## Aboriginal Objects Due Diligence Assessment Employment Land Rezoning – Technical Study - Silverdale Silverdale, NSW 2752

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Dear Chandran,

## Re: Employment Land Rezoning – Technical Study - Silverdale – Aboriginal Objects Due Diligence Assessment (Niche ref: #7244)

Based on this Aboriginal Objects Due Diligence Assessment (DD), the desktop assessment and the results of the site inspection identified high levels of disturbance and modification to the ground surface within most of the Activity Area. Previous clearance of vegetation and the use of land for residential and agricultural practices has lowered the potential for in situ archaeological remains in most of the Activity Area. However, areas within the Activity Area that have not been subjected to historical vegetation clearance and disturbance and are located within 200m of a watercourse have a higher potential for in situ archaeological in the Activity Area.

The site inspection of four properties and the visual inspection of one property did not identify any Aboriginal Objects within the Activity Area.

The Due Diligence Code states that where a DD has occurred and concluded that Aboriginal Objects occur or are likely to occur, further detailed investigation and impact assessment is required. If following this detailed investigation and impact assessment, it is determined that harm will occur to Aboriginal Objects, then an AHIP application is required.

#### It is recommended that:

- An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) be prepared by a suitably qualified archaeologist in accordance with the Guide to Investigating, assessing reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW (NSW Office of Environment and Heritage [OEH],2011) and the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (DECCW,2010c). The ACHA would be required to support an application for an AHIP under s.90 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 should Aboriginal Objects and/or sites be identified.
- The proposed ACHA should document Aboriginal community consultation carried out in accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010 (DECCW, 2010b).





Please do not hesitate to contact me on **0488 774 501** or via email: <u>cfreeman@niche-eh.com</u> should you have any questions or would like to clarify details of this assessment.

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#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 The Proponent

Niche Environment and Heritage Pty Ltd (Niche) was commissioned by Wollondilly Shire Council to undertake an Aboriginal Objects Desktop Due Diligence Assessment for a preliminary Employment Land Rezoning Proposal for eleven (11) parcels of land in Silverdale NSW currently zoned as RU2 – Rural Landscape and covering a total area of approximately 231,833 m² (hereafter referred to as the 'Activity Area', Figure 1 and Figure 2).

#### 1.2 The Activity Area

#### 1.2.1 Location

The Activity Area is located in Silverdale, NSW and comprises of eleven (11) parcels of land currently zoned as RU2 – Rural Landscape and covering a total area of approximately 231,833 m². An overview of the land parcels contained within the Activity Area are provided in Table 1 below. The Activity Area is situated within the Wollondilly Shire Council Local Government Area (LGA), within Camden County and within the boundaries of the Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC).

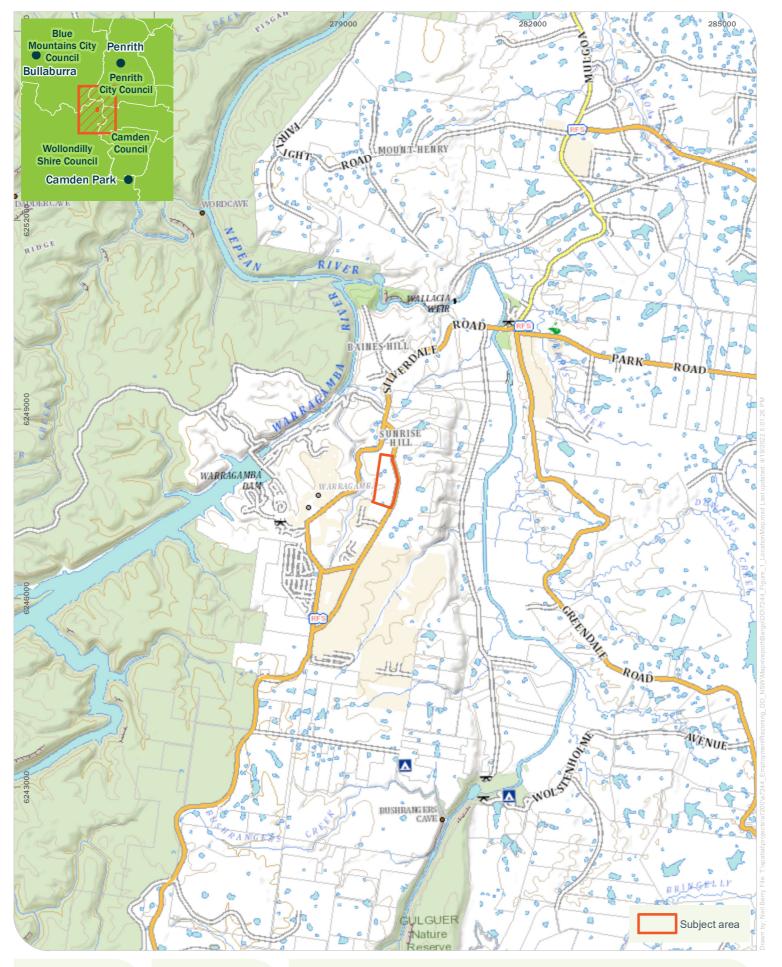
**Table 1. Activity Area** 

Lot DP	Address	Area (m²)	<b>Current Zoning</b>
Lot 4 DP 38325	2395 Silverdale Rd	20,115	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 1 DP 742841	2387 Silverdale Rd and 2389 Silverdale Rd	16,471	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 1 DP 162241	2385 Silverdale Rd	7,840	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 6 DP 38325	2375 Silverdale Rd	28,652	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 1 DP 124011	2365 Silverdale Rd	25,911	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 8 DP 1208208	2355 Silverdale Rd	26,770	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 9 DP 38325	2345 Silverdale Rd	26,385	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 2 DP 866061	2339 Silverdale Rd	13,045	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 1 DP 866061	2335 Silverdale Rd	12,948	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 11 DP 38325	2325 Silverdale Rd	25,606	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Lot 12 DP 38325	2319 Silverdale Rd	28,090	RU2 – Rural Landscape
Total		231,833	RU2 – Rural Landscape

#### 1.3 The proposed activity

Wollondilly Shire Council are undertaking preliminary Environmental Impact Technical Studies as a precursor to the preparation of the Employment Land Rezoning Proposal for the Wollondilly Shire Council. The proposed activity will involve the rezoning of eleven lots currently listed as RU2 – Rural Landscape, approximately 24 ha, of which 50% is identified as unconstrained. The Activity Area is proposed for redevelopment to allow for expansion of the existing business and new entrants in Silverdale.

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Location Map Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 1







Location of the Subject Area Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 2



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#### 1.4 Statutory controls

#### 1.4.1 Aboriginal Objects Due Diligence Assessment

The *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NPW Act), administered by Heritage NSW of the Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC), is the primary legislation for the protection of some aspects of Aboriginal cultural heritage in New South Wales (NSW). Part 6 of the NPW Act provides specific protection for Aboriginal Objects and declared Aboriginal Places by establishing offences of harm.

The NPW Act provides that a person who exercises due diligence in determining that their actions will not harm Aboriginal Objects has a defence against prosecution if they later unknowingly harm an object without an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP).

Anyone proposing to carry out an activity that may harm an Aboriginal object or a declared Aboriginal place must investigate, assess, and report on the harm that may be caused by the activity the propose.

The *Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects* (DECCW, 2010) sets out a process for individuals and organisations to follow to determine whether an Aboriginal object will be harmed by an activity, whether further investigation is needed, and whether that harm requires an AHIP.

This report was undertaken in accordance with the *Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW* (DECCW, 2010.

#### 1.5 Objectives

The aim of the assessment was to assess whether Aboriginal Objects and/or Places are present or are likely to occur within or in close proximity to the Activity Area, where those places are, and if those Aboriginal Objects and/or places may be impacted by the proposed works. This will determine whether further investigation is required.

#### 1.6 Assessment methodology

This Aboriginal Objects Desktop Due Diligence Assessment follows the process outlined in Plate 1.



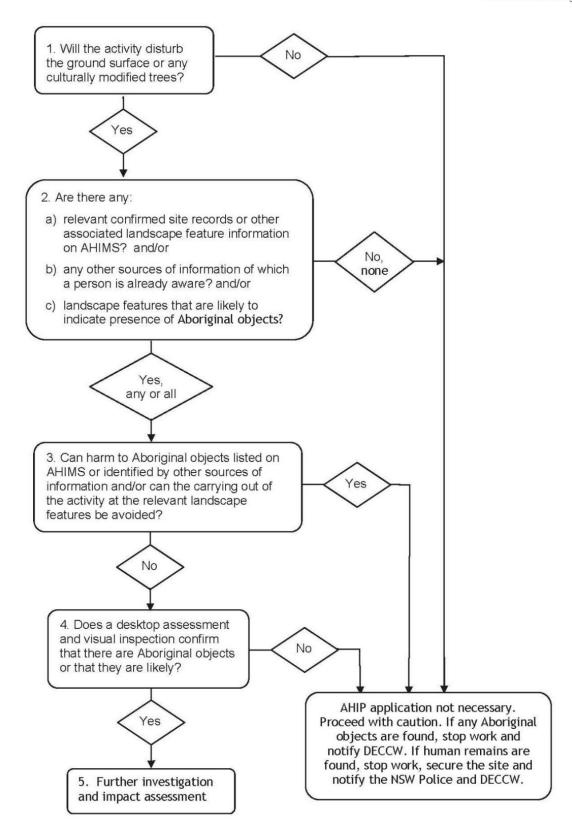


Plate 1: The due diligence assessment process



#### 2. Environmental Context

2.1 Topography

# The Activity Area is located within the Woronora Plateau, a physio-geographic region of the Sydney Basin. The plateau is an area of uplifted Hawkesbury sandstone which has been cut by deep creek gullies flowing north into the Georges River. The topography of the Activity Area is characterised by undulating to rolling low hills with slopes gradients between 10-25% with a local relief of 20 – 80m (DPIE, 2020). The landscape has broad convex crests, moderately inclined side slopes with wide benches, localised rock outcrop on low broken scarps.

#### 2.2 Geology and soils

The Activity Area is largely characterised by three soil landscapes: the Gymea erosional soil landscape, Hawkesbury colluvial soil landscape in the west, and Blacktown residual soil landscape in the east. The Activity Area is largely dominated by the Gymea soil landscape which consists of undulating to rolling rises and low gills on Hawkesbury Sandstone. The underlying geology of the Activity Area is the Hawkesbury Sandstone formation which is a medium to coarse-grained quartz sandstone with minor shale and laminate lenses (DPIE, 2020) (Figure 3 on Page 8).

The dominant soil materials within the Gymea soil landscape consist of shallow to moderately deep (30 – 100 cm) Yellow Earths and Earthy Sands on crests and insides of benches and shallow (<20 cm) Siliceous Sands on leading edges of benches. Localised Gleyed Podzolic soils and Yellow Podzolic soils are found on shale lenses, with shallow to moderately deep (<100 cm) Siliceous Sands and Leached Sands along drainage lines (DPIE, 2020). The topsoils (A horizon) consist of a loose consistency sandy loam which becomes lighter with depth and ranges from dull yellowish-brown to brown. Small inclusions of sandstone, organic materials, platy ironstone fragments, charcoal and roots are common. Subsoils consist of a yellowish-brown clayey sand with red and orange mottling occurring with depth (B horizon). Sandstone and ironstone fragments become more frequent and organic materials less apparent. Deeper soils consist of a yellowish sandy clay to yellowish brown clay (B or C horizon) and occurs over coarse sandstone or shale bedrock.

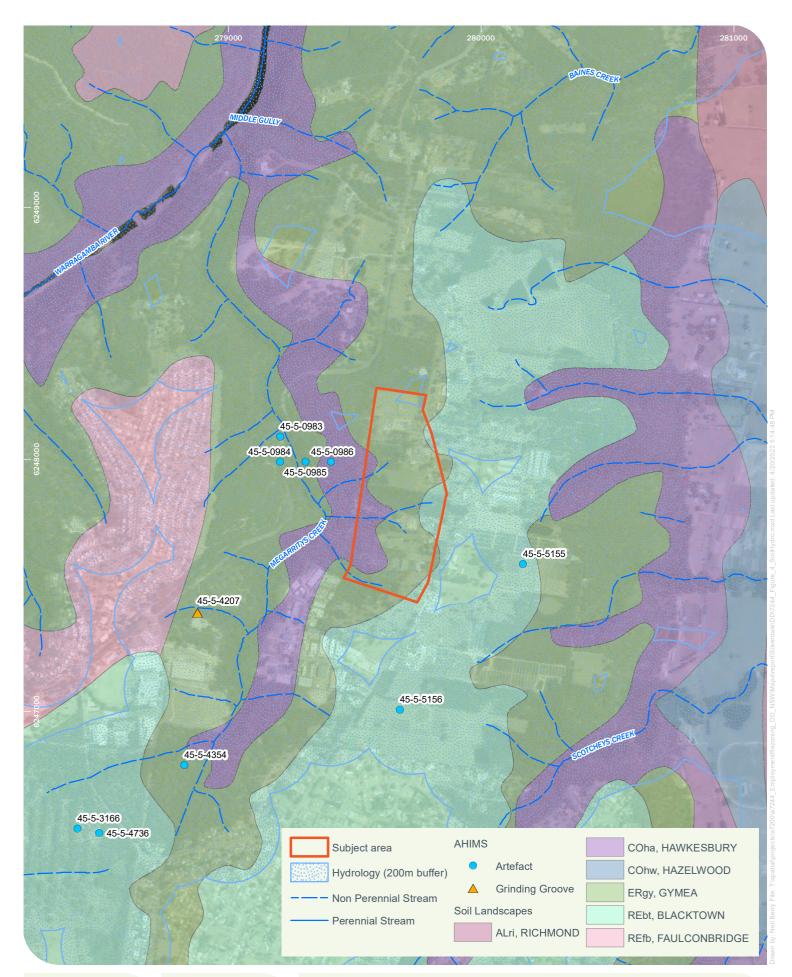
The eastern portion of the Activity Area is intersected by portions of the Blacktown soil landscape. The dominate soil materials consist of shallow to moderately deep (>100 cm) hardsetting mottled texture contrast soils. Red and brown Podzolic Soils occur on crests, grading to Yellow Podzolic Soils on lower slope and in drainage lines (DPIE, 2020). The topsoils (A horizon) consist of a friable brownish black loam to clay loam with the A2 horizon consisting of a brown clay loam to silty clay which is hardsetting. The lower B horizon consists of a brown light to medium clay with frequent red, yellow or grey mottling occurring within the soils and becomes more numerous with depth. The C horizon is made up of a plastic light grey silty clay to heavy clay which is a hardsetting basal clay with gravel-sized shale fragment inclusions.

The western extant of the Activity Area is intersected by the Hawkesbury soil landscape which runs long the Megarritys Creek line. This landscape typically occurs on steep, rugged Hawkesbury Sandstone slopes and ridges of the Hornsby Plateau in the north-east, the Blue Mountains Plateau in the west and Woronora Plateau in the south-east (DPIE, 2020). The soil profile consists of shallow (<50 cm), discontinuous Lithosols/Siliceous Sands associated with rock outcrops. Earthy Sands and Yellow Earths and locally deep sands on inside of benches and along joints and fractures. Yellow Podzolic soils and Red Podzolic soils are associated with shale lenses, and siliceous sands on narrow valley flats (DPIE, 2020). The topsoils are characterised by loose, coarse-grained quartz sands which varies in colour from brownish black to dull



yellowish brown. The subsoils consist of earthy yellowish-brown sandy clay loam, to pale strongly pedal light clays, derived from shale lenses within the Hawkesbury Sandstone.

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Soil landscapes and hydrology in the local area Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 3



#### 2.3 Vegetation

The Activity Area has largely been cleared of any native vegetation due to urban development. Any remnants of vegetation surrounding the Activity Area includes mostly dry sclerophyll woodland and open forest. Within this landscape, Common species include *Eucalyptus gummifera* (red bloodwood), *E. eximia* (yellow bloodwood), *E. haemastoma* (scribbly gum), *E. capitellata* (brown stringybark), *E. fibrosa* (broadleaved ironbark), *E. agglomerata* (blue-leaved stringybark) and *Banksia serrata* (old man banksia). The dry sclerophyll understorey consists of shrubs from the families Epacridaceae, Myrtaceae, Fabaceae and Proteaceae, as well as *Acacia spp.* and *Casuarina spp.* (DPIE, 2020).

#### 2.4 Hydrology

The closest water course is a first order non-perennial tributary (Strahler system) of Megarritys Creek located approximately 150 m west of the Activity Area (running north-south). Some smaller non-perennial drainage lines occur within the Activity Area which run into Megarritys Creek and into the major perennial Warragamba River, located approximately 1km north-west of the Activity Area. The Nepean River and associated non-perennial tributaries such as Baines Creek and Scotcheys Creek are located to the east of the Activity Area

#### 2.5 Past land use and disturbance

The Activity Area is in a largely urban and industrial area within the suburb of Silverdale. The Activity Area has been historically cleared and disturbed by farming, landscaping, and urban development. Historical aerial imagery shows that areas associated with urban development have been completely cleared of native vegetation prior to the 1950 (Figure 4c). Some native vegetation remains along the western boundary of the Activity Area, however, has cleared and disturbed between 1986 to 2002 (Figure 4b and 4a). 2005 further clearing of the northern boundary of the Activity Area is evident (Figure 5a). The development of greater infrastructure in the Activity Area is evident from 1986 (Figure 5b), with development continuing in 2005 (Figure 4a).

#### 2.6 Environmental Context Summary

In summary, the overall context of the Activity Area provides a picture of a landscape that has been subject to significant levels of historical disturbance relating to the clearing of native and introduced vegetation, farming, and associated infrastructure. This suggests that any potential archaeology within the Activity Area will largely be disturbed. However, areas revealing limited or no historical disturbance may contain higher levels of sub-surface potential due to the Blacktown and Gymea soil profiles of the Activity Area indicating relatively deep A1 Horizon. This together with close proximity to water has the potential to reveal areas of high archaeological sensitivity. The geology of the Activity Area primarily consists of shales and coarsegrained quartz sandstone, neither source is conducive to tool production. This may limit the archaeological protentional of the Activity Area. If stone tools are evident, they may be of a different material and therefore brought in from elsewhere.







Historical aerial photographs - 2002 Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 4a



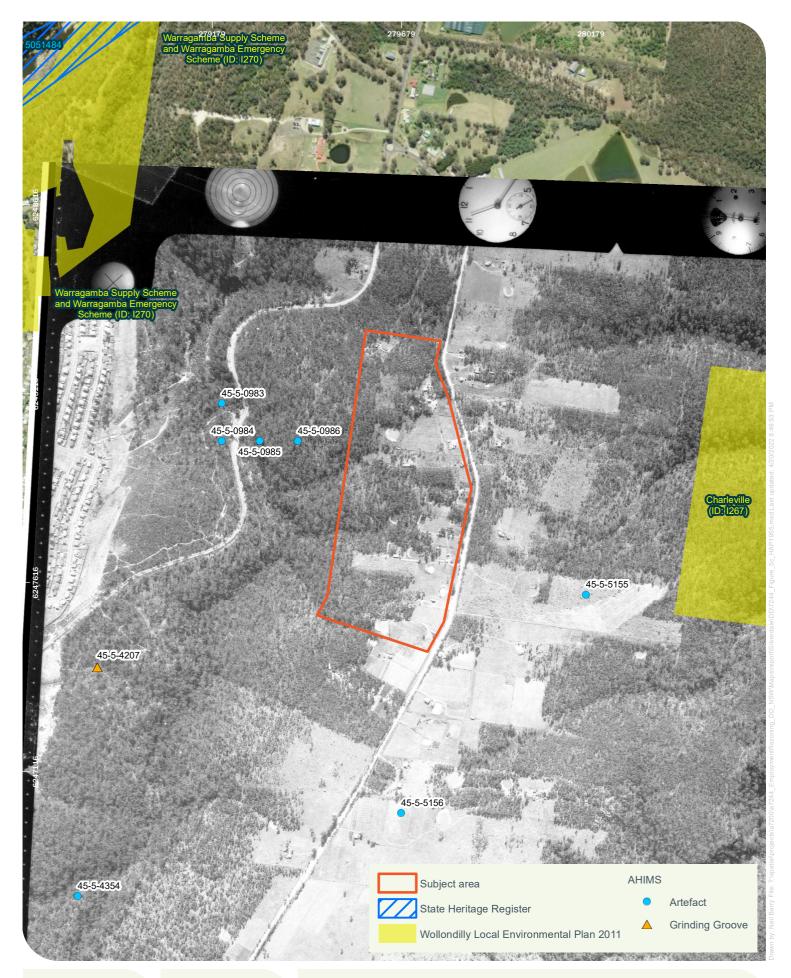




Historical aerial photographs - 1986 Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 4b







Historical aerial photographs - 1955 Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 4c



#### 3. Aboriginal Objects due diligence assessment

## Is the proposed activity a low impact activity as defined by the Regulation? No.

The activity is not a low impact activity as defined under section 80B of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009 ('the Regulation') because:

It involves earthworks associated with rezoning of land for industrial or light industrial use.

## Step 1 - Will the activity disturb the ground surface or any Aboriginal culturally modified (scarred) trees?

Yes.

The proposed activity involves earthworks and vegetation clearance associated with the demolition of existing buildings and structures, tree removal and levelling of the land. The proposed activity therefore has the potential to disturb Aboriginal Objects, if present. No trees hold signs of cultural modification within the area of the proposed works.

## Step 2a -Are there any relevant confirmed site records or other associated landscape feature information on AHIMS?

No.

**Heritage Registers** 

#### **AHIMS**

An extensive search of the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) was conducted on the 19 April 2022 (AHIMS Client Service ID#676125) for the following area: Latitude, Longitude from - 33.9001, 150.5858 and Latitude, Longitude to - 33.8759, 150.6476 (see Appendix 1) around the Activity Area. This allows for an assessment of the site features that can be expected based on those that are currently recorded in the wider local context.

A total of thirteen (13) Aboriginal cultural heritage sites were located within the AHIMS search zone, however no previously recorded Aboriginal cultural heritage sites exist within the Activity Area or adjacent (i.e., within 200 m) to the Activity Area (Figure 5). Table 2 outlines AHIMS sites that are located within 1 km of the Activity Area.



Table 2: AHIMS sites within 1 km of the Activity Area

AHIMS ID	Site Name	Site Features	Potential to be harmed
45-5-0986	PAD 4	Shelter with deposit, Artefact	Nil
45-5-0985	PAD 3	Shelter with deposit, Artefact	Nil
45-5-0984	PAD 2	Shelter with deposit, Artefact	Nil
45-5-0983	GPAD 1	Shelter with deposit, Artefact	Nil
45-5-5155	SD-IF-01	Artefact	Nil
45-5-5156	SD-IF-02	Artefact	Nil
45-5-4207	Production Ave Grinding Grooves 1	Grinding Groove	Nil
45-5-4354	MC-OS-01	Artefact	Nil

No previously registered Aboriginal cultural heritage sites would not be impacted by the proposed activity.

It must be noted that care should be taken when using the AHIMS database to reach conclusions about site prevalence or distribution. The distribution of registered sites does not reflect patterns of occupation, but rather is often indicative of survey coverage and conditions.

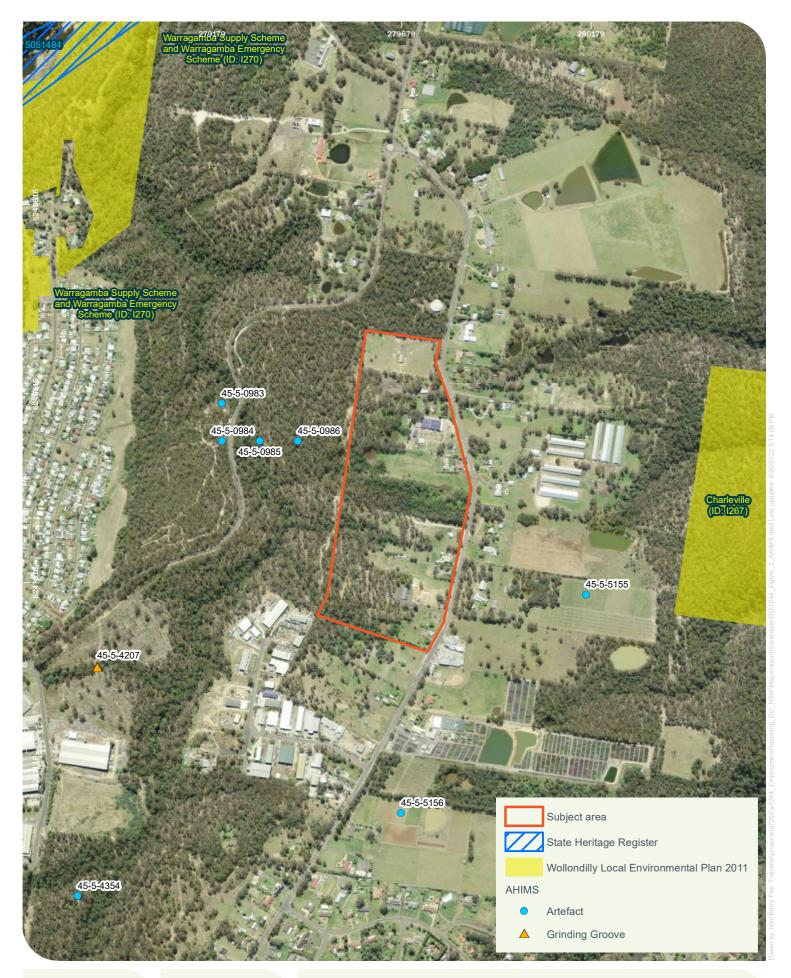
#### Other heritage registers

Searches of the Australian World Heritage Database, the Commonwealth Heritage List, National Heritage List, State Heritage Register, the Wollondilly Local Environmental Plan (LEP) (2014) and the Wollondilly Development Control Plan (DCP) (2016) were conducted on the 21 April 2022.

The searches concluded that there are no recorded Aboriginal heritage items within, or directly adjacent to, the Activity Area. Heritage items of national, state and local significance that were identified to be associated with the Activity Area and/or surrounding region are summarised in Table 3 below and illustrated in Figure 5.

Table 3: Listed heritage items in proximity to the Activity Area

Heritage Register	Items in the Activity Area	Items within 1km to the Activity Area
Australian World Heritage Database	NA	NA
Commonwealth Heritage List	NA	NA
National Heritage Register	NA	NA
State Heritage Register	NA	<ul> <li>Warragamba Emergency Scheme (01376)</li> </ul>
Schedule 5 of Wollondilly LEP (2014)	NA	<ul> <li>Chareville (ID:I1267)</li> <li>Warragamba Supply Scheme and Warragamba Emergency Scheme (ID: I270)</li> </ul>
Wollondilly Development Control Plan (2016)	NA	Warragamba Conservation Area (C4)







Location of AHIMS Sites and Heritage Items Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 5



# Step 2b - Are there any other sources of information of which a person is already aware? Yes.

Previous heritage assessments within or relevant to the Activity Area

Most assessments previously conducted within the local area have been undertaken in relation to the construction and maintenance of Warragamba Dam in the vicinity to the Silverdale area. Previous heritage assessments undertaken in the surrounding areas of the Activity Area and within, can indicate the archaeological potential or significance within the area.

Table 4 below provides a summary of heritage assessments that have occurred within proximity to the Activity Area.

Table 4: Heritage assessments in proximity to the Activity Area

Author	Title	Description/Outcomes
Helen Brayshaw Heritage Consultants, 1999	Warragamba Dam Spillway – Archaeological Survey for Aboriginal Sites	Helen Brayshaw Heritage Consultants were commissioned to complete an archaeological survey for Aboriginal sites for a spoil emplacement associated with the spillway construction at Warragamba Dam; located approximately 1 km from the current Activity Area.  A field survey was conducted that did not identify any archaeological sites within the study area and therefore there were no heritage constraints on the development. No further archaeological investigation was recommended.
Archaeological & Heritage Management Solutions (AHMS) Pty Ltd, 2005	Warragamba STP Effluence Discharge Pipeline, Warragamba, NSW – Aboriginal heritage Impact Assessment	AHMS were commissioned by Priority Sewerage Program Alliance Team at Sydney Water to complete an Aboriginal Archaeological assessment for the effluent pipeline route at Warragamba,NSW; located approximately 1.3kms from the current Activity Area  The archaeological survey of the pipeline route was carried out with representative of the Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council and the Gundungurra Tribal Council. The survey covered the whole study area and was conducted to identify any Aboriginal archaeological sites or Objects. The survey identified 1 isolated artefact and 3 open artefact scatters in Warragamba Park. Areas of high to moderate potential for Aboriginal sites were identified. Management strategies were recommended to conserve Aboriginal sites and Potential Archaeological Deposits. It was recommended the approved pipeline be reconsidered, a redesign of the route of the pipeline to avoid impact to Aboriginal sites and PAD and further archaeological investigation be undertaken.
Helen Brayshaw, 1993	Notes of Warragamba Dam EIS – Spillway – Archaeological survey for Aboriginal Sites	Archaeological surveys were carried out in 1992 and 1993 as part of the Warragamba EIS in consultation with the Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council. The assessment is located approximately 1km from the current Activity Area  The survey focused on plateau and gullies on the left bank of Warragamba Dam as the areas were less disturbed. The survey did not identify evidence of Aboriginal occupation.



Author	Title	Description/Outcomes
		The east side of the dam was identified to be extensively modified during dam construction. The western side, though less disturbed, showed evidence of bulldozing, surveyors cairns and vehicle tracks. The survey identified that on the basis of environmental and topographical features, it was unlikely that any significant sites were within the study area.

#### **Previous Heritage Assessment Summary**

Previous heritage assessments in and around the Silverdale area have focused on the construction of the Warragamba Dam and associated infrastructure. Previous heritage assessments by Brayshaw (1993 & 1999) focused on the construction of the Warragamba Dam Spillway. Site inspections were undertaken as part of both assessments, neither identifying any Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within the surveyed area. However, AHMS (2005) heritage assessment of the Warragamba Dam pipeline identified 4 previously unrecorded Aboriginal cultural heritage sites, identifying the area of survey to have moderate – high archaeological potential.

## Step 2c - Are there landscape features that are likely to indicate the presence of Aboriginal Objects?

Yes.

The following landscape features listed in the Due Diligence Code signify high potential for the presence of Aboriginal Objects:

- Within 200 m of waters, or
- Located within a sand dune system, or
- Located on a ridge top, ridge line or headland, or
- Located within 200 m below or above a cliff face, or
- Within 20 m of or in a cave, rock shelter, or cave mouth and is on land that is not disturbed land.

In accordance with the Due Diligence Code of Practice, the Activity Area is located within 200 m of water, this therefore signifies a higher potential for Aboriginal Objects to occur.

Three first order and one second order non perennial streams are located within the Activity Area, running through Lot 6/DP38325, Lot 1/DP124011, Lot 8/DP1208208, Lot 9/DP38325 and Lot 12/DP38325 (Figure 3 on Page 8). The streams are tributaries of Megarritys Creek, a second order non perennial water course which feeds the Warragamba River. In accordance with the Due Diligence Code of Practice, there is a higher probability of Aboriginal Objects occurring within land that is within 200 m of water.

Water is one of the most important resources to human occupation in a landscape and is considered the primary factor for the prediction of Aboriginal Objects in a landscape. Across NSW, there is a strong correlation to the presence, frequency and density of Aboriginal Objects with the abundance and permanency of waterbodies. Areas within 200 m of water are identified by the Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales (DECC, 2010) as landscape features likely to indicate the presence of Aboriginal Objects.



Under the legislation, land is considered disturbed "if it has been the subject of human activity that has changed the land's surface, being changed that remain clear and visible" (DECCW 2010c: 7). Examples of activities that may disturb land include soil ploughing, vegetation clearing and the construction of buildings, structures, roads, tracks, and trails. The Activity Area has been found to be disturbed by prior activities such as vegetation clearing, earthworks, agricultural use, residential structures and the construction of roads and tracks. Accordingly, past disturbances, means that the likelihood of finding significant in situ surface and subsurface cultural deposits is reduced.

#### Step 3 – Can the harm or the activity be avoided?

No.

The rezoning activity cannot be avoided. While no AHIMS are recorded within the Activity Area, the desktop assessment indicates that the Activity Area contains landscape features that are likely to indicate the presence of Aboriginal Objects. To avoid harm, further investigation is required.

## Step 4 - Does a desktop assessment and visual inspection confirm that there are Aboriginal Objects or that they are likely?

A site inspection was conducted by Chelsea Freeman (Heritage Consultant, Niche) and Sam Ward (Heritage Consultant, Niche) on 17 May and 18 May 2022. A total of 4 properties were inspected as part of the site inspections and an additional property was viewed from Silverdale Road (Figure 6). No Aboriginal cultural heritage sites were identified during the site inspections.

#### 2319 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2319 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2319 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows the clearance of vegetation for agricultural use of the eastern half of the property. Clearance of vegetation the eastern half of the property for agricultural and residential use is evident in historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b). Historical imagery does not indicate disturbance for the western half of the property, therefore Aboriginal Objects are more likely to remain insitu.

#### 2325 Silverdale Rd

A site inspection of 2325 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, was not conducted as access was not provided. However, permission to view the property from Silverdale Rd was granted by the property owner. Property 2325 form a street view was cleared of vegetation and landscaped for the construction of a residential infrastructure. A desktop review indicates the property is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows the front of the property to be cleared of vegetation for agricultural use and the construction of infrastructure and a dam. Historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b) show the removal of the dam and infrastructure and the regrowth of vegetation in the front section of the property. The historical imagery indicated minimal disturbance to the rear of the property increasing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in-situ on the property.

#### 2335 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2335 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2335 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water

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course and within the Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows the clearance of vegetation for agricultural use across the majority property. Historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b) show the maintained vegetation clearance across the property and the construction of residential infrastructure. The constant use and maintenance of the property indicates the property has been disturbed, reducing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in situ on the property.

#### 2339 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2339 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2339 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows minimal clearance of vegetation at the property, however, clearance has occurred for the construction of a dam. Historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b) shows further clearance of vegetation and the construction of residential and agricultural infrastructure. The constant use and development of the property indicate the property has been disturbed, reducing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in situ on the property.

#### 2345 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2345 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2345 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows minimal clearance of vegetation at the property, however, clearance has occurred for the construction of two dams. Historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b) shows further clearance of vegetation and the construction of residential and agricultural infrastructure. The constant use and maintenance of the property indicates the property has been disturbed, reducing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in situ on the property. However, the western boundary of the property does not show evidence of vegetation clearance in the historical imagery, therefore Aboriginal Objects are more likely to remain in-situ.

#### 2355 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2355 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2355 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows minimal clearance of vegetation at the property, however, clearance has occurred for the construction of a dam. Historical imagery from 1986 (Figure 4b) shows a drastic clearance of vegetation to approximately 70% of the property and a reduction in the size of the Dam. Historical imagery from 2002 (Figure 4a) shows partial regrowth of the western portion of the property and the maintained clearance of the eastern portion of the property. The constant use and development of the property indicate the property has been disturbed, reducing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in situ on the property.

#### 2365 Silverdale Rd

A site inspection of 2365 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, was conducted on 18 May 2022. The property consisted of a residential property with a large, grassed paddock behind the single standing residential structure (Plate 2). The rear paddock was cleared of approximately 80% of vegetation and had poor Ground Surface Visibility (GSV) due to the dense grass (Plate 4 - Plate 5). The western most boundary of the property has



poor GSV due to overgrown uncleared vegetation surrounding a waterlogged swamp area (Plate 3). No Aboriginal Objects were identified through the visual inspection.

#### 2375 Silverdale Rd

A desktop assessment has been undertaken of property 2375 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, as access was not provided at the time of the site inspection. Property 2375 Silverdale Rd is located within 200 m of a water course and within the Blacktown, Gymea and Hawkesbury Soil landscapes. Historical aerial imagery from 1955 (Figure 4c) shows the clearance of vegetation for agricultural use across the majority property and the construction of a dam and residential infrastructure. Historical imagery from 1986 and 2002 (Figure 4a - Figure 4b) show further clearance of vegetation and the construction of agricultural infrastructure. The constant use and development of the property indicate the property has been disturbed, reducing the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in situ on the property.

#### 2385 Silverdale Rd

A site inspection of 2385 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, was conducted on 18 May 2022. The property consisted of a small residential property with a landscaped and manicure front lawn with high GSV (Plate 6 - Plate 7). The rear of the property consisted of small agricultural area, with moderate GSV and a dam and agricultural infrastructure (Plate 8 - Plate 9). The property has been highly disturbed through residential and agricultural use. During the site inspection the property owner note that property has previously been subjected to high intensity bush fires and rebuilding of infrastructure was required. The high level of disturbance to the property reduces the likelihood of Aboriginal Objects to remain in-situ on the property.

#### 2387 Silverdale Rd

A site inspection of 2387 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, was conducted on 17 May 2022. The property has been completely cleared for residential use of the property, with a few free-standing trees remaining on the property. The property has high GSV, approximately 90%, due to the extensive vegetation clearance in the property (Plate 10 - Plate 13). Extensive landscaping has occurred to level to property, allowing for the construction of residential infrastructure. Large heavy-duty fences and gates have been constructed around the property as part of the property owner's commercial business. No Aboriginal Objects were identified during the site inspection.

#### 2395 Silverdale Rd

A site inspection of 2395 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale, was conducted on 18 May 2022. The property has been disturbed through residential use. The property consists of a small freestanding residential building with driveway, rear shed and associated infrastructure. The rear of the property has been cleared of vegetation, with high GSV, and small areas of exposure along the rear fence line (Plate 14 - Plate 19.) No Aboriginal Objects were identified during the site inspection.

#### **Visual Inspection Summary**

No Aboriginal cultural heritage sites were identified in the Activity Area through site inspection and desktop review. Throughout the Activity Area, significant disturbance is evident as a result of extensive vegetation clearing, landscaping and the construction of infrastructure associated with residential and agricultural use. However, desktop review of properties 2319 Silverdale Rd, 2325 Silverdale Rd and 2345 Silverdale Rd indicate minimal historical disturbance, therefore having a greater likelihood of in-situ Aboriginal Objects.





Plate 2. Cleared vegetation at property 2365 Silverdale Rd.

Plate 3. Waterlogged swamp area at rear of property 2365 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 4. Cleared vegetation at property 2365 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 5. Cleared vegetation at property 2365 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 6. Landscaped manicured front lawn of property 2385 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 7. Landscaped manicured front lawn of property 2385 Silverdale Rd.





Plate 8. Agricultural infrastructure at the rea of property 2385 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 9. Dam at rear of property 2385 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 10. Cleared vegetation and residential and commercial infrastructure at property 2387 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 11. Rear of property 2387 Silverdale Rd backing onto Sydney Water Warragamba Dam property.



Plate 12. Cleared vegetation and residential and commercial infrastructure at property 2387 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 13. Cleared vegetation and residential and commercial infrastructure at property 2387 Silverdale Rd.





Plate 14. Residential infrastructure and driveway of property 2395 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 15. Rear of property 2395 Silverdale Rd, cleared of vegetation.



Plate 16. Vegetation along boundary of 2395 Silverdale Rd..



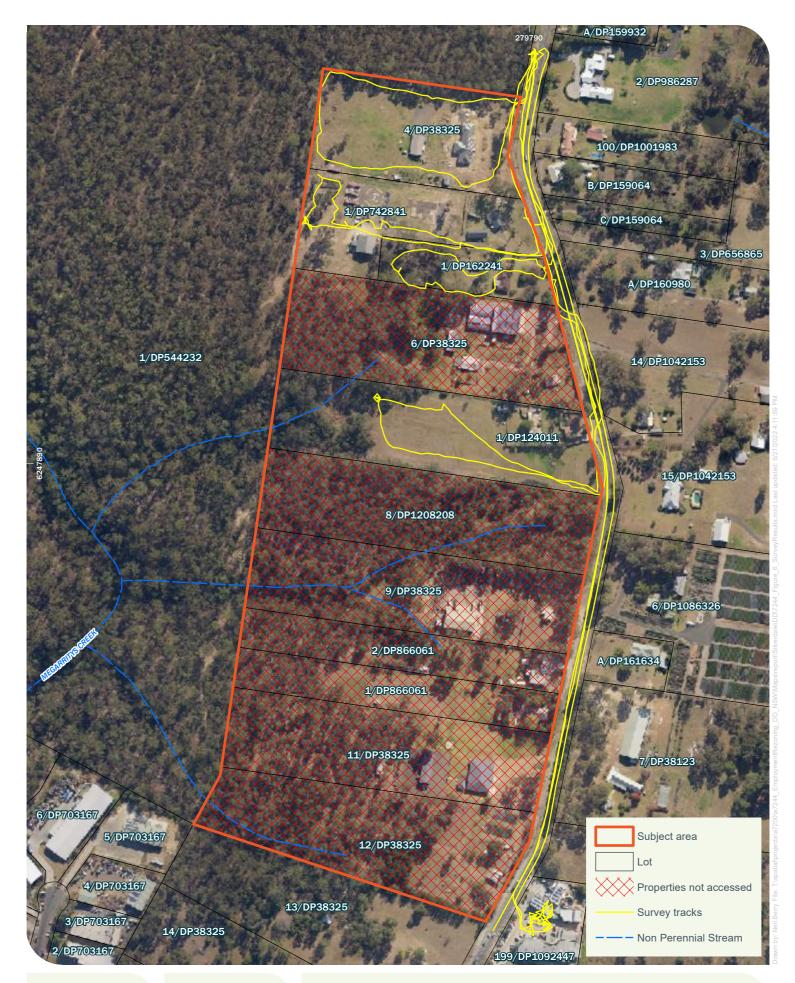
Plate 17. Property 2387 Silverdale Rd as viewed from 2395 Silverdale Rd.



Plate 18. Property 2395 Silverdale Rd cleared of vegetation.



Plate 19. Exposure near rear boundary fence line at property 2395 Silverdale Rd.







Location of the Subject Area Employment Land Rezoning - Silverdale

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Figure 6



#### **Step 5 – Are further investigations and impact assessments needed?**

Yes.

Based on the site inspection and desktop assessment of properties that were unable to be accessed, it is concluded that Aboriginal Objects are likely to occur in areas of the Activity Area. The Due Diligence code stages that where a DD has occurred and concluded that Aboriginal Objects are likely to occur, further detailed investigation and impact assessment is required.



#### 4. Conclusions and Recommendations

Wollondilly Shire Council has commissioned Niche to undertake the Due Diligence to assess:

- whether Aboriginal Objects and/or Places are present or are likely to occur within or in close proximity to the Activity Area,
- where those places are, and
- whether those Aboriginal Objects and/or places may be impacted by the rezoning and future development of the Activity Area.

The desktop assessment and the results of the site inspection identified high levels of disturbance and modification to the ground surface within most of the Activity Area. Previous clearance of vegetation and the use of land for residential and agricultural practices has lowered the potential for in situ archaeological remains in most of the Activity Area. However, areas within the Activity Area that have not been subjected to historical vegetation clearance have a higher potential for in situ archaeological remains in the Activity Area. These areas will require further investigation to determine their sub-surface archaeological potential.

The site inspection of four properties and the visual inspection of one property did not identify any Aboriginal Objects within the Activity Area.

The Due Diligence Code states that where a DD has occurred and concluded that Aboriginal Objects are likely to occur, further detailed investigation and impact assessment is required. If, following this detailed investigation and impact assessment, it is determined that harm will occur to Aboriginal Objects, then an AHIP application is required.

#### It is recommended that:

- An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) be prepared by a suitably qualified archaeologist in accordance with the Guide to Investigating, assessing reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW (NSW Office of Environment and Heritage [OEH],2011) and the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (DECCW,2010c). The ACHA would be required to support an application for an AHIP under s.90 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 should Aboriginal Objects and/or sites be identified.
- The proposed ACHA should document Aboriginal community consultation carried out in accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010 (DECCW, 2010b).



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### Appendix 1 – AHIMS extensive search



#### **AHIMS Web Services (AWS)**

#### Extensive search - Site list report

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Valid - The site has been recorded and accepted onto the system as valid

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Partially Destroyed - The site has been only partially impacted or harmed usually as consequence of permit activity but sometimes also after natural events. There might be parts or sections of the original site still present on the ground

Not a site - The site has been originally entered and accepted onto AHIMS as a valid site but after further investigations it was decided it is NOT an aboriginal site. Impact of this type of site does not require permit but Heritage NSW should be notified

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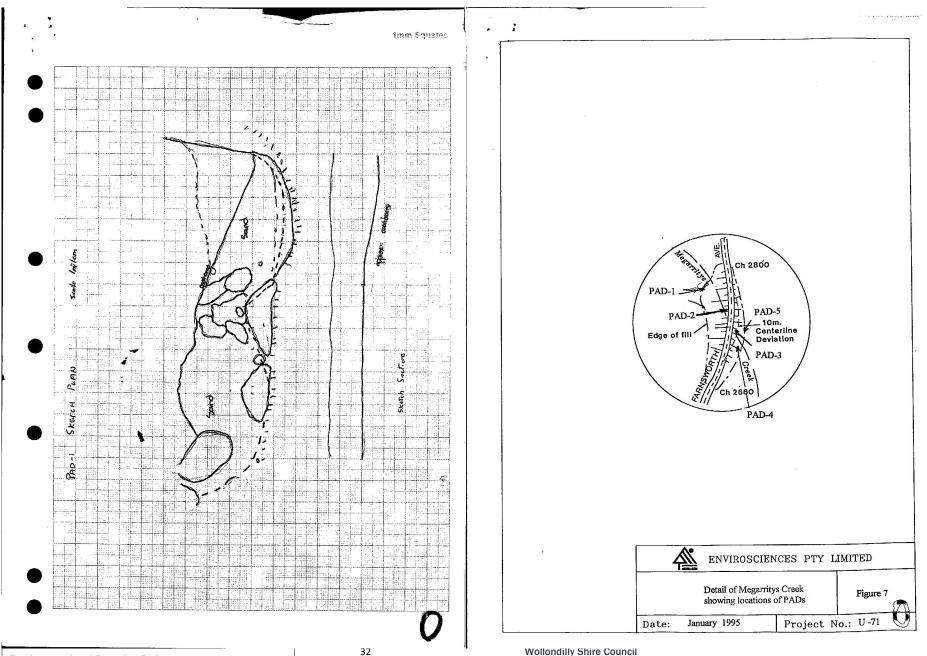
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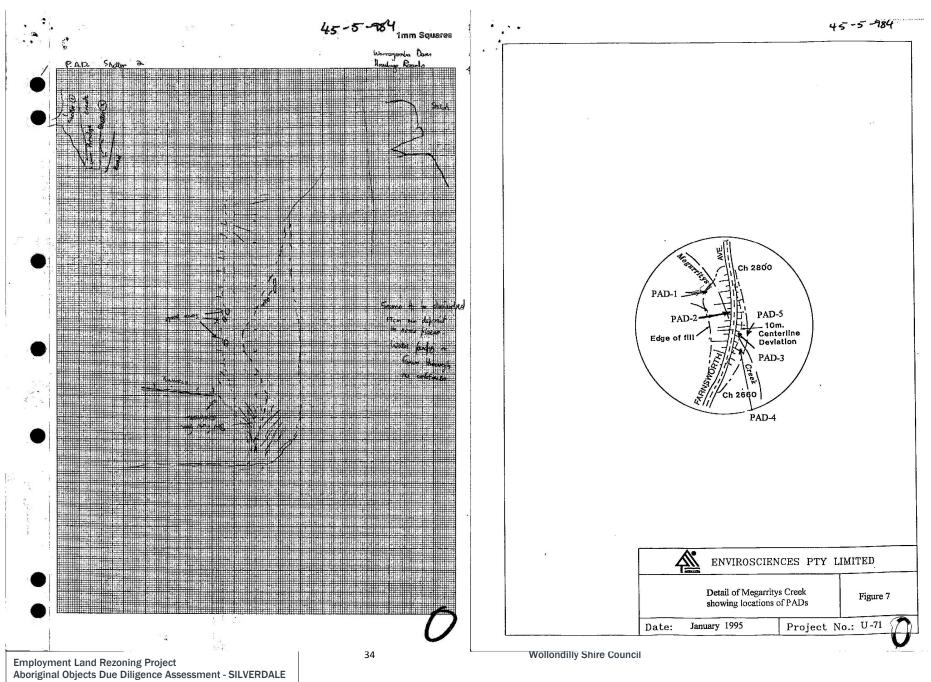
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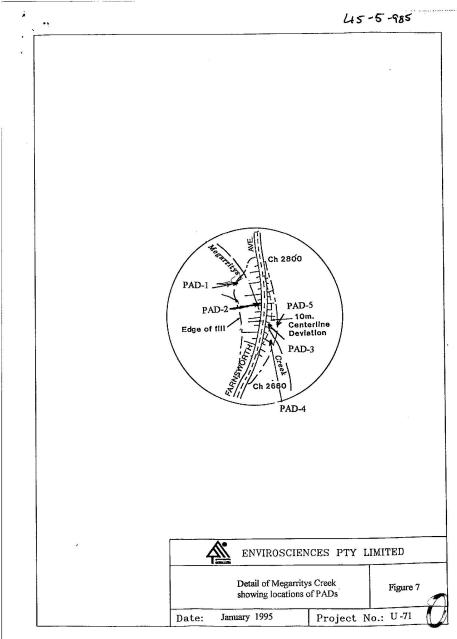
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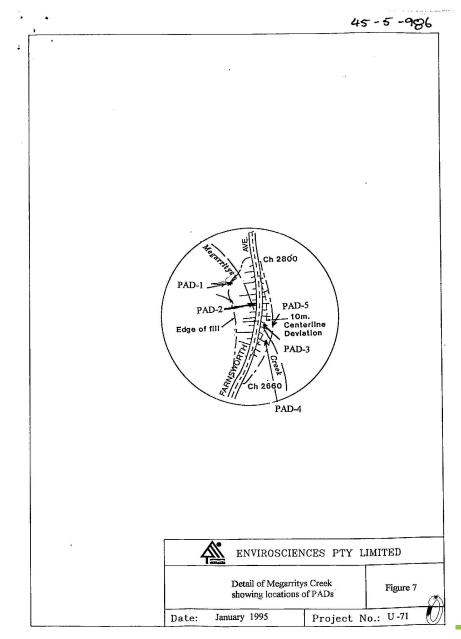


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(Attach additional information separately) If not, why not? NPWS Report Verbal/written reference sources (including full title of accompanying report) An archaeological Survey of Worrogamba Dam Checklist: Condition of site: surface visibility, damage/disturbance/ Unknown threat to site Recommendations for management & protection (attach separate sheet if necessary): establish nature of archaeological deposit Date: 26/09/94 Site recorded by: Thin STURRY Address/institution:

SITE POSITION & EN	VIRONMENT . OFFICE USE	ONLY: NPWS site no:
1. Land form a. beach	h/hill slope/ridge top, etc: bhellor b.	site aspect: horth c. slope:
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f. Local rock type:	authorbery Sandistane g. Land use/effect:	
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3. Resource Zone asso	ociated with site (estuarine, riverine, forest etc):	
4. Vegetation:		
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5. Edible plants noted		
6. Faunal resources (ir	nclude shellfish):	¥
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deposit, structure, element eg. tree scar, grooves in rock.	The site is a long overhang of Megarities (role. Site mostly is suspect transported The creek is full of	a by flood waters ,
DEPOSIT: colour,	The creek is full of	
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colours, wet, dry pigment, technique of	Jan.	
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BURIALS: number & condition of bone,		1170 4
position, age, sex, associated artefacts.		
TREES: number, alive,		
dead, likely age, scar shape, position, size,		
patterns, axe marks, regrowth	Shelch meetion (not to now	rle)
QUARRIES: rock type,		
debris, recognisable artefacts, percentage quarried.		
OTHER SITES EG. structures (fish traps,		
stone arrangements,		
bora rings, mia mias), mythological sites, rock		
holes, engraved groove channels, contact sites	Attach sketches etc, eg. plan & section of shelter, show rel	ation between site contents
(missions massacres cemeteries) as	indicate north, show scale.	and the contents,
appropriate	Attach annotated photos (stereo where useful) showing sca	le, particularly for art sites.

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Site Context							
Landform	Landform Unit						
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Plain	Coastal rock platform		Cliff		Plain	<b>√</b>	Stream channel
Rolling hills	Dune		Crest		Ridge		Swamp
Steep hills	Intertidal flat		Flat		Tor		Terrace
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Shelter/Cave Formation  Boulder  Wind erosion  Water erosion  Rock collapse  Condition of Ceiling  Boulder  Weathered  Other platform  Sandstone platform  North  Sandstone platform  North  Sandstone platform  Silica gloss  East  Tessellated  North East  South East  Weathered  Other platform  South West  West  North West		2. Aboriginal Resource & Gathering  3. Art  4. Artefact  5. Burial  6. Ceremonial Ring  7. Conflict  8. Earth Mound  9. Fish Trap  ✓ 10. Grinding Groove  11. Habitation Structure  12. Hearth  13. Non Human Bone & Organic Material  14. Ochre quarry  15. Potential Archaeological Deposit  16. Stone Quarry  17. Shell  18. Stone Arrangement  19. Modified Tree  20. Water Hole	Preliminary Site Assessment Site Cultural & Scientific Analysis and Preliminary Management Recommendations see accompanying report
Site Plan Indicate scale, boundaries of site, fe	NE NE SE	Site Dimensions  Closed Site Dimensions (m)  Internal length Internal width Shelter height Shelter floor area  Open Site Dimensions (m)  Total length of visible site Average width of visible site Estimated area of visible site Length of assessed site area	This section should only be filled in by the Endorsees  Endorsed by: Knowledge Holder Nominated Trustee Native Title Holder Community Cor Title Surname First Name Initials  Organisation Address Phone number Fax  Attachments (No.)  A4 location map  BW photographs Colour photographs Slides Aerial photographs Site plans, drawings Recording tables  Cother Feature inserts-No.



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Grasslands	Established urban	Distance to temporary water source	8.2 metres
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Open forest	Farming-low intensity	Name of nearest temporary water	Unnamed tributary
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	Service corridor	MC-OS-01 is located 27m south.	
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Boulder	Boulder	N-S	3. Art
Wind erosion	Sandstone platform	✓ NE-SW	4. Artefact
Water erosion	Silica gloss	E-W	5. Burial
Rock collapse	Tessellated	SE-NW	6. Ceremonial Ring
	Weathered	N/A	7. Conflict
	Other platform		8. Earth Mound
Condition of Ceiling	Shelter Aspect		9. Fish Trap
Boulder	North	3	10. Grinding Groove
Sandstone platform	North East		11. Habitation Structure
Silica gloss	East		12. Hearth
Tessellated	South East		13. Non Human Bone & Organic Material
Weathered	South		14. Ochre quarry
Other platform	South West		15. Potential Archaeological Deposit
	West		16. Stone Quarry
	North West		17. Shell
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SE	Name of nearest permanent water source  Name of nearest temporary water	m	RE Feature Environment (Complete when feature environment differs to afte environment, use attributes from cover card, p. 2)  Land form	Boardwalk  Fencing  Closure to public  Continued inspection  Fire hazard reduction  Expert assessment  Meeting with land manager  Revegetation  Signage  Soil erosion control  Track closure/re-routing  Additional recording	Stratified   Stratified   Northing	Site Name MC-OS-01  mportance Contributes to primary site importa  Percentage of Non-stone Artefacts to Percentage of Stone Artefacts  9% 10-19% 20-29% 30-39% 40-49% 50-59% 60-69% 70-79% 80-89% 90-100%	CT page 1

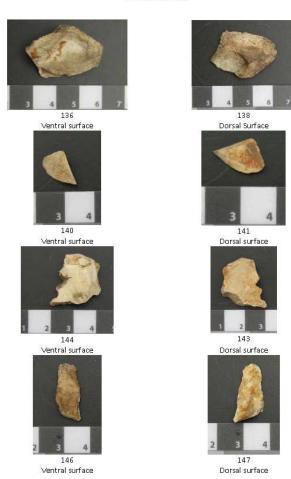


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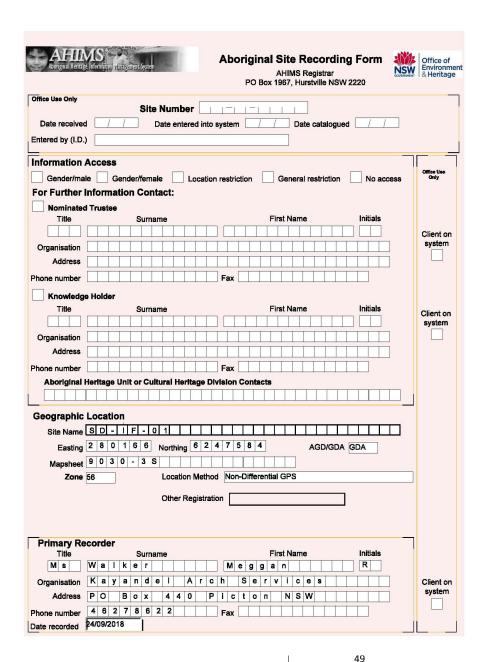




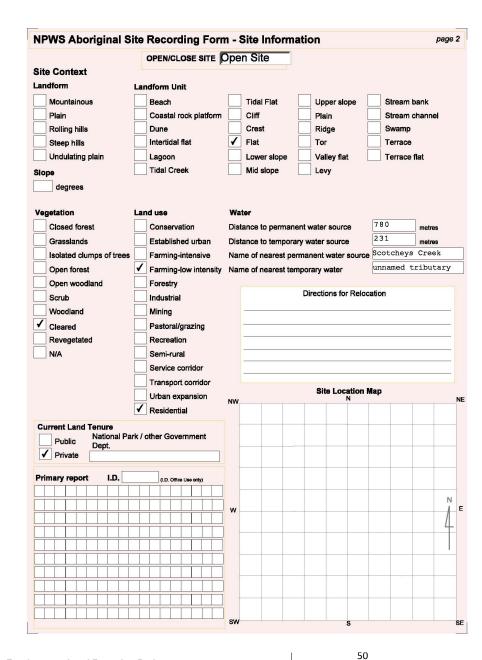
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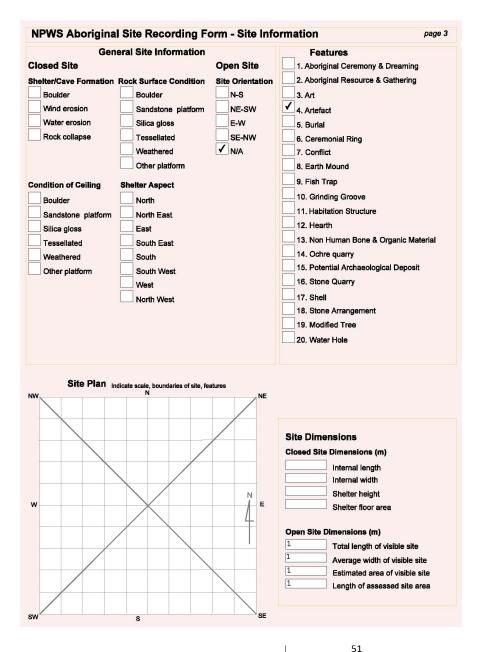




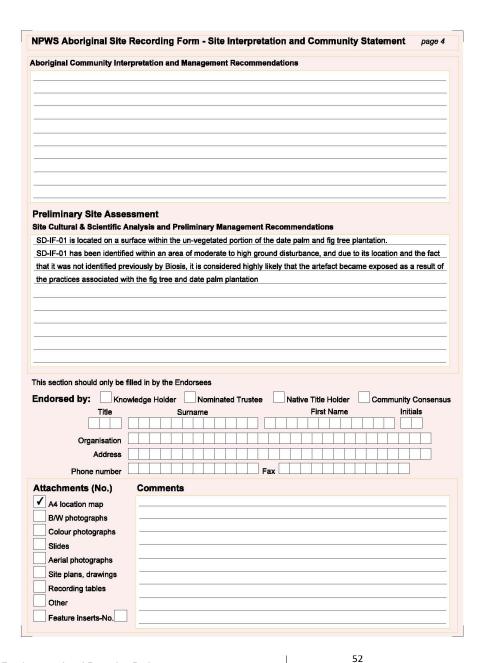


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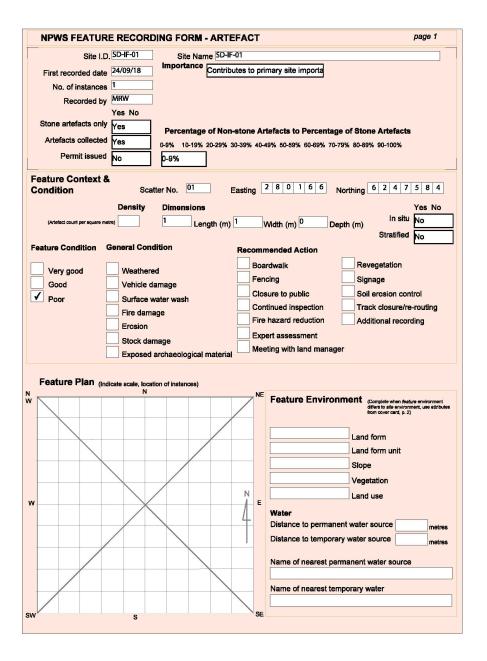




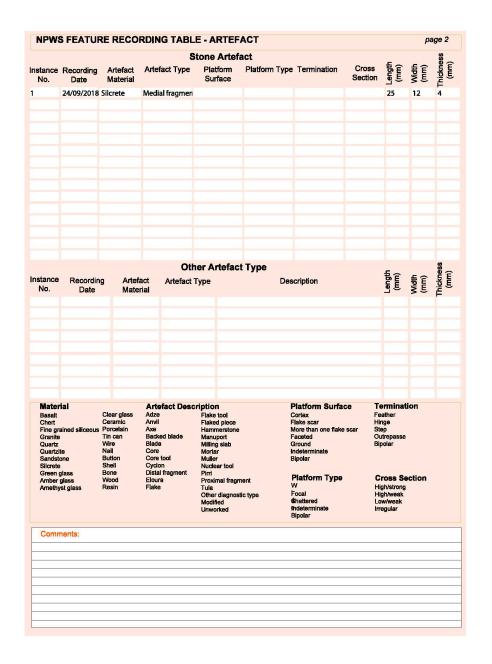


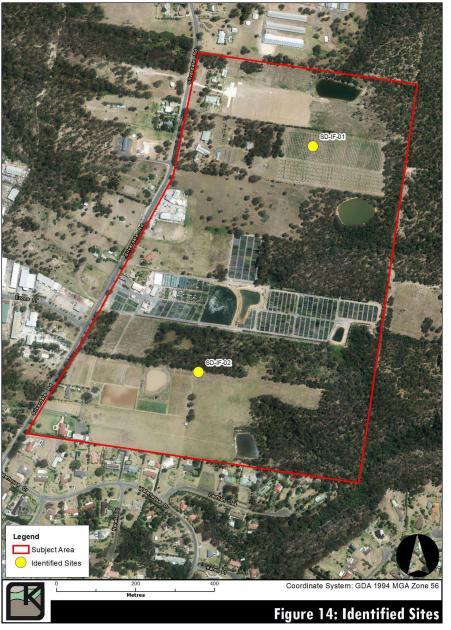






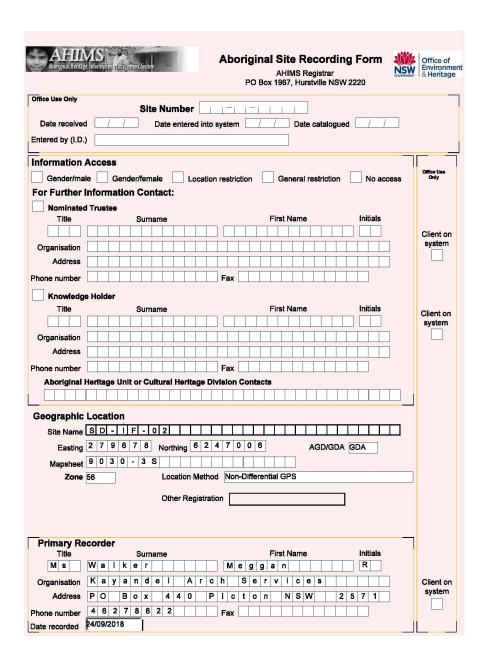




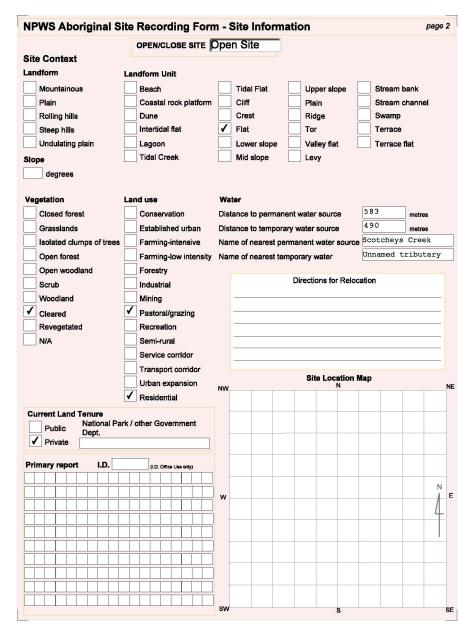


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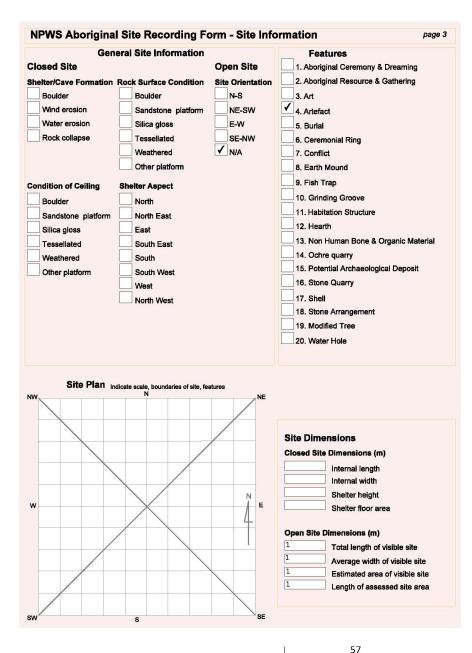








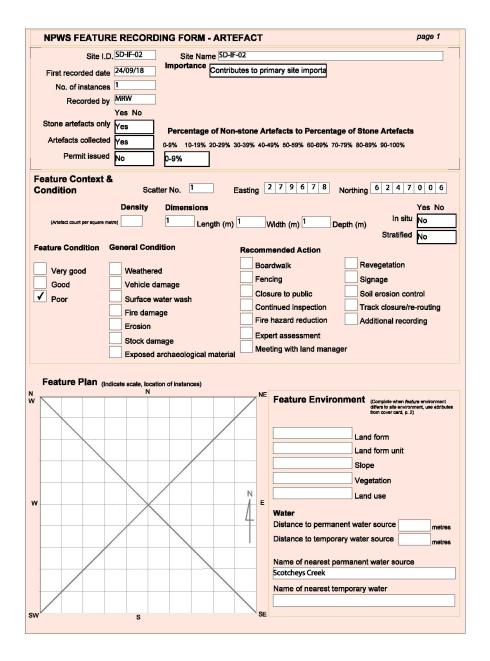




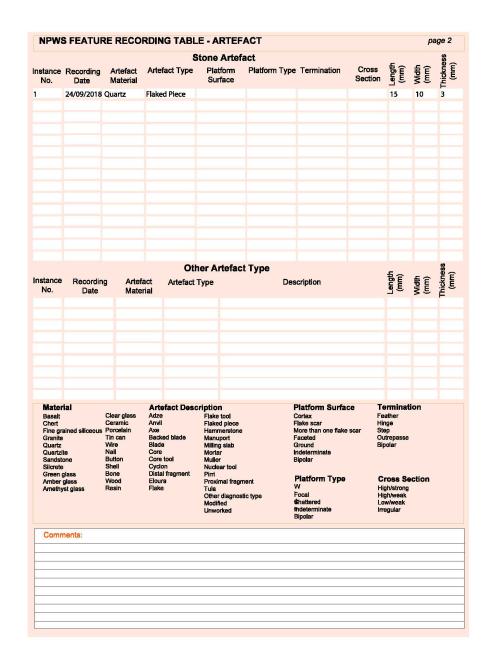


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