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Dear Ms Moss

Subject: M12 Motorway (SSI-9364) - EIS Review

Thank you for your email of 16 October 2019. This is a response from the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment – Division of Resources & Geoscience.

The Division has reviewed and assessed the Environmental Impact Statement for the M12 Motorway (SSI-9364).

The EIS has identified one exploration licence (EL8429) partially overlapping the proposed project corridor and four extractive resource areas (quarries and/ or landfill sites with some extraction occurring) adjacent to the project corridor. The Division requests that consultation occurs with the exploration licence holder and operators of the extractive resource sites.

The Division requests to be consulted in relation to the proposed location of any biodiversity offset areas or any supplementary biodiversity measures to ensure there is no consequent reduction in access to prospective land for mineral exploration, or potential for sterilisation of mineral or extractive resources.

Queries regarding the above information, and future requests for advice in relation to this matter, should be directed to the Division of Resources & Geoscience - Land Use team at <a href="mailto:landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au">landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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