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Our ref: SSD-39587022-PA-1
Via email

10 December 2025

Subject: Central Barangaroo Early Works – Hickson Road Interface, Condition C45 – Revised Archaeological Research Design Methodology

Dear Mr Kardash,

I refer to your submission dated 9 December 2025, requesting the Planning Secretary's approval of the revised Archaeological Research Design Methodology (ARDM) in accordance with Condition C45 of the Central Barangaroo Early Works – Hickson Road Interface consent (SSD-309587022).

I note the documents:

- have been reviewed by the proponent and no issues have been raised with the Department
- have been prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW of the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, and that Heritage NSW found the documents suitable
- have considered the ADREM provided with the original development application, and
- detail the trenches within the Central Barangaroo site to investigate and the testing methodologies to be carried out on site.

Accordingly, the Department has carefully reviewed the *Central Barangaroo Archaeological Research Design & Methodology*, prepared by ambs ecology + heritage, version 4, dated 29 August 2025 and is satisfied it meets the requirements of Condition C45 of the consent (SSD-309587022).

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

You are also reminded that Condition C45 requires a final excavation report to be provided to the Planning Secretary within 12 months of the completion of the archaeological excavation and that this component of the condition is not satisfied at this time.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Thomas Piovesan on (02) 9274 6158 or by email at thomas.piovesan@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anna Nowland', written in a cursive style.

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As nominee of the Planning Secretary