



Environmental Protection Authority

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

Proposal Title: Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub
Proposal Location: Approximately 6 kilometres south of the town of Paraburdoo in the Pilbara region of Western Australia
Case Number: CMS17501
Date referral received: 05-11-2018 Date more information received: N/A
Referrer: Hamersley Iron Pty Limited Proponent: Hamersley Iron Pty Limited

Potential significant effects:

Clearing of 4,300 hectares (ha) of native vegetation (in addition to the 1,415 ha approved under clearing permits); impacts on stygofauna and troglofauna habitat and individuals from mine pit development and dewatering activities; impacts on terrestrial fauna including Matters of National Environmental Significance; impacts to hydrological regimes and the quality of surface water and groundwater; potential impacts to Aboriginal heritage values.

Preliminary key environmental factors:

Flora and Vegetation, Subterranean Fauna, Terrestrial Fauna, Inland Waters, Social Surroundings.

Public comment on referral information:

Table with 2 columns: Comment type and count. Rows include 'Do not assess' (0), 'Assess: a) Referral information' (0), 'b) Environmental review - no public review' (0), 'c) Public environmental review' (1), and 'Total submissions' (1).

Decision: s. 39A – Assess

Level of assessment: Public environmental review - 2 week public review period

Other details: Proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document

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 how the environmental issues could be managed.

Appeals: Decision not appealable.

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Mr Robert Harvey
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 7.12.2018