

# **Environmental Protection Authority**

## Public record pursuant to s39B of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Proposal Title: Huon Aquaculture Yellowtail Kingfish Aquaculture Development

Proposal Location: Houtman Abrolhos islands, offshore Geraldton

Case Number: CMS 17843

Date Received: 12-06-2020 Date More Information Received: 03-08-2020

**Referrer:** Huon Aquaculture Company Pty Ltd **Proponent:** Huon Aquaculture Company

Pty Ltd

## Potential significant effects:

Impacts to marine environmental quality through fish feed/faeces impacting sediment quality and water quality and changes to hydrodynamics; potential direct and indirect disturbance of benthic habitat and impacts to marine fauna (including seabirds) from physical barriers, entanglement, biosecurity risk, noise, lighting, vessel strike.

### Preliminary key environmental factors:

Benthic Communities and Habitat, Marine Environmental Quality, Marine Fauna

### Public comments on referral information:

Do not assess:

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

Total Submissions: 1

**Decision:** s. 39B – Declared a derived proposal

#### **Explanation of decision:**

The EPA considers that the proposal is consistent with the provisions s.39B(3) and s.39B(4). For further details see the Statement of Reasons, published on the EPA website, on 28 September 2020.

**Appeals:** Decision not appealable.

Dr Tom Hatton CHAIRMAN

**Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority Date:** 30-09-2020