

Environmental Protection Authority

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

Proposal title: Lockyer Conventional Gas Project

Proposal location: The Mid-West Region of Western Australia, approximately 350 km

north of Perth, 25 km east of Dongara and 15 km west on Mingenew.

CMS number: APP-0025169

Date referral received: 04-03-2024 Date more information received: 10-04-2024

12-04-2024

Referrer: Energy Resources Ltd. **Proponent:** Energy Resources Ltd.

Potential significant effects:

There are potential impacts on flora and vegetation; terrestrial fauna; greenhouse gas emissions

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:

Assess: a) Referral information
b) Environmental review - no public review
c) Public environmental review

Total submissions:
3

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 – No 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 due to the proponent's detailed designs and strategies to minimise and mitigate impacts on environmental factors. The proposal is mostly located within a previously disturbed area and the native vegetation is in a degraded condition, and scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions are below the 100,000 CO2-e per annum threshold. 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 the potential impacts of the proposal can be mitigated by the following statutory decision-making process:

- Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Part V of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 – Division 3 – Prescribed Premises, Works Approval and Licence.
- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety Petroleum Pipelines Act 1969, Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967 – Environment Plan, Oil Spill Contingency Plan, Field Management Plan, Well Management Plan, Pipeline Licence, Production Licence.
- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007 – Dangerous Goods Storage and Handling Licence.

Appeals: This decision is appealable. Appeals close 20-05-2024. Appeals are administered by the Office of the Appeals Convenor.

Prof. Matthew Tonts

CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority Date: 22 April 2024