

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

Proposal Title: West Bay Barge Landing Maintenance Dredging

Proposal Location: Shire of Wyndham – East Kimberley

Case Number: CMS15147

Date referral received: 15-06-2020 **Date more information received:** 18-08-2020

Referrer: Mungalalu Truscott Airbase Pty Ltd **Proponent:** Mungalalu Truscott Airbase Pty Ltd

Potential significant effects:

There are potential changes to water quality from dredging activities and disposal of dredged material onshore. Reduced water quality may have potential impacts on adjacent mangroves and nearby subtidal reefs.

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:	0
Assess: a) Referral information	0
b) Environmental review - no public review	0
c) Public environmental review	0
<i>Total submissions:</i>	0

Decision: s. 39A – Not Assess

Referral Examined, preliminary investigations and inquiries conducted. Proposal not to be assessed under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

Explanation of decision:

The EPA considers that the likely environmental effects of the proposal are not so significant as to warrant formal assessment because the extent and consequence of the predicted impacts as a result of the proposal are predicted to be minimal.

The surrounding environment has a large tidal range, heavy annual rainfall, high amounts of natural flooding and turbidity from adjacent creeks, causing a high natural sediment discharge rate and frequent movement of nearshore sand bars (erosion/accretion). The extent of potential impacts from dredge spoil placement is small.

The EPA is of the view that the potential impacts of the proposal can be adequately managed through implementation of the proposal in accordance with the referral documentation and the proponent's management and mitigation measures as set out in the proposal specific Dredging and Dredge Material Disposal Management Plan.

Appeals: This decision is appealable. Appeals close 14-09-2020. Appeals are administered by the Office of the Appeals Convenor.



Dr Tom Hatton

CHAIRMAN

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 26 August 2020