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# MEMO

**TO:** [REDACTED] Director Western  
**FROM:** [REDACTED] Senior Manager Environment and Sustainability  
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## Proposal

Parkes Bypass

## Location

Parkes

## Context

Division 5.1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) applies to the proposal. The addendum 2 review of environmental factors (REF) has been reviewed and considered against the requirements of sections 5.5 and 5.7 of the EP&A Act.

In considering the proposal this assessment has examined and taken into account to the fullest extent possible, all matters affecting or likely to affect the environment by reason of that activity as addressed in the addendum 2 REF and associated information. This assessment is considered to be in accordance with the factors required to be considered under section 171 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021.

In addition, this assessment has considered impacts to threatened species, ecological communities and migratory species listed under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). The consideration of these matters is in accordance with the strategic assessment approval granted under the EPBC Act in September 2015.

## Discussion

### *Significance of impact on the environment*

The proposal described in the addendum 2 REF will have some environmental impacts which can be ameliorated satisfactorily. This assessment has considered that these impacts are unlikely to be significant and therefore an environmental impact statement does not need to be prepared and approval for the proposal does not need to be sought under Division 5.2 of the EP&A Act. Various safeguard and management measures are proposed.

### ***Significance of impact on NSW-listed biodiversity matters***

The assessment has considered the potential impacts of the proposal on areas of outstanding value and on threatened species, ecological communities or their habitats for both terrestrial and aquatic species as defined by the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* (BC Act) and the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (FM Act).

The proposal described in the Parkes Bypass addendum 2 REF will not affect areas of outstanding value or significantly affect other biodiversity values listed under the BC Act. Therefore the concurrence of the Coordinator-General Environment, Energy and Science, DPE and a species impact statement or Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) is not required.

### ***Significance of impact on nationally listed biodiversity matters***

The assessment has considered the potential impacts of the proposal on threatened species, ecological communities and migratory species as defined by the EPBC Act.

The proposal is not likely to significantly impact nationally listed threatened species, ecological communities or migratory species.

### ***Impacts to Commonwealth land and [other] matters of national environmental significance***

The assessment has also addressed the potential impacts of the proposal on [other] matters of national environmental significance and any impacts on the environment of Commonwealth land and concluded that there will be no significant impacts. Therefore there is no need for a referral to be made to the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment for a decision by the Australian Government Minister for the Environment on whether assessment and approval is required under the EPBC Act.

### ***Quality of the addendum REF***

The Parkes Bypass addendum 2 REF is considered to be of adequate quality and meets all relevant requirements

### ***Recommendation***

It is recommended that the proposal to modify the Parkes Bypass Project at Parkes as described in the Parkes Bypass Addendum 2 review of environmental factors dated December 2021 proceed subject to the implementation of all safeguards identified in the addendum REF and compliance with all other relevant statutory approvals, licences, permits and authorisations.

This project determination will remain current for five years until March 2027 at which time it shall lapse if works have not been physically commenced.

In accordance with the current Delegations Manual the appropriate delegated manager for this addendum REF is the Regional Director West.

**Recommended by**



09/03/2022

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Senior Manager Environment and Sustainability

**Supported / not supported by:**

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Project Director      10/3/2022

**Determined** in accordance with the above recommendation under delegated authority and in accordance with sections 5.5 and 5.7 of the EP&A Act.



**Date:** 10/03/2022

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Regional Director West

**Attachments**

1. Parkes Bypass Addendum 2 review of environmental factors dated December 2021