

<b>Key Environmental Factor</b>	<b>Flora and Vegetation</b>
EPA Objective	To maintain representation, diversity, viability and ecological function at the species, population and community level.
BHP Billiton Iron Ore Objective	To restore, conserve and promote terrestrial biodiversity, to ensure healthy and enduring landscapes.
Assessment (in summary)	The Proposal contains no Threatened Flora, Priority Flora, TECs or PECs and all taxa have been recorded in adjacent tenements.  The vegetation within the Development Envelope has been rated as Good to Excellent condition.
Management Objective	The proponent shall ensure that implementation of the Proposal maintains the representation, diversity, viability and ecological function of conservation significant flora and vegetation.
Recommended Condition	The proponent shall ensure that implementation of the Proposal maintains the representation, diversity, viability and ecological function at the species, population and community level.  <b>Regional Land and Biodiversity Management Plan – Flora and Vegetation</b>  The Proponent shall implement a Regional Land and Biodiversity Management Plan – Flora and Vegetation.  1. The Regional Land and Biodiversity Management Plan required by condition X shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) when implemented, manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the requirements of condition X-1; and</li> <li>(2) be to the requirements of the CEO.</li> </ul> 2. Revisions to the standard commitments of the Regional Land and Biodiversity Management Plan – Flora and Vegetation may be endorsed by the CEO on the advice of the Department of Parks and Wildlife.  3. The proponent shall implement revisions of the standard commitments of the Regional Land and Biodiversity Management Plan required by condition X.

<b>Key Environmental Factor</b>	<b>Offsets</b>
EPA Objective	To counterbalance any significant residual environmental impacts or uncertainty through the application of offsets.
Assessment (in summary)	The Proposal will directly impact up to 350 ha of ‘Good-to-Excellent’ vegetation within the Pilbara’s Fortescue IBRA sub-regions.
Management Objective	<b>Offsets</b>  X-1 In view of the significant residual impacts and risks as a result of implementation of the proposal, the proponent shall contribute funds for the clearing of native vegetation, in accordance with the <i>Offsets Guideline</i> (Western Australian Government, 2014) or its updates. This

	<p>funding shall be provided to a government-established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.</p> <p>X-2 The proponent's contribution to the strategic regional conservation initiative shall be paid biennially, the first payment due in the second year following the commencement of ground disturbance. The amount of funding will be made in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition X-3:</p> <p>X-3 The proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO.</p>
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Key Environmental Factor	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning
EPA Objective	To ensure that premises are closed, decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner, consistent with agreed outcomes and land uses, and without unacceptable liability to the State.
BHP Billiton Iron Ore Objective	Create a safe, stable, non-polluting and sustainable landscape that is consistent with key stakeholder agreed social and environmental values and aligned with creating optimal business value.
Assessment summary) (in	<p>BHP Billiton Iron Ore is obliged under its the tenure requirements of the Mining Lease, issued under the <i>Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964</i> ensure that premises are closed, decommissioned and rehabilitated in an manner consistent with current government standards and without unacceptable liability to the State.</p> <p>To support this requirement, BHP Billiton Iron Ore is currently preparing a hub-based Mine Closure Plan for the Eastern Ridge Mine Hub, which will consolidate and supersede existing plans and also incorporate the deposit under this Proposal.</p>
Measurable outcome	<p>The proponent shall ensure that premises associated with the Proposal are closed, decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner and without unacceptable liability to the State.</p> <p><b>Implement a Mine Closure Plan</b></p> <p>The proponent shall develop and implement a Mine Closure Plan.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Mine Closure Plan required by condition X shall: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) when implemented, manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the requirements of condition X-1;</li> <li>(2) be prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 (Department of Mines and Petroleum and Environmental Protection Authority) or its revisions; and</li> <li>(3) be to the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department of Mines and Petroleum.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The proponent shall submit the Mine Closure Plan to the CEO unless otherwise agreed by the CEO.</li> <li>3. Revisions to the Mine Closure Plan may be approved by the CEO on the advice of the Department of Mines.</li> </ol>

	4. The proponent shall implement revisions of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition X.
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