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Dear Ms Coomar,

Subject: Supplementary Response to Submissions – Westmead Catholic Community Campus

Thank you for your email of 9 September 2021 requesting input from Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) on the Supplementary Response to Submissions (SRtS) for Westmead Catholic Community Education Campus, 2 Darcy Road, Westmead. EES has reviewed the SRtS (Ethos Urban, 6 September 2021) and attachments and makes the following comments.

## Riparian Land

EES notes that landscaping is not proposed within the riparian land and has no further comments.

## Urban Tree Canopy and Landscaping

EES notes that *Landscape Key Design Notes and Plan* (Northrop, 3 September 2021) addresses tree removal and replacement and provides an indicative plant schedule. EES recommends that the following be inserted as a condition of consent:

## A Landscaping Strategy be prepared that

- identifies any trees and other vegetation to be removed or retained on site and the location of the 130 proposed replacement trees
- specifies landscape planting of 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
- 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
- includes a maintenance regime for landscaping for a period of 12 months including the replacement of any plants lost during this time.

If you have any queries please contact Dana Alderson, Senior Project Officer Planning via Dana.Alderson@environment.nsw.gov.au or 02 8837 6304.

Yours sincerely

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