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Andrew Beattie
Team Leader Motorways
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

WestConnex M4-M5 Link Approval (SSI 7485)

Dear Andrew,

The WestConnex M4-M5 Link project (SSI 7485) requests that the Secretary of Planning modify the above approval to include the addition of the following condition.

Ancillary facilities that are not identified by description and location in the documents referred to in condition A1 can only be established and used in each case if:

- (a) they are located within or immediately adjacent to the construction boundary; and*
- (b) they are not located next to sensitive receiver(s) (including where an access road is between the facility and the receiver), unless the sensitive receiver(s) (both the landowner(s) and occupier(s)) have given written acceptance to the carrying out of the relevant facility in the proposed location; and*
- (c) they have no impacts on heritage items (including areas of archaeological sensitivity), threatened species, populations or ecological communities beyond the impacts approved under the terms of this approval; and*
- (d) The establishment and use of the facility can be carried out and managed within the outcomes set out in the terms of this approval, including in relation to environmental, social and economic impacts.*

During the preparation of the EIS and PIR, concept plans of the construction ancillary facility layouts were presented. Since site establishment, the ancillary facility layouts have been rearranged and refined by the construction contractors on both the M4-M5 Link Mainline Tunnels (Stage 1) and Rozelle Interchange (Stage 2) to more appropriately align with the detailed construction methodologies adopted on each applicable stage. As a whole, the WestConnex M4-M5 Link Project is now well established and ancillary facilities are being managed accordingly within the respective communities. However, to facilitate the efficient delivery of the project stages, there may be an opportunity and/or requirement for additional sites to be utilised during the rest of construction or for distinct periods of time during construction. These sites may not have been available for consideration of use during the preparation of the EIS and PIR but have now become available.

The impacts of sites established in accordance with the proposed Condition would be appropriately managed, minimised, or offset to an acceptable level, in accordance with the management plans already developed, such as the Site Establishment Management Plan and Construction Environment Management Plan for the applicable stages.

The modification would bring about consistency with previous and subsequent planning approvals by the Minister for Planning and Open Space, for major infrastructure projects and provide opportunities for the M4-M5 Link project to be delivered in a more efficient and effective manner.

Please contact Peter Morrall, Environment Manager for Transport for NSW on 0448 072525 or peter.morrall@transport.nsw.gov.au, if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A McKindlay', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andrew McKindlay
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