



Ms Cassie Hay  
Senior Environmental Advisor  
Onshore Oil and Gas  
Santos Ltd  
By Email: [REDACTED]

31/03/2021

Dear Ms Hay

**Narrabri Gas Projects (SSD-6456)  
Approval of Biodiversity Advisory Group**

I refer to your letter of 23 March 2021 seeking approval for the establishment of the Biodiversity Advisory Group (Advisory Group) required by Condition B50 of the Narrabri Gas Project development consent (SSD-6456), in particular the inclusion of the proposed community representatives in the Advisory Group.

The Department has previously approved (letter dated 25/2/21) the independent biodiversity experts (Dr Stephen Phillips, Dr Patrick Tap and Mr Isaac Mamott) as members of the Advisory Panel and confirmed that Ms Samantha Wynn would be the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate's representative on the Advisory Panel.

Following advertising for expressions of interest for community representatives, Mr Garry West, the independent chair of the Advisory Group, has nominated the following three community members as representatives on the Advisory Panel: Ms Trudy Staines, Ms Kathryn Hamilton and Mr Ken Flower

The Department has carefully considered these nominations and consequently, the Planning Secretary approves Ms Trudy Staines, Ms Kathryn Hamilton and Mr Ken Flower as members of the Advisory Group.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Rose-Anne Hawkeswood on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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Stephen O'Donoghue  
Director  
Resource Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary