

## Jonathon Edgecombe

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**From:** Joel Cowling <Joel.Cowling@transport.nsw.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 10:58 AM  
**To:** Christopher Wassef  
**Cc:** Paul Polansky; Michael Ferguson; Jonathon Edgecombe; Derek Mccarthy; rowan.howarth@reconstruction.nsw.gov.au; Sara Bowen; Jonathon McEvoy  
**Subject:** RE: Wolgan Rd: PCG - Site Investigations & TA Procurement

Hi Chris,

This has been discussed and TfNSW supports Council undertaking these EPAR Development activities in accordance with the Tripartite Agreement.

Regarding the templates, please ensure all TfNSW branding and references are removed, essentially this becomes Council's document inline with the points accepted by Council below:

- These are bespoke contracts, specifically drafted for Transport construction projects and that the contractual risk positions and clauses may not be appropriate for Council's intended use;
- Council should seek their own legal review of the contracts and advice if they propose to use the contracts;
- TfNSW assumes no liability in relation to Council's use of the contracts or associated documents, including that the contracts reflect current legislation, are aligned with Council positions or legislative requirements that effect Council; and
- Council needs to remove all TfNSW branding and references from the contracts and any associated documents.

Kind Regards,

**Joel Cowling**

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**From:** Christopher Wassef <Christopher.Wassef@lithgow.nsw.gov.au>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 6:30 PM

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Joel and Derek,

Great to catch up today and to update you on our immediate and medium term planned procurements to progress detailed scoping and design of the project.

Find attached a PDF copy of today's presentation which outlines our strategy.

As per slide 10 in the attached we are seeking your endorsement to commit funds to the following:

1. **Approve:** extension of existing contracts/ engagements for enviro, constructability, estimating and risk to inform the funding application/ ROI/ RFT – slide 6
  - (circa \$400k exc GST)
2. **Approve:** tranche 1 site investigations, Geotech, topographical and biodiversity survey – slide 6
  - (circa \$1m exc GST)
3. **Approve:** engagement of property specialist , subject matter experts and asset management – slide 6
  - (\$600k exc GST)
4. **Approve:** release ROI and subsequent RFT for Technical Advisor: CD&EA Services – slides 5 & 6
  - (circa \$4.5m Exc GST)
5. **Approve:** release RFT for medium-term procurements to support the Technical Advisor: CD&EA – slide 7
  - (\$TBC)

Items 1 to 4 above comes to approximately \$6.5m exc GST. Scope for Item 5 will be developed further to provide a cost estimate.

These costs will be covered by the Advanced Payments approved under the Tripartite Agreement with Lithgow City Council. The purpose of the Advance Payment is to support Lithgow City Council in the detailed scoping and design of each Project to develop the submission for Funding Approval. The items listed align with this purpose.

The total approved Advance Payment amount is \$33.7m, with approximately \$1.7m spent to date and \$32m remaining. There are sufficient remaining funds to progress items 1. To 5. listed above.

Can you please provide your endorsement to commit funds listed in Items 1. to 5. as soon as possible as the activities are critical to our master program.

Regards



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-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Christopher Wassef

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**Subject:** Wolgan Rd: PCG - Site Investigations & TA Procurement

**When:** Tuesday, 23 July 2024 10:00 AM-10:30 AM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

**Where:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

Can you please confirm availability to meet at this time to discuss Wolgan Valley Reconstruction Project with a focus on the following agenda:

1. Status of Funding Application (submitted 27 June 2024)
  - a. ITR engagement
  - b. Assessment program
  - c. Key issues of note
2. Procurement Plan Presentation (assessment period activities)
  - a. Planning and delivery of site investigations
  - b. Procurement of Technical Advisor – 30% Design & Planning Approval Services
  - c. Immediate client side engagements
  - d. Program
  - e. Forecast spend and cashflow
  - f. TfNSW and RA endorsement to commit to advanced payments
3. Other Issues

Regards



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