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Attention:

Anna Johnston

Dear Mr File.

## PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF BLACK HILL EMPLOYMENT LANDS (MP10\_0093)

I refer to your letter dated 25 February 2011 seeking comment on the Black Hill Employment Lands State Significant Site (SSS) Study, Part 3A Concept Plan Application and draft Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA). The Department of Transport (DoT) appreciates the opportunity to provide input to this matter.

The DoT has reviewed the documentation provided, including the Traffic and Transport Study, and supports the commitment to providing bus stops and associated necessary infrastructure in the event that bus routes are formed to and from Black Hill.

To help foster a sustainable transport community, it is requested that further consultation is undertaken with DoT bus network planners as part of any future project applications to determine the need for any changes to current bus services and potential future bus routes, timing of delivery, and possible bus stop infrastructure for the site. Adrian Dessanti can be contacted on 8202 3646 or via email adrian.dessanti@transport.nsw.gov.au.

The DoT notes the recommendation in the traffic report of a shuttle bus service to Beresfield Station. It is recommended that as a condition of any consent, the feasibility of a shuttle bus service be investigated. As part of this investigation it is recommended that the applicant liaise with Phil Sullivan, Regional Manager of the Northern Region, to ensure appropriate integration with bus networks can be achieved. Phil can be contacted on 4928 8701 or via email <a href="mailto:phil.sullivan@transport.nsw.gov.au">phil.sullivan@transport.nsw.gov.au</a>.

DoT is interested in ensuring that principles of sustainable travel behaviour are incorporated into the development from the outset to encourage a sustainable transport culture on site. To achieve this outcome the DoT requests that a Workplace Travel Plan (WTP) be prepared prior to project approval to further support efforts to encourage sustainable transport means and increase mode shift away from private vehicle use. This should also be included as a condition of consent.

I trust that these comments are of assistance. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Naomi Brissett on 8202 2332 or email <a href="mailto:naomi.brissett@transport.nsw.gov.au">naomi.brissett@transport.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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