

MDPE18/4423

Mr Brian Williams  
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Dear Mr Williams

Thank you for writing to the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment about the biodiversity reports prepared for the Wilton and Greater Macarthur Growth Areas. The Secretary has asked me to reply on her behalf.

I understand that you wrote to the Office of Environment & Heritage (OEH), and a response to your email was sent from OEH on 14 December 2018. The Department has also provided a separate response to your correspondence on the rezoning of North Wilton Precinct.

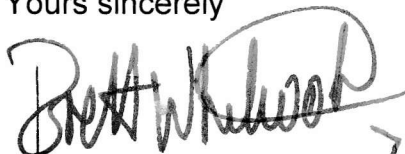
I can confirm that both biodiversity reports prepared by Eco Logical were exhibited prior to the Wilton South East rezoning on 13 April 2018. The Minister for Planning considered both these reports in making the decision to rezone Wilton South East.

The *Wilton and Greater Macarthur Priority Growth Areas, Biodiversity Study 2017* was first published on the Department's website on 9 August 2017. Consultation with OEH was undertaken prior to their advice of 27 September 2017.

The 2015 biodiversity report can be found on the Department's website [http://planspolicies.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view\\_job&job\\_id=7263](http://planspolicies.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view_job&job_id=7263). The 2017 biodiversity report can also be found on the Department's website [http://planspolicies.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view\\_job&job\\_id=8666](http://planspolicies.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view_job&job_id=8666).

If you have any more questions, please contact Ms Gwenda Kullen, Manager Land Release Team, South West Land Release, at the Department of Planning and Environment on 02 9860 1530.

Yours sincerely



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