

Appendix C: Correspondence and consultation



19 February 2018



ESCO Pacific
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Attn: Cédric Bergé
cedric@escopacific.com.au

Dear Cedric

RE: SANDIGO SOLAR FARM - RECONFIGURATION OF LOTS

Thank you for your email of 13 February 2018 providing details of the proposed reconfiguration of lots.

As stated, the proposed reconfiguration of the lots does not comply with the Narrandera Local Environmental Plan 2013. However, Narrandera Shire Council is supportive of the development and is therefore willing to provide in-principle agreement for the reconfiguration to proceed. Council wishes to ensure that no dwelling entitlement shall be attached to any newly created lots that are under the minimum lot size.

Please contact Council's Development and Environment section by telephone 02 6959 5510 or via email council@narrandera.nsw.gov.au if you have any further enquiries regarding these matters.

Yours sincerely



Helen Ryan
Manager Development and Environment

Date	Stakeholder	Method of Engagement	Outcome/Comment
5/10/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Phone call and email	ESCO Pacific contacted Council and provided general information about the project. Requested meeting for more information about the project and how Council can be involved
10/10/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Meeting	Project presentation before lodgement of PEA Scoping Report Request for GIS data
11/10/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	ESCO Pacific requested GIS data for the areas of interest. Information provided a few days later
18/10/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	ESCO Pacific requested information regarding local Aboriginal people for the Aboriginal Consultation
23/10/2017	Department of Planning and Environment	Meeting	Project presentation in Sydney: environmental and grid constraints, timeframe, strategy
24/10/2017	Office of Environment and Heritage - Albury	Email and Phone call	Project presentation for Aboriginal consultation
18/10/2017	The Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	NNTT	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	NTSCorp	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	Local Land Service - Riverina	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	Wagga Wagga LALC	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	Griffith LALC	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
18/10/2017	Leeton & Griffith LALC	Letter	Identification of Aboriginal parties (see ACHAR)
1/11/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	ESCO Pacific requested information regarding potential reconfiguration of the lots
2/11/2017	Narrandera Shire Mayor	Phone call	Project presentation: timeframe, process, involvement of Council
3/11/2017	Narrandera Council and councillors	Email	ESCO Pacific provided information regarding PEA and Application indicative timeframes
21/11/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	Narrandera Shire Council offered to contact neighbours within 5km of the project and include ESCO Pacific's letter and project factsheet

4/12/2017	Neighbours within 5 km of the project area	Letter	Narrandera Shire Council Mailout to dwelling within 5km - Included information of proposed project and invited to Community Consultation Meeting
5/12/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	ESCO Pacific requested information regarding Mimosa pit (sand quarry) a few hundred metres north of the project boundaries
7/12/2017	Local newspaper (3 issues)	Public Notice	Newspaper advertisement for Community Consultation Meeting
12/12/2017	Dwelling D5 (Southeast)	Phone call	Phone call to discuss the project and arrange meeting before Community Consultation. Could not meet on that day - another date to be set later.
14/12/2017	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Meeting	Meeting at their house: project presentation - discussed potential impacts including access and visual impact
14/12/2017	Narrandera Shire Council	Meeting	Project presentation to General Manager - planning timeframe, potential impact, local workforce involvement during construction. General Manager to attend the Community Session
14/12/2017	Community	Community Session	Community members attendance at Community Consultation Meeting (~17 people in attendance) Meeting introduced ESCO Pacific and project. Answered typical questions, job creation, access, the approval process and ongoing neighbour engagement. Questions about: - visual impact and landscape planting - number of jobs created - noise from inverters - access route - potential ecological impacts - construction impacts
19/12/2017	Community	Email	Follow up emails: invitation to continue consultation after community session
19/12/2017	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Email	Sent footprint map and encouraged to discuss potential issues if any
19/12/2017	Neighbour within 5km of the project (but > 1.5kms)	Email	Sent footprint map and encouraged to discuss potential issues if any
8/01/2018	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	Council provided information about pits in Sandigo. Knights pit is operational and use for local roads. Mimosa pit is not operational at the moment.

8/01/2018	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Email	Neighbour addressed concerns and suggestions if stage 2 of the project (300MW) was to be developed in the future. ESCO Pacific committed to keeping the neighbour updated with progression.
10/01/2018	Dwelling D1 (Landholder)	Phone call - site visit	ESCO Pacific and Environmental consultants assessed visual impact from Landowner's house
10/01/2018	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Phone call	Requested authorisation to assess potential visual impact from one of the dwellings on the property (#3). Discussed EIS progress and timeframes. The neighbour wanted more information on potential stage 2 of the project (southern lots). ESCO Pacific informed only stage 1 was to be lodged, and committed to contacting them again if stage 2 was going ahead
19/01/2018	Narrandera Shire Council	Email and Phone call	ESCO Pacific requested assistance to contact some of the closest neighbours. Narrandera Shire Council called the closest neighbours and offered them to contact ESCO Pacific directly if they had specific issues/concerns to raise
23/01/2018	OEH - Steve Manwaring	Email	Provided details on how to address flood modelling requirements (SEARs) within the EIS.
23/01/2018	All neighbours within 1.5kms	Phone call (Council)	Council called all neighbours within 1.5kms of the project and encouraged them to contact ESCO Pacific if they had concerns. No one contacted ESCO Pacific after this.
24/01/2018	Landholder to the North (no dwelling)	On site meeting	ESCO Pacific met with the landholder (no house on the property) and discussed the project (timeline...). No major issue, supports the project.
24/01/2018	Dwelling D3 (East)	Door knocking	ESCO Pacific knocked on door - no one seemed to be there at that time
24/01/2018	Dwelling D2 (Northeast)	Door knocking	Dwelling looked abandoned - only agricultural material storage
9/02/2018	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Phone call	Neighbour called to have updates on the project. ESCO Pacific informed EIS should be lodged by end of February and mentioned exhibition period.
13/02/2018	Narrandera Shire Council	Email and Phone call	ESCO Pacific discussed proposed reconfiguration of the lots for the Sandigo Solar Farm. Council's Manager Development & Environment will respond by 19/02/2018
14/02/2018	Dwelling D5 (Southeast)	Phone call	ESCO Pacific called neighbour and notified EIS would soon be lodged. Informed we completed visual and nuisance assessment, with no major impact. Asked if any questions about the project - happy with project - all questions have been answered.

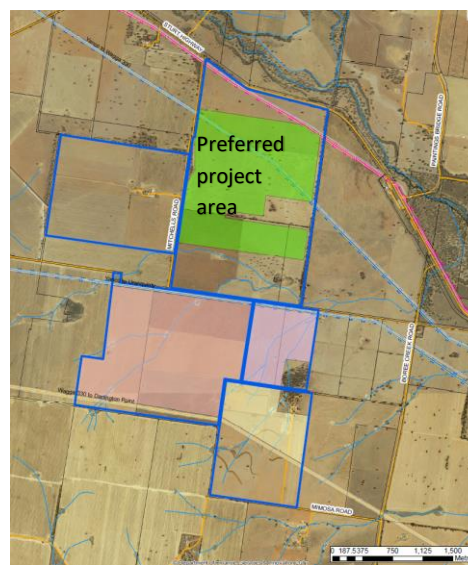
14/02/2018	Dwelling D3 (East)	Phone call (voice message)	ESCO Pacific called neighbour, left message and contact details. Second attempt another time later that day
14/02/2018	Landholder to the North (no dwelling)	Email	Landholder associated with the project had concerns regarding electromagnetic fields from the inverters. ESCO Pacific explained that EMF is related to the strength of the source, duration of exposure and distance a person stands from the source, given that dissipation of the EMF is exponential over a distance. ESCO Pacific provided ARPANSA factsheet and other information. Issued addressed in EIS.
15/02/2018	Dwelling D3 (East)	Phone call (voice message)	ESCO Pacific left another voice message with contact details
16/02/2018	Dwellings D9&D8 (South-Southwest)	Email	Neighbour sent an email to register interest in possible earthmoving sub-contract work.
19/02/2018	Narrandera Shire Council	Email	Narrandera Shire Council sent through Letter of support for proposed subdivision
23/02/2018	Community	Email	Follow up email: Pre-lodgement update with presentation of layout plan to be attached to EIS. Invitation to continue consultation during exhibition period and assessment of application

Sandigo Solar Farm

ESCO Pacific is a leading Australian developer of utility scale solar farms with a proven track record of developing projects from early stage feasibility through to financial close and ultimately project commissioning.

Project Facts

Website	www.sandigosolarfarm.com.au
Capacity	Current application is for approx. 100MW
Technology	Horizontal Tracking
Modules	~300,000 solar panels
Project Cost	\$85 million dollars for a 100MW project
Location	Approx. 25km southeast of Narrandera
Connection Point	Transgrid 132kV
DPE Contact	www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au



The Sandigo Solar Farm is a utility scale renewable energy project with an output measuring up to 100 megawatts (MW) that will generate clean and renewable electricity from the power of the sun. The project will generate enough electricity to power the equivalent of approximately 160,000 homes.

The \$85 million dollar project is located southeast of the township of Narrandera in the Narrandera Shire Council. The project site was chosen due to its proximity to Transgrid's transmission network, access from the Sturt highway and relatively flat land.

The solar farm will comprise of up to 300,000 solar photovoltaic modules, known more commonly as 'solar panels'. The solar panels are identical in type but larger in size to those used in residential solar installations installed on homes throughout Australia.

The solar panels will be installed on ground-mounted frames that will slowly track the daily horizontal movement of the sun. The solar panels will generate direct current ('DC') electricity that will be inverted to alternating current ('AC') via power conversion units. The power conversion units located within the site will feed AC electricity into an onsite power reticulation system before the power is centrally collected and dispatched to the local electricity distribution network via the Transgrid transmission network.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Proposed Sandigo Solar Farm Community Information Session

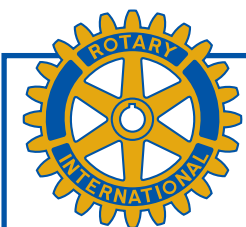
ESCO Pacific invites local residents to attend a **community information session** on the proposed Sandigo Solar Farm. The proposed site is located 25km southeast of Narrandera on land bordered by Sturt Highway, Mitchells Road and Kywong Road.

Date: Thursday 14th December 2017, 6pm – 7pm
Venue: Narrandera Ex Servicemen's Club
41 Bolton St, Narrandera

Please register your interest to attend at info@escopacific.com.au or contact us on 03 8595 2406.

For more information please visit
www.escopacific.com.au
and www.sandigosolarfarm.com.au

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LIL MILLS MEMORIAL TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Application forms from Narrandera High School, Close Pharmacy and Narrandera & District Community Bank branch.

Closing date: Friday 15 December 2017
Interviews conducted on Friday 12 January 2018

Can Assist CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

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2nd: L. Metcalf No 278246

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50 Riverine Street, 9am start. Midgeon St entry. General household goods & bric-a-brac. *All must go!*

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Persons apprehended trespassing upon or shooting over the land area of Brewarrina Station will be prosecuted. Ansett Brewarrina Holdings Pty Ltd.

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Lake Midgeon. Persons are warned against shooting, hunting, wood carting or otherwise trespassing on the property of **Lake Midgeon.** All previous permission is hereby cancelled.

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LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL
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Waste & Recycling Coordinator

Council is seeking a highly motivated person to fill the position in the Environment and Engineering Department to coordinate operations at the Leeton Landfill and Recycling Depot situated at Corbie Hill Road, Leeton.

The position will be responsible for the operational management of waste services, including oversight of the landfill, various waste contracts, ensuring compliance with all legislative and regulatory requirements. The applicant must possess a degree or an appropriate tertiary qualification in Applied Science (Environmental Health), Waste Management, Environmental Management or other relevant area with a minimum of three (3) years relevant work experience.

Please access Council's website www.leeton.nsw.gov.au for a more detailed advertisement and position description or contact Greg Richards, Manager Water & Waste on (02) 6953 0932 for further information.

Applications close on **Thursday 15th December 2017** and need to address the selection criteria.

Leeton Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer

CHURCH NOTICES



ANGLICAN CHURCH

Larmer Street
Friday, December 8
8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Communion
Saturday, December 9
5pm Holy Communion
1st Saturday of month
Family/Children's Service
Wednesday, December 13
8.30am Morning Prayer
Rev Michael Perrott
Phone 6959 2089
3rd Sunday each month
Holy Communion – 8am
1st Sunday each month
Sunday Praise – 5pm

CATHOLIC CHURCH

St Mel's Parish, Narrandera
Saturday, December 9
6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, December 10
8am Galore
9.30am Narrandera
**SEVENTH DAY
ADVENTIST CHURCH**
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Saturday, December 9
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kokeunil@hotmail.com

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First Sunday of the month
17 Bells Road at 11am
Phone Roxy Heckendorf
on 6959 3190



Alicia Vogel of Close Narrandera Pharmacy draws last week's lucky winner in the Narrandera Business Group's Christmas in Narrandera promotion.



The winner of the \$100 voucher, Angelo Patane of Griffith, is keen for some Christmas gift inspiration on offer in Narrandera.

There is only one week and one weekly draw until the major prize draw on Saturday December 16. To enter the draw, shop at participating local businesses and fill out a ticket.

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Email your classified advertisement to classifieds@narranderaargus.com.au 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

In Person – just drop into our office at 167 East Street, Narrandera from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Deadlines

12noon two business days prior to publication.
Tuesday for Thursday's edition and Friday for Tuesday's edition.

Cancellations of advertisements must be made by 9am the day prior to publication.

23rd November 2017

Dear Resident,

Re: Proposed Sandigo Solar Farm Development

By way of introduction ESCO Pacific is a leading Australian developer of utility scale solar farms. Our leading project, the 148MW Ross River Solar Farm is currently under construction. Once operational the \$225 million dollar project will generate electricity to feed into the distribution network, equivalent to the average consumption of 65,000 homes.

ESCO Pacific wish to inform you of our proposed solar farm development on land located at Mitchells Road, Sandigo. A preliminary Development Application has been lodged with the Department of Planning and Environment and as part of this application process we are seeking your feedback on the project.

As neighbours to the proposed project, we would like to invite you to a community discussion about the project and answer any questions you may have. We will be holding a **Community Consultation Meeting from 6pm on Thursday 14th December at the Narrandera Ex Servicemen's Club, 41 Bolton St Narrandera.** We will stay on after this time to answer any additional questions as individuals prefer.

Should you have further questions or wish to discuss the proposal in more detail or register your interest to attend the community meeting, please contact ESCO Pacific using the contact details below. If you would like to stay up to date with the progress of this project, please contact us to register your details.

Kind regards,



Cédric Bergé
Project Manager

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