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Dear Mr Robinson

**Yarren Hut Solar Farm (SSD- 10415)
EIS**

I refer to your email of 12 August 2020 to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) Water and the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) about the above matter.

The following recommendations are provided by NRAR.

Prior to Project Determination

- The water demands for the construction and operational phase have been defined and are relatively minor volumes, however no confirmed agreements from third party providers to access the water have been identified.

Clarification should be provided of the ability to obtain the necessary water volumes from the site or confirm that a viable supply is available, via an indication of an agreement from a water supplier.

Where the water is to be sourced from a currently unauthorised source, an impact assessment and confirmation that the necessary entitlement can be obtained will be required.

Post Project Determination

- The proponent must obtain relevant approvals and licences under the *Water Management Act 2000* before commencing any works which intercept or extract groundwater or surface water (including from on-site dams where necessary) or for any works which have the potential to alter the flow of floodwaters.
- The proponent should prepare a Construction and Operational Environmental Management Plan (incorporating an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan) prior to commencement of activities.

Any further referrals to DPIE Water and NRAR can be sent by email to:
landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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