

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

Proposal Title: Pilbara Regional Waste Management Facility

Proposal Location: 36 km South of Onslow, Western Australia

Case Number: CMS 17499

Date referral received: 01/11/2018

Date more information received: 15/01/2018

Referrer: Shire of Ashburton

Proponent: Shire of Ashburton

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impact on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of 70 ha, Landforms from the removal of material required for capping, Terrestrial Environmental Quality from the seepage of leachate from the landfill, Terrestrial Fauna from the clearing of habitat and from collision, Inland Waters from contamination of surface water, Human Health from landfill gases from the decomposition of organic material and asbestos airborne fibres.

Preliminary key environmental factors:

Flora and Vegetation, Terrestrial Environmental Quality, Terrestrial Fauna, and Inland Waters.

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:	0
Assess: a) Referral information	1
b) Environmental review - no public review	0
c) Public environmental review	2
<i>Total submissions:</i>	3

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*.

Explanation of decision:

The EPA considers that the likely environmental effects of the proposal are not so significant as to warrant formal assessment. The predicted extent and consequences of the impacts on flora and vegetation, fauna, and social surroundings, are minor and consultation with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions indicated that it has consented to the proposal being sited at this location. The EPA is of the view that the proposal is of limited scale at a site where there are limited environmental values at risk, including biodiversity values and social surroundings. The EPA considers that the potential impacts of the proposal can be adequately managed through the implementation of the proposal in accordance with the referral documentation and the proponent's mitigation and management measures. In addition, the proposal will require a clearing permit and licensing under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

Appeals: This decision is appealable. Appeals close 18-02-2019. Appeals are administered by the Office of the Appeals Convenor.



Dr Tom Hatton

CHAIRMAN

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 1 Feb 2019