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SSI8896 Quarterly environmental performance update 1

As per the Conditions of consent for this project, (Condition A23 (v) regular reporting on the environmental performance of the development in accordance with the reporting arrangements in any plans or programs approved under the conditions of this approval is required.

This information will be updated abd published to the Project website quarterly (every 3 months).

Summary of works completed Feb – April 2025

- Pre-construction environmental investigations including ecological pre-clearance and Aboriginal heritage investigations (under supervision of the Registered Aboriginal Parties and archaeologist) were undertaken prior to commencing earthworks. No issues wore identified from these.
- The project commenced construction on 17 February 2025 with John Holland Group (JHG) as the Principal Construction contractor.
- Site establishment of construction compound and offices
- Site clearing and earthworks including cut and fill and compaction

Environmental monitoring and approvals summary

- This project is working towards ISC certifications for sustainability through design and construction
- Regular joint environmental inspections with JHG, Hunter Water Corporation (HWC), the independent Environmental Representative (ER) and Cerfified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC) are being undertaken.
- Contaminated land investigations were undertaken as per approved management plans. The
 unexpected finds procedures in the CSWP were implemented as a larger volume of soil containing
 low concentration of asbestos containing material (ACM) was identified. Management of this has
 been implemented under the supervision of a qualified hygienist and under the advice of the
 Independent Site Contamination Auditor.
- Water Access Licence was received for construction groundwater dewatering
- Heritage Archaeological clearance report was received.
- Ongoing monitoring of the in-situ dunes adjacent to the site commenced.
- An update of the site Remediation Action Plan (RAP) has been drafted and reviews are underway
 with the contamination auditor.
- Groundwater monitoring was undertaken via groundwater wells. The completed groundwater dependent ecosystem assessment was prepared.
- The Drivers Code of Conduct and the Traffic and Pedestrian subplan have been updated with the amended traffic signage as agreed to by Lake Macquarie City Council.
- An out-of-hours assessment for the signage upgrades on Beach Street/Pacific Highway was approved by HWC on the 22 April 25
- Sea Dumping permit received from DCCEEW 14 April 2025
- Noise monitoring events took place for validation of noise predictions and no exceedances were recorded
- Vibration monitoring events took place for impact rolling and no exceedances were recorded
- Air quality has been consistently monitored on the site during any remediation and earthworks. No fibres have been found above acceptable levels to date.
- Consistency assessment has been undertaken and approved by HWC 16 April 2025 comparing the detailed design to the approval.

- Two minor incidents were reported by JHG relating to two small spill incidents (hydraulic leak) these were immediately attended to with appropriate controls and clean up method and reported to HWC and the ER.
- The unexpected find of a larger than expected volume of soil containing low concentration ACM was reported to the Department of Planning as an incident in April.

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