



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

Proposal Title: Albany Ring Road Stage 3a

Proposal Location: City of Albany

Case Number: CMS 17746

Date referral received: 13-12-2019 Date more information received: 14-01-2020

Referrer: Main Roads WA Proponent: Main Roads WA

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of 16.2 ha of native vegetation; impacts to Terrestrial Fauna from vegetation clearing, including habitat for black cockatoo and western ringtail possum; Social Surroundings from potential disturbance to Aboriginal Heritage sites.

Public comment on referral information:

Table with 2 columns: Comment type and count. Includes 'Do not assess: 0', 'Assess: a) Referral information 1', 'b) Environmental review - no public review 3', 'c) Public environmental review 36', and 'Total submissions: 40'.

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 a large proportion of the proposal is on cleared land and the relatively small scale of the direct and indirect impacts. 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, the proponent's management and mitigation measures.

The EPA notes other statutory processes relevant to this proposal including the clearing of native vegetation in accordance with a permit under Part V Division 2 (Clearing) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, a licence to 'take or disturb' threatened fauna under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, a licence to interfere with 'bed and banks' and to 'take water' in accordance with the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914, and the potential for a permit to disturb sites under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.

Appeals: This decision is appealable. Appeals close 17-02-2020. Appeals are administered by the Office of the Appeals Convenor.

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Robert Harvey
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 28.1.2020