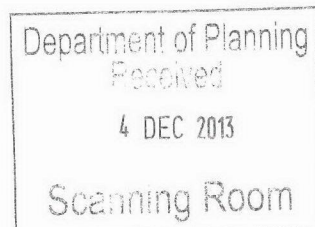




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Attention: Mr Matthew Sprott

GOLDEN HIGHWAY (B84) & OTHER CLASSIFIED ROADS: RESPONSE TO SUBMISSIONS & PREFERRED PROJECT REPORT FOR DRAYTON SOUTH COAL PROJECT (11_0062)

Dear Mr Sprott,

I refer to an email from Transport for NSW dated 6 November 2013 inviting Roads and Maritime Services to comment on the Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report for the proposed subject project.

Roads and Maritime Responsibilities

Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritimes primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues. In particular, the efficiency and safety of the classified road network, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport.

In accordance with the *Roads Act 1993*, Roads and Maritime has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. The Golden Highway (B84) is a classified (State) road. Roads and Maritime concurrence is required for connections to these roads with Council consent, under Section 138 of the Act. Council is the roads authority for these roads and all other public roads in the area.

Should road works be required on the classified (State) roads, Roads and Maritime would exercise the functions of roads authority under Sections 64 and 71 of the Act.

Roads and Maritime Response and Requirements

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report prepared by Hansen Bailey and has no further requirements.

Roads & Maritime Services

On the Minister's determination of this matter, it would be appreciated if a copy of the Project Approval is forwarded to Roads and Maritime for record and / or action purposes.

Please contact me on 4924 0688 if you require further advice.

Yours sincerely,



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