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Dear Miss Featherstone

West Belconnen (Ginninderry) Strategic Assessment Independent Audit, 2022

Thank you for providing the West Belconnen (Ginninderry) Strategic Assessment Independent Audit, 2022 (Audit Report) on 14 July 2022. Apologies for the delay in replying.

The endorsed *Urban Development at West Belconnen Program Report* (Program Report) requires an audit to be undertaken by an independent expert every five years for the period of approval. The purpose of the audit is to independently verify the outcomes reported in the annual reports and Program Review Report.

The department has reviewed the Audit Report and found it is consistent with the requirements set out in the Program Report.

Condition 20 of the *Environment Protection Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1999* to the West Belconnen Strategic Assessment requires audit reports to be published within one month of being endorsed and approved. Prior to publication the department requests that Appendix A be removed, it is an artifact of the audit process and therefore not required to be included in the final report. Consequently, the corresponding reference to it on page 1 of the report should also be removed.

To allow sufficient time to make changes, the department agrees that the due date to submit final report be extended to 16 September 2022 and published within one month from this date.

If you have any questions, please contact the [REDACTED], [REDACTED] [REDACTED] by email [REDACTED] or phone [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

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