

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

**Proposal Title:** WA Offshore Windfarms Project

**Proposal Location:** Shire of Harvey

**Case Number:** CMS 17976

**Date referral received:** 02-04-2021

**Date more information received:**

**Referrer:** Arup

**Proponent:** WA Offshore Windfarms Pty Ltd

**Potential significant effects:**

There are potential impact on: Benthic Communities and Habitat from construction, operation and decommissioning of the turbines, Marine Environmental Quality from turbidity generated during construction and decommissioning, Marine Fauna from noise and collision with infrastructure, Flora and Vegetation and Terrestrial Fauna from the clearing of habitat, Subterranean Fauna from dewatering, Inland Waters from disturbance of surface and groundwater and wetlands, and Social Surroundings from visual amenity and construction noise, dust and vibration.

**Preliminary key environmental factors:** Benthic Communities and Habitat, Marine Environmental Quality, Marine Fauna, Flora and Vegetation, Subterranean Fauna, Terrestrial Fauna, Inland Waters, Social Surroundings

**Public comment on referral information:**

Do not assess:	2
Assess: a) Referral information	1
b) Environmental review - no public review	2
c) Public environmental review	10
<i>Total submissions:</i>	15

**Decision:** s. 39A – Assess

**Level of assessment:**

Public Environmental Review

**Other details**

Proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document

Public review period for Environmental Review Document (6 weeks)

**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. It is expected that the development envelope and indicative footprint will be further refined through the assessment process.

**Appeals:** Decision not appealable.



**Professor Mathew Tonts**

CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

**Date: 25/5/2021**