

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

**Proposal title:** Yinnetharra Lithium Project

**Proposal location:** Located within the Gascoyne Region, approximately 125 km northwest of Gascoyne Junction and 250 km northeast of Carnarvon, Western Australia.

**APP number:** APP-0035099

**Date referral received:** 20/04/2026

**Date more information received:** N/A

**Referrer and proponent:** Electrostate Malinda Pty Ltd

**Potential significant effects:**

There are potential impacts on: flora and vegetation from the proposed clearing of approximately 1,612 ha of native vegetation, including priority species, and changes in hydrological regimes; terrestrial and subterranean fauna from loss of habitat and modification of habitat via altered hydrological regimes; terrestrial environmental quality from modifications to landforms, potential contamination from tailings and waste rock landforms, and potential exposure of acid sulfate soils; inland waters from modifications to landforms and hydrological regimes, impacting sheet flow dependent and groundwater dependent vegetation and aquatic ecosystems, potential surface water runoff and seepage discharge into waterways; greenhouse gas emissions; social surroundings from direct and indirect impacts to Aboriginal heritage sites and potential health impacts from airborne tailings materials.

**Preliminary key environmental factors:** flora and vegetation, terrestrial fauna, subterranean fauna, terrestrial environmental quality, inland waters, greenhouse gas emissions and social surroundings.

**Public comment on referral information:**

Does the proposal need further assessment due to its potential significant impacts?

Yes 1 No 0

If the proposal requires further assessment, should the EPA include further opportunities for public review?

Yes 1 No 0

*Total submissions:*

2

**Decision:** s. 38G(1) Assess

**Level of assessment:**

Public Environmental Review (s. 40(2)(b) with 3 weeks public review s. 40(4) and s40(5)) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*)

**Other details:**

- (1) Additional information required by s. 40(2)(a)
- (2) Public review period for the proponent-prepared Environmental Review Document (3 weeks)

**Explanation of decision:**

Detailed assessment is required to determine the extent of the proposal's direct and indirect impacts, with regard to cumulative impacts, and to determine whether the EPA environmental factor objectives can be met.

**Appeals:** There are no rights of appeal under the EP Act in respect of this decision.

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**Darren Walsh**

Chair

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

**Date: 18 May 2026**