

# **ATTACHMENT**

## **ITEM 8.2**

### **CITY DEVELOPMENT**

#### **COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**

Outcome of Public Exhibition - Biodiversity  
Certification Application - Mt Gilead Stage 2

**14 February 2023**

Appendix D: Department of Planning and Environment  
response to the OCSE Principles and final  
Koala corridors in Gilead



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Attn: Brendan O'Brien

Dear Ranisha,

Thank you for your letter dated 3 December 2021 relating to the recently published Greater Macarthur update and Koala corridors in Gilead.

The Greater Macarthur update provides a strategic indicative map of Koala corridors in the entire growth area. As you are aware, Lendlease has been working with the Department under the Technical Assurance Panel (assurance panel) pilot program to prepare a draft planning proposal for Gilead Stage 2. An important part of this work has been the investigation of the following Koala corridors in Gilead:

- Corridor A along Menangle Creek,
- Corridor B along Woodhouse Creek, and
- The Gilead component of the Nepean Corridor.

The map at Attachment 1 reflects the outcomes of those investigations and is the current indicative mapping for these corridors. These corridors apply the recommendations and subsequent advice of the Office of the NSW Chief Scientist & Engineer (OCSE) and will provide valuable inputs into the draft proposal to be reviewed by the assurance panel. Please note these corridors also include land within the Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan, however the attached map only shows the corridors in relation to land known as Mt Gilead Stage 1 (Figtree Hill), Stage 2 (subject of the assurance panel program) and the adjacent Noorumba and Beulah reserves. These corridors may be further refined or amended as a result of the assurance panel program or any subsequent statutory rezoning process, however, must continue to apply the recommendations and advice of the OCSE.

I look forward to working with Lendlease and the assurance panel to progress the preparation of a draft planning proposal in 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Naomi Moss, Manager Place and Infrastructure, at the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment on (02) 9228 6351 or via [naomi.moss@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:naomi.moss@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

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### Indicative Koala Corridors - Gilead

- ▮ Nepean River Corridor (*Gilead Component*)
- ▮ Woodhouse Creek Corridor (*Corridor B*)
- ▮ Menangle Creek Corridor (*Corridor A*)

