

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

Proposal Title: Proposed Browse to NWS Development

Proposal Location: Scott Reef, approximately 425 kilometres north of Broome.

Case Number: CMS 17489

Date referral received: 19-10-2018

Date more information received: 10-01-2019

Referrer: Woodside Energy Limited

Proponent: Woodside Energy Limited (on behalf of the Browse Joint Venturers)

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: Benthic Communities and Habitats from the disturbance of up to 20 hectares of the seabed, Marine Environmental Quality from the discharges of treated and untreated wastes to the marine environment, Marine Fauna from collisions with vessels and emissions of noise and light, Air Quality from the emissions of gases during well drilling and construction.

Preliminary key environmental factors: Benthic Communities and Habitat, Marine Environmental Quality, Marine Fauna, Air Quality

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	2
<i>Total submissions:</i>	2

Decision: s. 39A – Assess

Level of assessment:

Environmental Review – Public Environmental Review

Other details

Proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document

Public review period for Environmental Review Document (6 weeks)

Explanation of decision:

Several preliminary key environmental factors are complex given the high environmental values of Scott Reef. Detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of the proposal's direct and indirect impacts, and how the environmental issues could be managed.

Appeals: Decision not appealable.



Dr Tom Hatton

CHAIRMAN

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 22 Jan 2019