



## STATEMENT FROM THE COMMISSION

### Public Hearing for the Vickery Extension Project (SSD 7480)

The Independent Planning Commission has now published its guidelines for a public hearing to be held in multiple stages (multi-stage public hearing) which will apply to the Vickery Extension Project.

The Minister for Planning has requested the Commission to hold a multi-stage public hearing into this project. The initial stage will take place in Gunnedah on Tuesday 18 December 2018. Applications to speak close at 5pm AEDT, Thursday 13 December 2018.

The Commission would also encourage any interested individual and/or group to make written submissions on the project before 5pm AEDT on Friday 11 January 2019.

The Department's Preliminary Issues Report has not been sent to the Commission at this stage. That report will be published on the Commission's website as soon as it's received.

When the Commission, at the request of the Minister, holds a public hearing (including a multi-stage public hearing) in relation to an SSD application for which it is the consent authority, merit appeal rights in respect of any future decision on that application are extinguished.

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