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Via: Planning Portal

Dear Nick

SSD 7036 Coraki Quarry – Response to 2024 Independent Environmental Audit

KIS Quarries Pty Ltd (KIS) is the operator of the Coraki Quarry (the quarry) located at Petersons Quarry Road, Coraki (the site). The quarry is State Significant Development 7036 (SSD 7036).

Schedule 5, Condition 10 of the SSD 7036 requires the applicant (ie KIS) to carry out an Independent Environmental Audit (IEA) at regular intervals. On the 29 January 2024, the Department endorsed the appointment of Natascha Arens, Olivia Merrick and Whitney Heiniger of NGH Pty Ltd to complete the 2024 IEA.

The 2024 IEA has been completed (refer **Attachment 1**). Section 4 of the IEA provides recommendations, which in summary are:

- Recommendation actions:
 - No new non-compliant findings were identified during the audit and, as such, no recommended actions have been identified.
- Opportunities for improvement:
 1. The site entrance point immediately adjacent to the site office requires some minor reshaping to ensure all dirty water from the site office area is directed into the southern sediment basin; and
 2. A review of the water capacity of both operating sediment basins is recommend during the next period of prolonged dry weather, including emptying of the water from the water so that the sediment storage zones of each basin can be reviewed and excavated if necessary to ensure capacity is available prior to the next wet season.

We have reviewed and accepted the 2024 IEA and commit to completing the two opportunities for improvement in the following time frames:

- Improvement No 1 has been completed, and will continue to be maintained; and
- Improvement No 2 will be completed prior to September 2024, and photographic records will be taken and retained as evidence for future reference.

Yours faithfully



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