

John Fisher
Post-Approvals Lead
Energy Corporation of New South Wales Pty Ltd
Via email

30/08/2024

Subject: CWO REZ Transmission – Staging of Biodiversity Management Plan

Dear Mr. Fisher

I refer to your submission dated 5 August 2024, requesting approval to stage the Biodiversity Management Plan to specifically address the biodiversity offset measures referred to in Schedule 2, Conditions B24 and B26.

I note the submission intends to include the preparation of:

- a Biodiversity Management Plan applying to the management of construction/delivery activities associated with the development; and
- a separate additional Offset Measures Biodiversity Management Plan applying to address specific offset measures.

The Department has carefully reviewed the submission and has considered the request is consistent with the requirements of Schedule 2, Condition C3 of the Infrastructure Approval for CWO REZ Transmission (SSI-48323210).

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the staging of the Biodiversity Management Plan as per your submission dated 5 August 2024.

The Department notes that the reference in Schedule 2, Condition B24 was intended to refer to the species *Euphrasia arguta*, rather than *Euphrasia scabra* (rough eyebright) and that this is likely to be updated through a separate process.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Wayne Jones on (02) 6575 3406).

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary