

23 September 2020

Mr Jim Betts  
Secretary  
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment  
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Dear Mr Betts

**REQUEST FOR SECRETARY'S ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS  
GRIFFITH BASE HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT – NEW FOUR STOREY HOSPITAL BUILDING AND ANCILLARY WORKS**

Health Infrastructure NSW (HI) is the proponent for the proposed redevelopment of Griffith Base Hospital at 5 – 39 Animoo Avenue, Griffith. As the proposal is for the purposes of a Health Services Facility with a capital investment value in excess of \$30 million, in accordance with Schedule 1, clause 14(a) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011* (SEPP SRD) it is State Significant Development for the purposes of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EPA Act).

The purpose of this letter is to request Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) in accordance with section 5.15 of the EPA Act for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed development. To support this request, a Scoping Report, providing an overview of the proposed development, the statutory context, and the key likely environmental and planning issues associated with the proposal, has been prepared by Urbis inclusive of Concept Architectural Plans prepared by DJRD Architects (**Attachment A**).

We trust that the information detailed in the attached Scoping Report is sufficient to enable the Secretary to issue the SEARs for the preparation of the EIS. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact John McFadden, Senior Town Planning Advisor on 0422 379 612.

Yours sincerely



**Rebecca Wark**  
Chief Executive

**Attachment A** – Scoping Report prepared by Urbis with Concept Architectural Plans prepared by DJRD Architects