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SSD-36138263-Mod-2

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DCA Technical Advisory advice – State Significant Development - Warehouse layout amendment (Augusta Street, Blacktown NSW)

1. Project details

Project name	Augusta Street Warehouse MOD-2 - Warehouse layout amendment
DPHI/Major Projects reference:	SSD-36138263-Mod-2
Proponent	ESR Australia & New Zealand
Current stage of assessment	Post-determination (modification)
Description of development:	Built form modifications to Warehouses 1–4 only (no changes to Warehouse 5) and comprise minor changes to internal warehouse and office configurations, updates to the warehouse and office façade designs, awnings, external lighting, and the construction of a skywalk access between Warehouses 3 and 4. Tree removal, and earth works within the road reserve of the Great Western Highway and along the northern portion of the site within the site boundary
Primary address	Augusta Street, Blacktown
Land description (Lot/DP)	Lots 11, 12 and 14 Deposited Plan 1321460 Lot 164 Deposited Plan 8716 Lots 22-23 Deposited Plan 1321597 Great Western Highway Road Reserve (immediately north of the development site)
Local government area (LGA)	Blacktown Council

2. Assessment section

2.1 DCA Environment, Biodiversity & Heritage Advisory

Heritage	
Advice summary	Modification application has no impacts to heritage values. No further comments are required.
Detailed advice and recommendations	None
Documents reviewed	• Modification Application: Augusta Street Warehouse and Distribution Centre Mod 2. Dated July 2026.
Additional information	None

Biodiversity	
Advice summary	Access to the Augusta Estate is via the Great Western Highway (GWH). It is understood that TfNSW has specified the requirements for the proposed slip lane and shared path. While there appears to be limited scope to modify their location, further information is required to address the requirements of the Biodiversity Assessment Method (BAM) 2020, specifically: • impacts to native vegetation • proposed mitigation measures
Detailed advice and recommendations	**1. Native vegetation impacts** The ground disturbance area shown in Figure 7a appears to include a line of trees parallel to Flushcombe Road. Clarify whether these trees will be impacted by the works and, if so, whether the vegetation meets the definition of native vegetation and/or aligns with Cumberland Plain Woodland Critically Endangered Ecological Community (CEEC). Any native vegetation impacts should be incorporated into the BAM assessment, including the vegetation mapping and credit calculations as relevant.

	2. Mitigation measures The BDAR proposes expansion of the conservation areas fronting the GWH. This is to compensate for impacts to existing conservation areas that provide habitat for the Swift Parrot. However, the proposed revised conservation area footprint is not mapped and it is unclear how or where this measure will be implemented. Provide mapping and details of the proposed conservation area expansion, including its location, extent and proposed implementation. This should also and demonstrate how the measure will contribute to mitigation of impacts to Swift Parrot habitat.
Documents reviewed	• Biodiversity Development Assessment Report for the additional clearing associated with the Great Western Highway Upgrade for: Augusta Estate: SSD 36138263 MOD 2. • Modification Application: Augusta Street Warehouse and Distribution Centre Mod 2. Dated July 2026.
Additional information	None