


**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

**Weekly record of determinations for**

**S38 Referrals, S16 and/or S46 Advice**

<b>Title:</b>	Blue Hills Mungada East Expansion Shire of Perenjori			<b>Determination:</b>	Assess: Assessment on Proponent Information
<b>Referral ID:</b>	13-304357	<b>Date Received:</b>	02/09/2013	<b>Date Final Info:</b>	16/10/2014
<b>Referror:</b>	Sinosteel Midwest Corporation			<b>Assessment No:</b>	2028
<b>Proponent:</b>	Sinosteel Midwest Corporation			<b>Procedure:</b>	Category B: Environmentally unacceptable
<b>Contact:</b>	Mr Wayne Ennor				
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<b>LGA:</b>					
<b>Preliminary Environmental Factors:</b>	Preliminary Key Environmental Factors: 1. Landforms; 2. Flora and Vegetation, and Terrestrial Fauna; 3. Rehabilitation and Closure. The preliminary key environmental factors of 2. Flora and Vegetation, and Terrestrial Fauna, and 3. Rehabilitation and Closure could potentially be addressed through additional studies and investigations supporting a level of assessment of PER, however the EPA's objective for Landforms cannot be met.				
	Key Environmental Factor: 1. Landforms.				
<b>Potential Significant Impacts:</b>	Key Environmental Factor: Landforms - serious and irreversible impacts to the integrity of the Mungada Ridge and the associated environmental values it supports.				
<b>Public comments on referral information:</b>	Do not assess				0
	Assess – Assessment on Proponent Information (API) category A (no public review)				0
	Assess - Assessment on Proponent Information (API) category B (environmentally unacceptable)				1
	Assess – Public Environmental Review (PER)				0
	TOTAL COMMENTS				1
<b>Explanation of Decision:</b>	The Mungada Ridge is the last large, substantively intact landform remaining in the Blue Hills area and has been identified as possessing the greatest landscape and biodiversity values in this area. Proposal impacts cannot be avoided, and landforms cannot be restored to have the same aggregation of environmental values as pre-mined areas. The proposal would result in serious and irreversible impact to the integrity of Mungada Ridge.				
<b>Officer:</b>	Nyomi Bowers				
				<b>Chairman's initials:</b>	
				<b>Date Signed:</b>	5-11-14