Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure



Our ref: SSD-33964533-PA-59

Beth Kramer
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Lightsource Development Services Australia Pty Ltd
Sent via the Major Projects Portal only

18/11/2025

Subject: Goulburn River Solar Farm – Request to temporarily increase heavy vehicle length

Dear Ms Kramer,

I refer to your revised letter dated 17 November 2025 requesting Planning Secretary's agreement to allow for a temporary increase in the permitted vehicle length under Condition B1(b) of development consent SSD-33964533 for the Goulburn River Solar Farm project.

Condition B1(b) currently requires the Applicant to ensure that the length of any vehicle (excluding heavy vehicles requiring escort) used for the development does not exceed 19 metres unless the Planning Secretary agrees otherwise.

The Department notes your amended request:

- is for one two-way movement of an unloaded heavy vehicle 30 metres in length, which will be extended to 41 metres at the site entrance on Wollara Road. This trial movement is intended to identify any potential issues with access to the site prior to the delivery of the auxiliary services building (ASB), a heavy vehicle requiring escort, proposed for 16th December 2025;
- is accompanied by a swept path and acceleration analysis of the Golden Highway/Ringwood Road and Golden Highway/ Barnett Street intersections for a 30-metre design vehicle as requested by Transport for NSW (TfNSW); and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

In considering your request, the Department has carefully reviewed the information provided, including evidence of support for the proposal from Upper Hunter Shire Council (Council) and TfNSW.

As nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the requested increase in vehicle length for one trial movement. This approval is provided on the basis that:

- vehicle type, movements, swept paths and traffic controls are in accordance with the commitments in your letter of 17 November 2025;
- the trial movement will not travel on Ringwood Road or Wollara Road during the AM peak (7:15am to 8:15am) or PM peak (3:00pm to 4:00pm) hours;
- no impacts to biodiversity or heritage values will result from this movement;

- the trial movement will be completed by 15th December 2025 (unless otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary); and
- the Traffic Management Plan is to be revised in consultation with Council and TfNSW and approved by the Planning Secretary prior to the movement of any heavy vehicle requiring escort.

Please ensure you make this document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Katie Weekes on 4927 3223.

Yours sincerely

Iwan Davies Director

Energy Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary