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Dear Mr Anderson,

ARMSTRONG CREEK HORSESHOE BEND PRECINCT BIODIVERSITY BACKGROUND REPORT.

Biodiversity officers from the Department of Sustainability and Environment's (the department) Geelong office have reviewed the reports titled "Flora and Fauna Assessment and Net Gain Analysis Horseshoe Bend Precinct: Armstrong Creek Urban Growth Area, Victoria" (the report) dated February 2012.

The department is satisfied that the report accurately captures the biodiversity values of the precinct and will provide a sound basis for the preparation of the Precinct Structure and Native Vegetation Precinct Plans for the Horseshoe Bend Precinct of the Armstrong Creek Urban Growth Area.

I am able to endorse this report and encourage your Urban Growth Team to continue to work with the department's staff to develop the Precinct Structure and Native Vegetation Precinct Plans for the Armstrong Creek Horseshoe Bend Precinct.

If you have any queries regarding the department's role in Precinct Planning please contact Nathan MacDonald, Senior Biodiversity Officer at the department's Geelong Office on 5226 3897.

Yours sincerely

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