

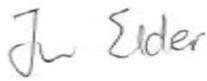
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1. KEY FINDINGS FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD

CSSI 1055 condition A22(k) requires that the Environmental Representative (ER) must *'prepare and submit to the Planning Secretary and other relevant regulatory agencies, for information, an Environmental Representative Monthly Report providing the information set out in the Environmental Representative Protocol under the heading "Environmental Representative Monthly Reports. The Environmental Representative Monthly Report must be submitted within seven (7) days following the end of each month for the duration of the ER's engagement for the CSSI, or as otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary."*

This ER Monthly Report has been prepared in accordance with CoA A22(k), covering the period from 1 to 31 October 2025 (the reporting period).

Construction works by Inland Rail's Principal Contractor, Martinus Rail (MR), continued under CSSI 10055 during the reporting period. Activities included signalling works, SAQP sampling, and DCP testing at Junee Yard; DSI sampling and DCP/geotechnical investigations along the Olympic Highway; shoulder reconditioning (including Sunday and Monday night OOHW) and DCP testing at J2I; NAP and 66kV OOHW mobilisation at Edmondson; DSI sampling and survey control at Wagga Yard, Pearson Street and Cassidy Parade; and signalling works and DSI sampling at Uranquinty.

One non-compliance was identified during October 2025, relating to:

- Condition of Approval (CoA) A7.

No incidents or non-conformances with the CoA were recorded during the reporting period.

Consultation with potentially affected stakeholders continued during October 2025, in the forms of meeting, door-knocks, email, phone call and SMS.

Four (4) complaints were received during the reporting period. All are closed.

CEMP and Sub-plans were developed from late 2024 to October 2025 and submitted to the ER for approval or endorsement. The following updated documents were approved by the ER during the reporting period:

- Construction Environmental Management Plan – Stage C (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0025, revision 0, dated 29 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.
- Social Impact Management Plan (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0001, revision 7, dated 29 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.
- Cultural Heritage Management Plan (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0030, revision 0, dated 24 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.

The following documents were endorsed by the ER for submission to the Department during the reporting period:

- Staging Report A2I | Albury to Illabo (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 6, dated 7 October 2025), endorsed on 9 October 2025.
- Construction Environmental Management Framework – (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-0001, revision 7, dated 8 October 2025), endorsed on 9 October 2025.

Two (2) inspections were conducted during the reporting period:

- 8 October: 2 low priority findings were reported, all of which have been closed out.
- 30 October: nil findings were reported.

The next inspection is scheduled for 6 – 7 December 2025 (coinciding with the December rail possession).

The ER will continue to report on the progress of the Project each month.

2. BACKGROUND

Inland Rail is a proposed 1,600km freight rail line, comprising 12 sections, which will connect Melbourne and Brisbane via regional Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland. Inland Rail Pty Ltd (IR), a subsidiary of Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC), is building Inland Rail on behalf of the Australian Government.

This Environmental Representative Report relates to the Albury to Illabo section of Inland Rail, which involves the upgrade and operation of 185km of the Main South Line freight corridor to facilitate double stacked freight trains through Albury, Greater Hume, Lockhart, Wagga Wagga and Junee government areas (the Project).

The Project is declared critical State Significant Infrastructure (CSSI 10055) under section 5.13 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act). Approval of the Project was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 08 October 2024, subject to a number of Conditions of Approval (CoA).

IR is the Applicant/Proponent of the Project. Martinus Rail (MR) have been engaged by IR as the Principal Contractor delivering the Project.

In accordance with CoA A18, Inland Rail sought approval to engage WolfPeak as the Project's Environmental Representatives (ER). This approval was granted by the Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure (the Department) on 25 October 2024.

CoA A22(k) requires that the Environmental Representative (ER) must *'prepare and submit to the Planning Secretary and other relevant regulatory agencies, for information, an Environmental Representative Monthly Report providing the information set out in the Environmental Representative Protocol under the heading "Environmental Representative Monthly Reports. The Environmental Representative Monthly Report must be submitted within seven (7) days following the end of each month for the duration of the ER's engagement for the CSSI, or as otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary.'*

This ER Monthly Report has been prepared in accordance with CoA A22(k), covering the period from 1 to 30 October 2025 (the reporting period).

3. PROJECT ACTIVITIES

3.1 Construction works

3.1.1 Works undertaken during the reporting period

Construction (as defined by the Approval) commenced in March 2025. The following activities were conducted during October 2025:

Site	Activities
Junee Yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signalling works • SAQP sampling • DCP testing
Olympic Hwy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSI sampling • DCP and Geotech investigations
J2I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoulder reconditioning, including Sunday and Monday night OOHW • DCP testing
Edmondson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAP, 66kV OOHW mobilisation 4
Wagga Yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSI sampling • Survey control
Pearson Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSI sampling • Survey control
Cassidy Parade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSI sampling • Survey control
Uranquinty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signalling works • DSI sampling

3.1.2 Upcoming works

The following works are planned for November 2025 (subject to the required pre-work/construction approvals being obtained):

Site	Activities
Kemp Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree clearing
Junee Yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of Road 9 • Signalling works • Driver platform works – Pending REF approval

Site	Activities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey control
Olympic Hwy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCP testing • SAQP sampling
J2I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing DCPs • Ongoing shoulder recon • Sundays and Monday Nights OOHW - Shoulder reconditioning and material transport
Edmondson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAP, 66kV OOHW mobilisation 5 • Traffic mitigations OOHW • Edmondson Bridge Closure
Wagga Yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mothers FB demolition – OOHW • Piling pad construction
Pearson Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey Control
Cassidy Parade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site establishment • Vegetation clearing • Survey Control
Billy Hughes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of site controls • Vegetation clearing • Site establishment
Uranquinty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site establishment
Albury Yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signalling works • Crane pad construction

3.2 Minor Construction Ancillary Facilities

Nothing to report for October 2025.

3.3 Changes to the Project

Construction Staging

Martinus Rail are proposing to construct the Project in three Stages:

- Stage A: preparation activities for rail possession (Substage A1), the rail possession activities (Substage A2), and post-possession activities (Substage A3).
- Stage B: Construction in Stage B will see construction activities commencing in the Wagga Wagga Precinct, as well as at Uranquinty Creek and Billy Hughes Bridge. New construction activities such as culvert work, level crossing work and finishing work, will also occur. Construction in Stage B will also comprise a continuation of some activities started in Stage A.

- Stage B2: Pre-construction activities that have not commenced before the approval of the CEMP, all works started in Stage A or Stage B that have not yet been completed. Traffic mitigation measures associated with the Edmondson Street bridge and trial bridge closure of the Edmondson Street bridge
- Stage C: Preconstruction of activities that have not commenced before the approval of the CEMP, continuation of Stage A and Stage B works and demolition and construction of the new Edmondson Street bridge.

A Staging Report was prepared in accordance with CoA A9 and A10 to reflect this staging approach. The ER endorsed the Staging Report (Rev 1) on 19 November 2024. The most recent update to the Staging Report (Rev 6) was endorsed by the ER on 9 October 2025.

Consistency Assessments

Two (2) Consistency Assessments (CAs) were determined by Inland Rail during the reporting period:

- EIS Consistency Assessment Report (Minor) - Bomen Yard – Construction Boundary Changes (MR reference: 6-0052-210-EAP-W9-AS-0001, revision 0), approved 24 October 2025.
- EIS Consistency Assessment Report (Minor) - Wagga Wagga Traffic Mitigation Measures Implementation (MR reference: 6-0052-210-EAP-00-RP-0010, revision 0), approved 16 October 2025.

3.4 Community consultation and complaints received

3.4.1 Consultation

Consultation occurred prior to the reporting period and throughout October 2025 in the form of emails, face-to-face, door knocks, SMS, phone calls, letters, meetings and webpage updates. Consultation undertaken during October 2025 included:

- OOHW notifications
- Monthly updates
- Property access changes
- Traffic, Access and Parking
- Heritage Impact
- Notifications
- Project progress
- Project approvals
- Project works/timing
- Project works and design
- Consultation process

- Sponsorship and donations
- Property Impacts
- Level crossing impacts
- Surveys
- Noise and Vibration Impacts

3.4.2 Complaints

The complaints register current to 24 October 2025 was supplied to the ER. It includes details of all complaints received and the actions undertaken by Martinus Rail to resolve each complaint.

4 complaints were received during the reporting period. The following details are extracted from the MR Complaints Register:

Date received	Nature of complaint	Details / Response	Status
02/10/2025	Junee - Complaint regarding the line marking on the roundabout adjacent to Junee Hotel, 21 Seignior St, Junee NSW 2663	<p>Phone call in- regarding the line marking on the roundabout adjacent to the Junee Hotel, states arrow on the lefthand side lane in pointing to the left indicating that it turns into a private laneway, when to go through the roundabout the arrow should be facing straight, wants to know who approved the line marking on the road.</p> <p>Callers' details were obtained, caller advised that the most appropriate person to answer any concerns would be in contact as soon as possible. LM called complaint back, explained the approval process (TfNSW, Junee Shire Council and AusRoads). Caller was happy with this answer, no further action needed.</p>	Closed (within 3 hrs)
14/10/2025	Edmondson - Dust complaint at Edmondson Street site, Wagga Wagga	<p>A representative from the Wagga Wagga Rail Heritage Station Museum spoke directly to the site's leading hand at Edmondson Street, Wagga Wagga temporary site compound and complained about dust from the site entering the Heritage Museum's "gang sheds".</p> <p>The Martinus Superintendent investigated the matter. Martinus</p>	Closed (within 3 hrs)

Date received	Nature of complaint	Details / Response	Status
		<p>contacted the complainant to respond to the complaint at 3:30 pm.</p> <p>Martinus advised Wagga Wagga Rail Heritage Station Museum that additional dust mitigation measures would be implemented on-site, including the placement of additional geo-fab over the mound of dirt within the fenced area.</p> <p>Martinus also discussed the upcoming construction works program with Wagga Wagga Rail Heritage Station Museum, which involves demolishing and excavating the Edmondson Street bridge following a successful bridge closure trial.</p>	
22/10/2025	Junee - Concern with the current street closures in Junee.	<p>Complainant stating that the detour route along William Street is dangerous as "you need to go onto the other side of the road to turn". Starting with that she nearly was involved in an accident on this route.</p> <p>Complainant did not want to leave contact information and wishes to remain anonymous. Call centre advised they would pass onto the MR team.</p>	Closed
29/10/2025	Junee - Closure of George Street and condition of Road on Byrne / William St	<p>Caller advised that council provided her with the 1800 number when she rang to complain about the condition of the roads - Byrnes Road / William / Ducker. She advised they said to call MR as we had George St closed.</p> <p>I advised we have a section of Byrne cross of George closed due to work site. She advised this is preventing her avoiding the intersection of William and Ducker due to its conduction. Her primary concern is avoiding the poor road condition however she states she has not seen any works going on in the part of Byrnes we have closed. She advised</p>	Closed

Date received	Nature of complaint	Details / Response	Status
		she does not want to leave her details, however, wants her complaint recorded	

No complaints remain open from previous reporting periods. A copy of the complaints register can be provided by IR to the Department on request, in accordance with CoA B12.

3.5 Incidents, Emergency Works and Non-compliances

3.5.1 Incidents

No incidents causing or threatening to cause material harm were reported to NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) during the reporting period.

3.5.2 Emergency Works

No emergency works were reported during October 2025.

3.5.3 Non-compliances

One non-compliance was identified during October 2025, relating to:

- Condition of Approval (CoA) A7

DPHI issued correspondence on 28 August 2025 approving an extension for the submission of the Quarterly Environment Report: March – June 2025 to 13 October 2025. However, due to ongoing internal project reviews, the report was not submitted to DPHI by this date.

The MR project team became aware of this non-compliance on 17 October 2025. The proponent confirmed a CSSI Non-Compliance with CoA A7 on Monday 20 October 2025 (in accordance with MCoA A38, the Planning Secretary must be notified via the Major Projects website by Monday 27 October 2025 - within seven days of identification).

4. ER ACTIVITIES

4.1 Advice provided to the Proponent on the CoA and other authority conditions

Advice has been provided by the ER to Inland Rail and MR since late 2024 regarding the development of the Staging Report, CEMF, CEMP and Sub-plans under CoA A9, C1, C6, C16, C18, and C26. Further details are provided in Section 4.2, below.

4.2 Environmental management plans and programs

4.2.1 Development

CEMP and Sub-plans were developed from late 2024 to October 2025 and submitted to the ER for approval or endorsement. The following updated documents were approved by the ER during the reporting period:

- Construction Environmental Management Plan – Stage C (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0025, revision 0, dated 29 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.
- Social Impact Management Plan (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0001, revision 7, dated 29 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.
- Cultural Heritage Management Plan (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0030, revision 0, dated 24 September 2025), approved 3 October 2025.

The following documents were endorsed by the ER for submission to the Department during the reporting period:

- Staging Report A2I | Albury to Illabo (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 6, dated 7 October 2025), endorsed on 9 October 2025.
- Construction Environmental Management Framework – (MR Reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-0001, revision 7, dated 8 October 2025), endorsed on 9 October 2025.

Letters of endorsement are presented in Appendix A.

4.2.2 Implementation

Stage A Construction commenced in March 2025. Stage B Construction commenced in August 2025.

4.2.3 Site inspections

Two inspections were conducted during the reporting period:

- 8 October: 2 low priority findings were reported, all of which have been closed out.
- 30 October: nil findings were reported.

The next inspection is scheduled for 6 – 7 December 2025 (coinciding with the December rail possession).



Figure 1. J2I - Spoil stockpile stored within bunding area



Figure 2. J2I - culvert installation



Figure 3. J2I - Progressive removal of spoil to designated stockpile area



Figure 4. Little Best St – utilities installation



Figure 5. Albury Yard – stockpiling of cleared vegetation



Figure 6. Albury Yard – stockpile signage



Figure 7. Albury Yard – covering of stockpile

4.2.4 Audits

An Independent Audit was undertaken on 29 October 2025. Input from the Environmental Representative (ER) was provided on the 22 September 2025. The Independent Audit report is due for submission within two months of the audit date.

4.2.5 Complaint resolution

No open complaints.

4.2.6 Meetings

Regular meetings as required for the review and endorsement of the Project's CEMP and sub-plans have been held throughout 2024 to October 2025, including the involvement of the ER. Meetings with Inland Rail, MR and the ER for the purposes of discussing Project works, progress on post-approval documentation, compliance, incidents, complaints etc. were held on 6, 13, 20 and 27 October 2025.

Monthly routine meetings between the Department, IR, MR and ER commenced in March 2025. A meeting was held on 10 October 2025.

4.2.7 Documentation issued

Refer to the approvals and endorsements referred to in Section 4.2.1 and Appendix A.

ER Inspections were carried out on 8 and 30 October and subsequent Inspection Reports have been issued.

4.2.8 Communications with the Secretary

There have been no written communications with the Planning Secretary or its representatives during the reporting period, other than through issue of approval and endorsement letters for the Sub-plans as noted in Section 4.2.1; issue of the ER monthly report for September 2025 on the 7 October 2025; and attendance to the monthly regulatory meeting on the 10 October 2025 as discussed in Section 4.2.6. Informal project discussions have been held with the Department as required.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF THE PROJECT

5.1 Environmental Performance

Construction works commenced in March 2025 and are ongoing. Work activities undertaken for the reporting period included signalling works, SAQP sampling, and DCP testing at Junee Yard; DSI sampling and DCP/geotechnical investigations along the Olympic Highway; shoulder reconditioning (including Sunday and Monday night OOHW) and DCP testing at J2I; NAP and 66kV OOHW mobilisation at Edmondson; DSI sampling and survey control at Wagga Yard, Pearson Street and Cassidy Parade; and signalling works and DSI sampling at Uranquinty. Environmental mitigation and control measures are being implemented consistent with approval requirements. The ER is of the view that environmental impacts are being appropriately managed and potential for environmental impacts is low.

5.2 Key learnings

No lessons learned sessions are scheduled at this time.

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APPENDIX A – ER APPROVAL & ENDORSEMENT LETTERS



3 October 2025

Rachael Labruyere
Environment Manager
Level 19, 60 Margaret Street
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Dear Rachael,

RE: Inland Rail: ER Endorsement of Construction Environmental Management Plan Stage C for Albury to Illabo (SSI-10055) – Condition A22(j)

Approval of the Inland Rail's Albury to Illabo Critical State Significant Infrastructure project (SSI 10055) (the Project) was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 8 October 2024, subject to a number of Conditions of Approval.

CoA A22(j) requires an Environmental Representative (ER) to consider any minor amendments to be made to the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs without increasing impacts to nearby sensitive land use(s) or that comprise updating or are of an administrative nature, and are consistent with the terms of this approval and the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs approved by the Planning Secretary and, if satisfied such amendment is necessary, approve the amendment.

The undersigned was approved as ER for the Project by the Planning Secretary's nominee on the 7 February 2025.

Martinus Rail (MR) prepared a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for Stage B (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0010) to satisfy the requirements of conditions C1 and C2, consistent with the staging set out in the Staging Report prepared under condition A9. Revision 0 of the CEMP Stage B was endorsed by the ER on 1 May 2025. MR has since amended the CEMP to include Stage C (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0025, revision 0, dated 29 September 2025).

I consider that amendments within the revised version of the CEMP to be administrative in nature and consistent with the terms of the SSI Approval. In accordance with the requirements of CoA A22(j), I approve the amended CEMP Stage C (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0025, revision 0, dated 29 September 2025).

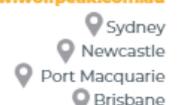
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3 October 2025

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Dear Rachael,

RE: Inland Rail: ER Approval of Amendment – Construction Cultural Heritage Management Plan for Inland Rail’s Albury to Illabo (SSI-10055) – Condition A22(j)

Approval of the Inland Rail’s Albury to Illabo Critical State Significant Infrastructure project (SSI 10055) (the Project) was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 8 October 2024, subject to a number of Conditions of Approval (CoA).

CoA A22(j) requires an Environmental Representative (ER) to consider any minor amendments to be made to the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs without increasing impacts to nearby sensitive land use(s) or that comprise updating or are of an administrative nature, and are consistent with the terms of this approval and the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs approved by the Planning Secretary and, if satisfied such amendment is necessary, approve the amendment.

The undersigned was approved as ER for the Project by the Planning Secretary’s nominee on the 7 February 2025.

Martinus Rail (MR) has prepared a Construction Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CCHMP) (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0015) to satisfy the requirements of CoA C6, C7, C11 and C12. MR has amended the CCHMP (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0030, revision 0, dated 24 September 2025) to include Stage C

I consider that amendments within the revised version of the CCHMP to be administrative in nature and consistent with the terms of the SSI Approval. In accordance with the requirements of CoA A22(j), I approve the amended CCHMP (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0030, revision 0, dated 24 September 2025).

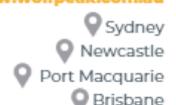
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3 October 2025

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Dear Rachael,

RE: Inland Rail: ER Approval of Amendment - Social Impact Management Plan for Inland Rail's Albury to Illabo (SSI-10055) – Condition A22(j)

Approval of the Inland Rail's Albury to Illabo Critical State Significant Infrastructure project (SSI 10055) (the Project) was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 8 October 2024, subject to a number of Conditions of Approval (CoA).

CoA A22(j) requires an Environmental Representative (ER) to consider any minor amendments to be made to the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs without increasing impacts to nearby sensitive land use(s) or that comprise updating or are of an administrative nature, and are consistent with the terms of this approval and the CEMP, CEMP Sub-plans and monitoring programs approved by the Planning Secretary and, if satisfied such amendment is necessary, approve the amendment.

The undersigned was approved as ER for the Project by the Planning Secretary's nominee on the 7 February 2025.

Martinus Rail (MR) has prepared a Social Impact Management Plan (SIMP) (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0001) to satisfy the requirements of CoA E113 and E114. MR has amended the SIMP (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0001, revision 7, dated 29 September 2025) to include Stage C.

I consider that amendments within the revised version of the SIMP to be administrative in nature and consistent with the terms of the SSI Approval. In accordance with the requirements of CoA A22(j), I approve the amended SIMP (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PMA-00-PL-0001, revision 7, dated 29 September 2025).

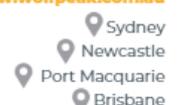
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9 October 2025

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Dear Rachael,

RE: Inland Rail Albury to Illabo (SSI-10055): ER Endorsement of Staging Report – Conditions A9 and A13

Approval of the Inland Rail's Albury to Illabo Critical State Significant Infrastructure project (SSI 10055) (the Project) was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 8 October 2024, subject to a number of conditions.

Condition A18 requires an Environmental Representative (ER) to be nominated by the Proponent and approved by the Planning Secretary prior to the commencement of works. The undersigned was approved as ER for the Project by the Planning Secretary's nominee on the 7 February 2025.

Condition A9 allows the Project to be constructed and operated in stages in accordance with a Staging Report endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for information. It states:

A9 *The CSSI may be constructed and operated in stages (including, but not limited to, temporal, location or activity-based staging). Where staged construction and/or operation is proposed, a Staging Report (for either or both construction and operation as the case may be) must be prepared. The Staging Report must be endorsed by the ER and then submitted to the Planning Secretary for information no later than one (1) month before the commencement of construction of the first of the proposed stages of construction (or if only staged operation is proposed, one (1) month before the commencement of operation of the first of the proposed stages of operation), or as required by Condition C16.*

Further, condition A13 requires that revisions to the Staging Report be endorsed by the ER prior to submission to the Planning Secretary for information. It states:

A13 *Where changes are proposed to the staging of construction or operation, a revised Staging Report must be prepared, endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for information, no later than one (1) month prior to the proposed change in the staging.*

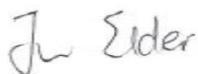
Martinus Rail (MR) prepared a Staging Report for the Project (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 2, dated 18 November 2024) to satisfy the requirements of conditions A9 and A10. The ER endorsed revision 2 of the Staging Report on 19 November 2024 in accordance with condition A9 and A22, and the document was submitted to the Planning Secretary for information.

MR have since updated the Staging Report to include Stage B2 (MR ref: 6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 6, dated 7 October 2025).

Table 1 of this letter sets out where and whether, in my view, the Staging Report content requirements of the Project Approval have been addressed. In accordance with the requirements of condition A13, I hereby endorse the updated Staging Report (6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 6, dated 7 October 2025) for submission to the Planning Secretary for information.

Should you have any queries or require further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on the details below.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tim Elder'.

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Table 1: Summary of ER review of the Staging Report (Ref: 6-0052-210-PES-00-RP-0001, revision 6, dated 7 October 2025)

Ref	Requirement	Section of the document	ER Comment
A9	The CSSI may be constructed and operated in stages (including but not limited to temporal, location or activity-based staging). Where staged construction and/or operation is proposed, a Staging Report (for either or both construction and operation as the case may be) must be prepared. The Staging Report must be endorsed by the ER and then submitted to the Planning Secretary for information no later than one (1) month before the commencement of construction of the first of the proposed stages of construction (or if only staged operation is proposed, one (1) month before the commencement of operation of the first of the proposed stages of operation), or as required by Condition C16.	Staging Report Section 1.6	Consistent
A10	The Staging Report must:	Section 2 Appendix A	Consistent
	a) if staged construction is proposed, set out how the construction of the whole of the CSSI will be staged, including details of work and activities to be carried out in each stage and the general timing of when construction of each stage will commence and finish;	Section 2 Appendix A	Consistent
	b) if staged operation is proposed, set out how the operation of the whole of the CSSI will be staged, including details of activities to be carried out in each stage and the general timing of when operation of each stage will commence and finish (if relevant);	Section 3 Appendix A	Consistent
	c) specify how compliance with conditions will be achieved across and between each of the stages of the CSSI; and	Section 2.4 Appendix A	Consistent
	d) set out mechanisms for managing any cumulative impacts arising from the proposed staging. <i>Note: A Staging Report may reflect the staged construction and operation of the project through geographical activities, temporal activities or activity-based contracting and staging.</i>		
A11	Where staging is proposed, the CSSI must be staged in accordance with the Staging Report and submitted for information to the Planning Secretary.	Section 1.6 Section 1.7 Section 2.2 Appendix A	Consistent
A12	Where staging is proposed, the terms of this approval that apply or are relevant to the work or activities to be carried out in a specific stage must be complied with at the relevant time for that stage. <i>Note: Where an inconsistency arises between the staging report and the terms of this approval, the terms of this approval prevail.</i>	Appendix A	Consistent

Ref	Requirement	Section of the document	ER Comment
A13	Where changes are proposed to the staging of construction or operation, a revised Staging Report must be prepared, endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for information no later than one (1) month prior to the proposed change in the staging.	Section 1.7	Consistent
A14	Should a Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) be submitted for approval under Condition C16, the Staging Report must be submitted with the CEMF, i.e. no later than one (1) month before the lodgement of any CEMP, CEMP sub plan or CMP to the Planning Secretary for approval.	Section 1.8	Consistent
C16	<p>A Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) may be prepared to facilitate the preparation and approval of construction environmental management and monitoring plans required under Part C of this approval. The CEMF must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) identify the Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMPs), CEMP Sub-plans and Construction Monitoring Programs (CMP) required for each stage of construction consistent with the Staging Report prepared under Condition A9;... 	Section 1.8	Consistent
C17	Where changes are proposed to the staging of construction, a revised CEMF must be prepared, endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval no later than one (1) month prior to the proposed change in the staging.	Section 1.8	Consistent

9 October 2025

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Dear Rachael,

RE: Inland Rail Albury to Illabo (SSI-10055): ER Endorsement of updated Construction Environmental Management Framework – Conditions C16 and C17

Approval of the Inland Rail Albury to Illabo Critical State Significant Infrastructure project (SSI 10055) (the Project) was granted by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 8 October 2024, subject to a number of conditions.

Condition A18 requires an Environmental Representative (ER) to be nominated by the Proponent and approved by the Planning Secretary prior to the commencement of works. The undersigned was approved as ER for the Project by the Planning Secretary's nominee on the 7 February 2025.

Condition A22(d) requires the ER to review documents to ensure they are consistent with the terms of the Project Approval. It states:

- A22(d) *[For the duration of the work until the completion of construction, or as agreed by the Planning Secretary, the approved ER must] review documents identified in Conditions A9, C1, C6, C16, C18 and C26 and any other documents that are identified by the Planning Secretary, to ensure they are consistent with requirements in or under this approval and if so:*
- (i) make a written statement to this effect before submission of such documents to the Planning Secretary (if those documents are required to be approved by the Planning Secretary); or*
 - (ii) make a written statement to this effect before the implementation of such documents (if those documents are required to be submitted to the Planning Secretary / Department for information or are not required to be submitted to the Planning Secretary / Department).*

Under condition C16, a Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) may be prepared to facilitate the preparation and approval of construction environmental management and monitoring plans required under the approval. Specifically, it states:

- C16 *A Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) may be prepared to facilitate the preparation and approval of construction environmental management and monitoring plans required under Part C of this approval. The CEMF must:*

- (a) identify the Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMPs), CEMP Subplans and Construction Monitoring Programs (CMP) required for each stage of construction consistent with the Staging Report prepared under Condition A9;*
- (b) document the proposed structure of the CEMPs, CEMP Sub-plans and CMPs for the relevant stage of construction;*
- (c) provide, by way of a Risk Matrix, an assessment of the predicted level of environmental and social risk, including the potential level of community concerns posed by each construction stage. This must use a process consistent with AS/NZS ISO 31000: 2018; Risk Management – Guidelines; and*
- (d) nominate the consultation and endorsement level for the CEMPs, CEMP Sub-plans and CMPs required for each construction stage. The endorsement level being one of the following:*
 - (i) Low Risk Stage – to be self-endorsed and consultation with agency and council stakeholders is not mandatory,*
 - (ii) Medium Risk Stage – to be endorsed by the ER and consultation with agency and council stakeholders required, and*
 - (iii) High Risk Stage– to be endorsed by the Planning Secretary and consultation with agency and council stakeholders required.*

For a Low Risk Stage(s) the requirements of Part C of this approval do not apply. In these circumstances, a CEMP, CEMP sub-plan and CMP, may be substituted with an alternate process such as a Construction Method Statement or the like.

The CEMF must be endorsed by the ER and then submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval no later than one (1) month before the lodgement of any CEMP, CEMP sub plan or CMP.

The approved CEMF must be implemented for the duration of construction.

Condition C17 requires that, where updates to staging occur, the CEMF must be revised and resubmitted for approval. It states:

C17 *Where changes are proposed to the staging of construction, a revised CEMF must be prepared, endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval no later than one (1) month prior to the proposed change in the staging.*

Martinus Rail (MR) prepared a CEMF in accordance with condition C16 (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-001). On 19 November 2024, the ER endorsed revision 2 of the CEMF in accordance with the requirements of C16 and CoA A22(d).

MR have since updated the CEMF (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-001, revision 7, dated 8 October 2025) to include Stage B2.

Table 1 of this letter sets out where and whether, in my view, the CEMF content requirements of the Project Approval have been addressed.

In accordance with the requirements of conditions A22, C16 and C17, I endorse the updated CEMF (MR reference: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-001, revision 7, dated 8 October 2025) for submission to the Planning Secretary for approval.

Should you have any queries or require further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on the details below.



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Table 1: Summary of ER review of the CEMF (Ref: 6-0052-210-PES-00-PJ-001, revision 7, dated 8 October 2025)

Ref	Requirement	Section of the document	ER Comment
C16	A Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) may be prepared to facilitate the preparation and approval of construction environmental management and monitoring plans required under Part C of this approval. The CEMF must:	The CEMF	Consistent
	a) identify the Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMPs), CEMP Sub-plans and Construction Monitoring Programs (CMP) required for each stage of construction consistent with the Staging Report prepared under Condition A9;	Sections 4 and 5	Consistent
	b) document the proposed structure of the CEMPs, CEMP Sub-plans and CMPs for the relevant stage of construction;	Section 5	Consistent
	c) provide, by way of a Risk Matrix, an assessment of the predicted level of environmental and social risk, including the potential level of community concerns posed by each construction stage. This must use a process consistent with AS/NZS ISO 31000: 2018; Risk Management – Guidelines; and	Appendix A (risk matrix) Appendix C (Risk assessments)	Consistent
	d) nominate the consultation and endorsement level for the CEMPs, CEMP Sub-plans and CMPs required for each construction stage. The endorsement level being one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Low Risk Stage – to be self-endorsed and consultation with agency and council stakeholders is not mandatory, ii. Medium Risk Stage – to be endorsed by the ER and consultation with agency and council stakeholders required, and iii. High Risk Stage– to be endorsed by the Planning Secretary and consultation with agency and council stakeholders required. 	Sections 3.2 and 4.3	Consistent
	For a Low Risk Stage(s) the requirements of Part C of this approval do not apply. In these circumstances, a CEMP, CEMP sub-pan and CMP, may be substituted with an alternate process such as a Construction Method Statement or the like.	Section 3.2	Consistent
	The CEMF must be endorsed by the ER and then submitted no later than one (1) month before the lodgement of any CEMP, CEMP sub plan or CMP to the Planning Secretary for approval.	Section 1.5	Consistent
	The approved CEMF must be implemented for the duration of construction. <i>Note: The Planning Secretary may vary the CEMF in relation to the endorsement authority for the CEMPs, CEMP Sub-plans and CMPs.</i>	Section 1.6	Consistent

Ref	Requirement	Section of the document	ER Comment
C17	Where changes are proposed to the staging of construction, a revised CEMF must be prepared, endorsed by the ER and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval no later than one (1) month prior to the proposed change in the staging.	Section 1.6	Consistent
A14	Should a Construction Environmental Management Framework (CEMF) be submitted for approval under Condition C16, the Staging Report must be submitted with the CEMF, i.e. no later than one (1) month before the lodgement of any CEMP, CEMP sub plan or CMP to the Planning Secretary for approval.	Section 1.7	Consistent