me on (02) 6229 7089 or via email at <u>jackie.taylor@environment.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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