

15 April 2024

Kiersten Fishburn
Secretary
Department of Planning and Environment
4 Parramatta Square
12 Darcy Street
Parramatta NSW 2150

**LANG WALKER AO MEDICAL RESEARCH BUILDING – MACARTHUR
STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION SSD-17491477
INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT**

Dear Ms Fishburn,

1. SSD-17491477, determined by the then Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) on 9 June 2022 and modified on 14 August 2023, approves the construction and use of a four-storey medical research building with external bridge connections to adjacent buildings, a new service bay and associated landscaping.
2. To satisfy the requirements of conditions C36 to C40 of SSD-17491477, Walker MMRC Services Pty Ltd (Walker) engaged Geosyntec Consultants Pty Ltd (Geosyntec) to conduct an Independent Environmental Audit (IEA) for the construction of the development. This was the first IEA undertaken for the project.
3. As required by condition C37 of SSD-17491477, the IEA was conducted in accordance with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (DPIE) *Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements* (May 2020).
4. Geosyntec reviewed 167 items under the SSD-17491477 consent conditions. 71 items were assessed as compliant, 96 were not triggered, and none were non-compliant.
5. A total of 51 items were reviewed by Geosyntec under implementation and compliance with the development's construction environmental management plans. 38 items were assessed as compliant, 13 were not triggered, and none were non-compliant.
6. As required by the *Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements*, Walker's response to Geosyntec's findings and recommendations is included in **Appendix A**.
7. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at taylor.cole@walkercorp.com.au or 02 8273 9657.

Yours faithfully,

Walker MMRC Services Pty Ltd



Taylor Cole

Town Planner

Appendix A

Response to Auditor's Recommendations

Table 1: Walker’s Response to the Recommendations in Section 4 of the Independent Environmental Audit

Independent Audit Recommendation	Proponent’s Proposed Action / Action Taken / Response (as applicable)	Proposed Action Due Date
Strategies, plans and programs under the development consent must be reviewed within 3 months of submission of this IEA Report or any other items listed in Section A33 of the consent conditions.	Walker acknowledges the requirements of this recommendation and will review the strategies, plans and programs that require review within the specified timeframes. Documentation will be submitted to DPE and the Certifier as required.	15 July 2024
As per SSD Condition A26 and C39, a copy of this IEA and Applicant’s response must be uploaded to the public website following completion of this IEA. The project website should be kept up to date with the information required as per this consent condition.	A copy of this IEA and Walker’s response will be uploaded to the Lang Walker AO Medical Research Building – Macarthur project website following the completion of this IEA.	30 April 2024
Complaints register must be provided in the public website even in the absence of complaint.	Walker acknowledges the requirements of this recommendation and will update the complaints register each month on the project website.	Ongoing
The effectiveness of dust mitigation measures during windy weather should be reviewed to ensure that no unacceptable dust is present. Should the dust mitigation measure be found to be ineffective, the dust mitigation practice should be rectified, such as covering of stockpiles.	RCC acknowledges the requirements of this recommendation and will utilise the relevant measures where necessary.	Ongoing
Should there be a complaint or high noise activity proposed, such as rock breaking, rock hammering, sheet piling, pile driving and similar activities, the need for vibration or noise monitoring should be assessed as per the Vibration and Noise Management Plan.	RCC acknowledges the requirements of this recommendation and will carry out any monitoring in accordance with the Construction Noise and Vibration Management Sub-Plan.	Ongoing
As per SSD Condition A27, the Applicant must ensure that all its employees, contractors (and their sub-contractors) are made aware of, and are instructed to comply with, the conditions of this consent relevant to activities they carry out in respect of the development.	RCC acknowledges the requirements of this recommendation and will continue to make contractors aware of their responsibility to comply with the conditions of consent.	Ongoing