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Dear Ms Cleary,

Subject: Notice of Exhibition – Westmead Catholic Community Education Campus, 2 Darcy Road, Westmead (SSD 10383) (City of Parramatta)

Thank you for your e-mail dated 31 March 2020, inviting Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) in the Department to comment on the Notice of Exhibition for the Westmead Catholic Community Education Campus.

EES has reviewed the relevant documentation and make the following comments.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report

EES notes that an ACHAR has been submitted and prepared by Comber Consultants dated February 2020, and EES recommends that should an approval be granted that any recommendations within the ACHAR form part of conditions of consent.

Biodiversity

A Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR Waiver) was approved on 19 November 2019.

Flooding

EES has no further flooding comments based on the information provided in NOTHROP report dated 3 March 2020.

Riparian Land

EES recommends that should the proposal be approved the following form a condition of consent:

- A landscaping Plan be submitted indicating any proposed planting in the riparian corridor should consist of a diversity of local native provenance species (trees, shrubs and groundcover species) from the relevant native vegetation community that occurs along the corridor.

Urban Tree Canopy and Landscaping

EES recommends that should the proposal be approved the following form a condition of consent;

- A Landscaping Strategy be prepared that
 - identifies any trees and other vegetation to be removed or retained on site
 - includes details on the native vegetation community (or communities) and native plant species that once occurred in this location
 - specifies that any landscaping will use a diversity of local provenance native species

(trees, shrubs and groundcovers) from the native vegetation community (or communities) that once occurred on the site to improve biodiversity

- includes a list of local native provenance species (trees, shrubs and groundcovers) to be used in the site landscaping
- uses a diversity of advanced size local native trees preferably with a plant container pot size of 100-200 litres, or greater in the landscape areas
- provides enough area/space to allow any planted trees to grow to maturity on the site and
- any trees proposed to be removed should be replaced at ratio of greater than 1:1 to assist improve the urban tree canopy and to mitigate the urban heat island effect
- including a maintenance regime for landscaping for a period of 12 months including the replacement of any plants lost during this time.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Bronwyn Smith Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9873 8604 or Bronwyn.smith@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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