



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

Proposal Title: Myalup Wellington Dam Project Stage 1 (Above Dam Works)

Proposal Location: Shire of Collie

Case Number: CMS 17577

Date referral received: 7-3-2019

Date more information received: 01-07-19

Referrer: Collie Water

Proponent: Collie Water

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of 9.4 ha of native remnant vegetation; Terrestrial Fauna from the clearing of habitat; Inland Waters from the abstraction of water from the Collie River East Branch, impact to environmental flows, aquatic species and groundwater; Social Surroundings from disturbance of Aboriginal Heritage sites.

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:	0
Assess: a) Referral information	1
b) Environmental review - no public review	1
c) Public environmental review	2
	Total submissions: 4

Decision: s. 39A – Not Assess

Referral Examined, preliminary investigations and inquiries conducted. Proposal not to be assessed under Part IV of the EP Act – Advice given.

Explanation of decision:

The EPA considers that the likely environmental effects of the proposal are not so significant as to warrant formal assessment because of the small scale of the proposal and the existing environment is highly modified from historical land uses. The proposal includes maintaining minimum environmental flows in Collie River East Branch (past the diversion); limiting water diversion to winter and spring high-flow periods; and the relatively small amount of clearing. The EPA is of the view 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 management and mitigation measures.

The EPA notes other statutory processes relevant to this proposal include: surface water diversion in accordance with a licence under the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914; Part V Division 2 (Clearing) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986; and approval to disturb sites under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.

Appeals: This decision is appealable. Appeals close 21-10-2019. Appeals are administered by the Office of the Appeals Convenor.

Dr Tom Hatton  
CHAIRMAN

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 1 Oct 2019