

Public record pursuant to s. 39 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Proposal title: Bauxite mining on the Darling Range in the southwest of WA for the years 2023 to 2027

Proposal location: Approximately 100 km southeast of Perth in the Peel region of Western Australia

EO number: APP-0000268

Date referral received: 28-02-2023

Date more information received: 13-04-2023,
29-05-2023 & 30-10-2023

Referrer: Western Australian Forest Alliance Inc **Proponent:** Alcoa of Australia Limited

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: flora and vegetation and terrestrial fauna from the clearing of native vegetation; terrestrial environmental quality and inland waters from clearing, modification of landforms and water regimes and potential for pollution; climate from greenhouse gas emissions; and social surroundings from noise, dust and visual impacts.

Preliminary key environmental factors: flora and vegetation, terrestrial fauna, terrestrial environmental quality, inland waters, greenhouse gas emissions, social surroundings

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:	404
Assess: a) Referral information	18
b) Environmental review - no public review	42
c) Public environmental review	2106
<i>Total submissions:</i>	2570

Decision: s. 38G(1) – Assess

Level of assessment:

Public Environmental Review, as required under s.40(2)(b) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Other details

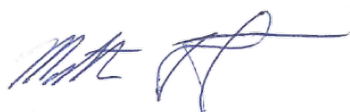
EPA-prepared Environmental Scoping Document

Public review period for Environmental Review Document (10 weeks)

Explanation of decision:

Several preliminary key environmental factors are complex. Detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of the proposal's direct and indirect impacts, and whether the EPA environmental factor objectives can be met.

Appeals: Decision is not appealable.



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CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 14 December 2023