

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

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Mr Bill Parker Chief Executive Officer Shire of Denmark PO Box 183 DENMARK, WA 6333

Dear Mr Parker

Re: Denmark Road System Upgrade – East River Road Bridge Project

I refer to the Shire of Denmark's resolution not to proceed with the Denmark Road System Upgrade – East River Road Bridge Project (Project) which received \$4,291,000 in funding from Royalties for Regions. I also note the Shire's preference for funds to be re-purposed to deliver upgrades to infrastructure at Greens Pool.

I am pleased to advise that the State Government, through the 2019-20 Bilateral Budget has allocated \$2.5 million in funding to the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) to deliver infrastructure works in the William Bay National Park.

Given this re-allocation, it is requested that the Shire proceed to acquit the Project and return the remaining funds (plus accrued interest) to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development. It is understood that \$4,129,029 in Project funding and \$148,868.20 in accrued interest is to be returned to the State.

A representative from the Royalties for Regions Acquittals team will soon be in touch to facilitate the Project acquittal and return of funds.

Should you have any further inquiries, please contact Stefan Chappell, Project Officer, on (08) 6552 2092 or by email at <u>Stefan.Chappell@dpird.wa.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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