

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

Proposal Title: Arrowsmith North Silica Sand Project

Proposal Location: Approximately 35 km north-west of Eneabba, Shire of Irwin

Case Number: CMS 17888

Date referral received: 17-03-2021

Date more information received: 30-04-2021

Referrer: VRX Silica Limited

Proponent: VRX Silica Limited

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of up to 376.2 ha of native vegetation; Terrestrial Fauna from the clearing of habitat; Inland Waters from groundwater abstraction, alteration to surface water regimes; Social Surroundings from clearing, construction and operation noise, dust and vibration, and disturbance; Greenhouse Gas from increased emissions; Air Quality from the power station and vehicle exhaust emissions, and dust.

Preliminary key environmental factors: Flora and Vegetation, Terrestrial Fauna, Inland Waters, Social Surroundings, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, 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	3
<i>Total submissions:</i>	3

Decision: s. 39A – Assess

Level of assessment:

Public Environmental Review

Other details

Proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document.

Public review period for Environmental Review Document (4 weeks).

Explanation of decision:

Several preliminary key environmental factors require assessment as the proposal is in an area of high biodiversity. Further information and detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of the proposal's direct and indirect impacts, and how the environmental impacts could be managed.

Appeals: Decision not appealable.

Professor Mathew Tonts

CHAIR 

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

Date: 18.5.2021



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