

Beth Kramer
Principal Environmental Planner
Lightsource Development Services Australia Pty Ltd
Sent via Major Projects Portal

30/04/2026

Subject: Goulburn River Solar Farm – Request to vary Condition B3 (access route)

Dear Ms Kramer,

I refer to your revised submission dated 15 April 2026, requesting the Planning Secretary's approval to use alternative transport routes prior to heavy vehicles reaching the Golden Highway and Ringwood Road intersection. I also acknowledge your response to the Department's review comments and request for additional information.

Your request includes:

1. an alternative route for those heavy vehicles (excluding heavy vehicles requiring escort) approaching the Golden Highway/Ringwood Road intersection from the west with a proposed turn-around in Merriwa to enable a left turn from the Golden Highway into Ringwood Road as specified in Condition B4(a); and
2. flexibility in travel routes for heavy vehicles requiring escort (those not classified as high-risk), with the final approved routes to be determined through the National Heavy Vehicle Register (NHVR) permitting process or via an applicable exemption notice.

I note the request:

- has been prepared in consultation with Transport for NSW (TfNSW), Upper Hunter Shire Council (UHSC) and Mid-Western Regional Council; and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the alternative route for heavy vehicles approaching the Golden Highway/Ringwood Road intersection from the west and flexibility in travel routes for heavy vehicles requiring escort as detailed in your request dated 15 April 2026.

Please ensure a revised version of the Traffic Management Plan, updated with the details provided in your letter dated 15 April 2026. The document is to be approved by the Planning Secretary prior to the commencement of movements of heavy vehicles requiring escort.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Iwan Davies'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'I' being particularly large and stylized.

Iwan Davies
Director
Energy Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary