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Advice provided via the Major Project Portal

Dear Mr Kelly

Modification Application – Newcastle Inner City Bypass – Rankin Park to Jesmond - Modification 1 Additional ancillary facilities (SSD-6888 Mod 1)

Thank you for your email dated 17 June 2021 requesting advice from Heritage NSW on the application to modify the approved Newcastle Inner City Bypass – Rankin Park to Jesmond to allow for additional construction compounds.

Heritage NSW has reviewed the available supporting documentation. We note that the proposed modifications requested by Transport for NSW include the following:

- Establishment and use of an additional four construction compounds at Peatties Road, Cardiff Road, Astra Street and Lookout Road in Condition A1 to enable the establishment and use of four additional construction compounds during construction of the project.
- Removal of Conditions A29 A33 'compliance monitoring and reporting program' conditions and replacement with standard 'Notification of commencement' conditions to align with recent approvals.
- In Condition E63 update the reference to 'EIS and the SPIR' to 'documents listed in condition A1' to enable the use of local roads for the proposed additional construction compounds to be approved by the Planning Secretary via approval of the proposed modification.

It is noted that there would be no change to the strategic context for the project, with the proposed modification required to facilitate and enable the project to be constructed safely.

The modification application provides a summary of the previously assessed Aboriginal cultural heritage values for the project area. We note that additional Aboriginal archaeological assessment has been conducted and prepared by Kelleher Nightingale Consulting Pty Ltd (February 2021) to ensure that Aboriginal cultural heritage matters have been assessed. Heritage NSW is satisfied the application has considered and addressed Aboriginal cultural heritage matters for the project. Heritage NSW has no further comments to make at this time.

If you have any questions regarding these comments please contact Kym McNamara, at Heritage NSW, on (02) 6229 7028 or by email: <u>kym.mcnamara@environment.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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