

**Public record pursuant to s. 39 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986***

**Proposal title:** Die Hardy Project

**Proposal location:** Approximately 140 kilometres north of the town of Southern Cross within the Shire of Yilgarn, Western Australia.

**CMS number:** CMS 18128

**Date referral received:** 16-12-2021      **Date more information received:** 24-05-2022

**Referrer:** Marda Operations Pty Ltd (wholly owned subsidiary of Ramelius Resources Ltd)

**Proponent:** Marda Operations Pty Ltd (wholly owned subsidiary of Ramelius Resources Ltd)

**Potential significant effects:**

There are potential impacts on: Flora and Vegetation from the clearing of 90 hectares of native vegetation; Terrestrial Fauna from the clearing of habitat; Inland Waters from mining below the water table; and Social Surroundings from construction and operation noise, dust and vibration.

**Public comment on referral information:**

Do not assess:	0
Assess: a) Referral information	0
b) Environmental review - no public review	1
c) Public environmental review	9
<i>Total submissions:</i>	10

**Decision:** s. 38G(1) – Not Assess

Referral Examined, preliminary investigations and inquiries conducted. Proposal not to be assessed under Part IV of the EP Act – Dealt with Under Part V Division 2 of the EP Act (Clearing).

**Explanation of decision:**

The EPA considers that the likely environmental effects of the proposal are not so significant as to warrant formal assessment. 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 considers that the main potential impacts of the proposal are to Flora and Vegetation and Terrestrial Fauna which can be adequately managed through Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* – Division 2 – Clearing of Native Vegetation.

**Appeals:** Decision not appealable.



**Prof. Matthew Tonts**

CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

**Date:** 24 June 2022