

## Appendix L

### Aboriginal heritage clearance letter



18/12/2019

Ron de Rooy  
Project/Contract Manager

Dear Ron

**Preliminary assessment results for HW5 Raglan Pavement Rehabilitation 52k to 55km North of Lithgow, Based on Stage 1 of the *Procedure for Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation and investigation (PACHCI)*. Part Two**

The project has evolved and is now inclusive of land approximately 10-15 m north of the existing alignment, as previously described in the Project Information the change to the project scope has been assessed as being unlikely to have an impact on Aboriginal cultural heritage.

The assessment is based on the following due diligence considerations:

- The project is unlikely to harm known Aboriginal objects or places.
- The AHIMS search **did indicate** moderate to high concentrations of Aboriginal objects and places outside the study area. (Ref Extensive AHIMS Report)
- The study area **does contain** landscape features that could indicate the presence of Aboriginal objects, based on the Office of Environment and Heritage's *Due diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal objects in NSW* and the Roads and Maritime Services' procedure.
- The cultural heritage potential of the study area appears to be reduced due to past disturbance.( Previous Road Construction)

**Safe Guards:** The works is to be **restricted** to the Conditions stated in the Project Information Please be vigilant for further potential Aboriginal objects when construction commences.

Your project may proceed in accordance with the environmental impact assessment process, as relevant, and all other relevant approvals.

If the scope of your project changes, you must contact me and your regional environmental staff to reassess any potential impacts on Aboriginal cultural heritage.

If any potential Aboriginal objects (including skeletal remains) are discovered during the course of the project, all works in the vicinity of the find must cease. Follow the steps outlined in the Roads and Maritime Services' **Unexpected Heritage Item Procedure**.

For further assistance in this matter do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffery Charlton'.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisor – Western Region