

Environmental Protection Authority

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

Proposal title: Outer Harbour Port Development, Kwinana

Proposal location: Cockburn Sound, Kwinana Industrial Area, Gage Roads

EO number: APP-0025159 **Date referral received:** 07-03-2024

Referrer: Director General of the **Proponent:** Director General of the Department of Transport on behalf of the

State of Western Australia State of Western Australia

Potential significant effects: There are potential impacts on: benthic communities and habitats and coastal processes from permanent infrastructure; marine environmental quality from dredging and discharges; marine fauna from noise and vessel movement; flora and vegetation from clearing; terrestrial fauna from clearing of habitat for conservation significant species; inland waters from changes to hydrological regimes and water quality; terrestrial environmental quality through the disturbance of contaminated soils; and social surroundings from impacts to cultural heritage, and to aesthetic and recreational values.

Preliminary key environmental factors: benthic communities and habitat, coastal processes, marine environmental quality, marine fauna, flora and vegetation, terrestrial environmental quality, terrestrial fauna, inland waters, social surroundings

Public comment on referral information:

Do not assess:

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

Total submissions: 57

Decision: s. 38G(1) – Assess

Level of assessment: Public Environmental Review, as required under s.40(2)(b) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

Other details

Proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document

Public review period for proponent-prepared Environmental Scoping Document (2 weeks)
Public review period for Environmental Review Document (8 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 whether the EPA environmental factor objectives can be met.

Appeals: Decision is not appealable.

Prof. Matthew Tonts

CHAIR

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority Date: 27 March 2024