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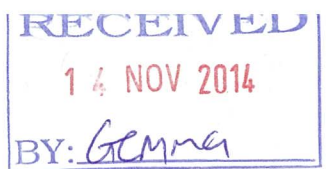
English Street

Precinct Structure Plan

Appendix 9



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Dear Bruce,

**CHANGE TO CONSERVATION AREA 34, GROWLING GRASS FROG (NORTH) –
CRAIGIEBURN EMPLOYMENT NORTH PRECINCT AND ENGLISH STREET PRECINCT**

As requested in your email of 22 September 2014 the Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI) has considered the proposal from the Metropolitan Planning Authority to alter conservation area 34 within the Craigieburn Employment North and English Street precincts. I understand from the information provided that the proposal will result in no net loss of habitat for the Growling Grass Frog as the proposal is to remove 4.65 hectares and add 4.65 hectares to the conservation area.

I advise that the proposed amendment is to the satisfaction of DEPI.

The proposed amendment was assessed as meeting the following requirements of the Biodiversity Conservation Strategy for Melbourne's Growth Corridor (June 2013).

Any variation (to the Growling Grass Frog Corridor at conservation area 34):

- *Must not reduce the total area of the Growling Grass Frog corridor within the relevant precinct;*
- *Must not impact negatively on Growling Grass frog populations;*
- *Must be demonstrated to have no negative effect on the functioning or management objectives of the corridor for the Growling Grass Frog;*
- *Must be to the satisfaction of DEPI; and*
- *Must be documented in the conservation management plan.*

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I also advise that DEPI views the proposed amendment as being in accordance with condition 3 of the 'Approval decision for the taking of actions in accordance with an endorsed program under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Protection Act 1999* (EPBC Act)' dated September 2013.

DEPI's online interactive mapping systems will be updated to reflect this change. In addition, an updated copy of the spatial data will be available from the Victorian Government spatial Datamart available at:

<http://services.land.vic.gov.au/SpatialDatamart/index.jsp>

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Regards,



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