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The Director
The Department of Planning, Industry & Environment
Resource and Energy Assessments
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**Attention: Jack Turner** 

Dear Jack Turner

## SSD-5012 MOD 2 - PROPOSED EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY - ATLAS-CAMPASPE MINERAL SANDS, BALRANALD - WORKFORCE SHUTTLE BUS

Thank you for referring correspondence regarding the subject application via the NSW Planning Portal dated 13 January 2022 inviting comment from Transport for NSW (TfNSW).

TfNSW has reviewed the information provided, including the Modification Report dated 30 November 2021 prepared by Tronox. It is understood that the modification is in respect to the Development Consent for SSD-5012 dated 6 June 2014. From the information provided it is understood that in relation to the road network the main changes proposed by the modification can be summarised in the following:

- The proposed shuttle buses would be classified as a 'heavy vehicle' in accordance with the definition included in Development Consent SSD\_5012 and therefore would not be approved to use the light vehicle access routes as per the approved routes within Appendix 3 and 3A of the Development Consent SSD-5012.
- The modification proposes to allow shuttle buses to access the Atlas-Campaspe Mine via a more direct access route.
- The proposed shuttle bus route follows the approved access route via Arumpo Road and Silver City Highway towards Mildura but proposes a different route towards Balranald via Marma Box Creek Road (between Link Road and Ivanhoe-Balranald Road).
- During peak construction up to 6 shuttle bus movements would be generated from the mine per day (4 towards Mildura and 2 towards Balranald) and once operational up to eight shuttle bus movements per day (6 towards Mildura and 2 towards Balranald). Project related light vehicles would also use the shuttle bus access route. Heavy vehicles would continue to use the approved haulage route. The number of light vehicles operating on the approved light vehicle access routes would reduce following introduction of shuttle buses as per Table 3 of the Modification Report dated 30 November 2021.

TfNSW provides the following comments for consideration as a part of the assessment of the modification by the consent authority:

- Table 3 in the Modification Report suggests shuttle buses would use Ivanhoe-Balranald Road (between Boree Plains Gol Gol Road and Sturt Highway) however the proposed shuttle bus route shown in Appendix 2 does not propose shuttle bus use within this section. Clarification is required.
- The Traffic Management Plan must be amended following any changes to the development consent.
- Appendix 3 and 3A are required to be amended to identify the light vehicle access route proposed as a part of this modification if the modification is approved by the consent authority.

If you have any questions, please contact Hayley.sarvanandan@transport.nsw.gov.au. Please ensure that any further referral correspondence is sent to development.western@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

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