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Dear Phil

Narrabri Mine Modification 7 (MP08_0144-Mod-7)

Thank you for your email dated 26 July 2021 to the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS) inviting comments on the proposed Narrabri Mine Modification 7.

BCS understands that under the proposed modification:

- Longwall mining of longwalls 109 to 111 and 203 to 209 would continue
- The mining method for longwalls 201 and 202 will be changed to bord and pillar extraction due to challenging geological conditions and other operational factors.
- No changes are made to the approved surface development footprint.

BCS has no specific comments to make on the proposed modification. The assessment provided indicates the proposed modification is not expected to increase the previously predicted biodiversity impacts of the project, with impacts remaining consistent with the approved Narrabri Mine. The implementation of the bord and pillar extraction method may result in a minor reduction in overall subsidence effects and long-term ground water level and flow impacts.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Erica Baigent, Conservation Planning Officer, via erica.baigent@environment.nsw.gov.au or (02) 6883 5311.

Yours sincerely



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