

Environmental Protection Authority

Public record pursuant to s39(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Proposal Title: Brockman Syncline Proposal

Proposal Location: 60 kilometres west-north-west of Tom Price, Shire of Ashburton

Case Number: CMS17657

Date referral received: 23/07/2019

Date more information received: N/A

Referrer: Hamersley Iron Pty Limited

Proponent: Hamersley Iron Pty Limited

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of 9,977 ha of native vegetation; Subterranean Fauna from mine dewatering and groundwater abstraction; Terrestrial Fauna from clearing of habitat; Inland Waters from increased dewatering resulting in groundwater drawdown and the reinjection of surplus water; Air Quality from the increased emissions and dust and Social Surroundings from the impacts on heritage values and site of cultural significance from mining activities and clearing of native vegetation and the visual amenity from the mine pits and waste landforms.

Preliminary key environmental factors:

Flora and Vegetation, Subterranean Fauna, Terrestrial Fauna, Inland Waters, Air Quality and Social Surroundings.

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:

Assess: a) Referral information
b) Environmental review – no public review
c) Public environmental review

Total submissions:

5

Decision: s. 39A – Assess

Level of assessment:

Environmental Review – Public Environmental Review, 8 weeks (s.40(2)((b))

Other details

Proponent prepared Environmental Scoping Document

Explanation of decision:

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Several preliminary key environmental factors are complex, and the proposal involves several elements. Detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of the proposal's direct and indirect impacts, and how the environmental issues could be managed.

Appeals: Decision not appealable.

Robert Harvey
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority Date: 28

Date: 28 August 2019