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No Comment to Planning Advice Request

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-26345049) requesting input from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on the SEARs for the proposed construction of the Hawkesbury Centre of Excellence (Application SSD-15001460) on the Western Sydney University (Hawkesbury Campus) at 2 College Street, Richmond.

The proposal is for the construction of an agricultural and STEM education facility which includes:

- an administrative building plus three (3) separate buildings for teaching
- · dining and recreation areas and associated amenities
- short-term accommodation and storage buildings
- parking facilities and necessary roadways, landscaping, associated infrastructure and stormwater drainage upgrades.

Based on the information provided, the proposal does not appear to require an environment protection licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*.

As a result, the EPA has no comments to provide on this project. No follow-up consultation is required. Hawkesbury City Council should be consulted as the appropriate regulatory authority for the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to the proposal.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Environment Line on 131 555 and quote the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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