



WESTERN AUSTRALIA
MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

**STATEMENT THAT A PROPOSAL MAY BE IMPLEMENTED
(PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986)**

**RELOCATION OF CROCODILE FARM TO CORNER OF CRAB CREEK & BROOME
ROADS, BROOME (468)**

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This proposal may be implemented subject to the following conditions:

1 Proponent Commitments

The proponent has made a number of environmental management commitments in order to protect the environment.

- 1-1 In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments (which are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement) made and included in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 619.

2 Detailed Implementation

Changes to the proposal which are not substantial may be carried out with the approval of the Minister for the Environment.

- 2-1 Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal. Where, in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way that the Minister for the Environment determines on the advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not substantial, those changes may be effected.

3 Protection of Dampier Creek Mangroves and Water Quality

- 3-1 Prior to construction of the levee bank, the proponent shall prepare a stormwater drainage management plan which will achieve separation of wastewater and excess stormwater flows and which maintains adequate freshwater flows to nearby mangroves.
- 3-2 The proponent shall prepare the plan required by condition 3-1 in consultation with the Environmental Protection Authority and the Shire of Broome. This plan shall include, but not be limited to consideration of the following:
- 1 the likely changes to surface freshwater flows resulting from the proposal, and
 - 2 the effects of these changes on the mangroves and the management of water quality.
- 3-3 The proponent shall implement the stormwater drainage management plan required by conditions 3-1 and 3-2.

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4 Monitoring and Management of Indirect Effects on Mangroves

- 4-1 The proponent shall monitor the health of and changes to nearby mangroves and the success of the mangrove plantings along the levees.
- 4-2 The proponent shall prepare reports annually on the monitoring required by condition 4-1
- 4-3 The proponent shall submit the reports required by condition 4-2 until the Environmental Protection Authority is satisfied that further changes to mangroves resulting from the proposal are unlikely to occur.

5 Rehabilitation of Mangroves

- 5-1 If, in the opinion of the Environmental Protection Authority, the monitoring required by condition 4-1 shows that an area or areas of existing mangrove have been adversely affected by this proposal, the proponent shall prepare a plan for the stabilisation and rehabilitation of affected mangrove areas.
- 5-2 The proponent shall implement the plan required by condition 5-1.

6 Decommissioning

The satisfactory decommissioning of the project, removal of the plant and installations and rehabilitation of the site and its environs is the responsibility of the proponent.

- 6-1 At least six months prior to decommissioning, the proponent shall prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan.
- 6-2 The proponent shall implement the plan required by condition 6-1.

7 Proponent

The ministerial conditions legally apply to the nominated proponent.

- 7-1 No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of this statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.

8 Time Limit on Approval

The environmental approval of the proposal is limited.

- 8-1 If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of this statement, then the approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has been substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five years referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of a request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act. (On expiration of the five year period, further consideration of the proposal can only occur following a new referral to the Environmental Protection Authority.)

Procedure

1. The proponent should apply for a Works Approval and Licence for this project under the provisions of Part V of the Environmental Protection Act.
2. The conditions contained in this statement are to be complied with to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority except where they are required to be carried out to the satisfaction of either the Minister for the Environment or any other government agency.
3. Should the Environmental Protection Authority, other government agency and/or proponent be unable to resolve any dispute that occurs concerning these conditions and commitments, that dispute will be determined by the Minister for the Environment.

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PROPONENT'S CONSOLIDATED COMMITMENTS

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The proponent is committed to ensuring that the Crab Creek Road Crocodile Farm and Tourist Facility has minimum environmental impact and to ensuring that it will be aesthetically pleasing.

Consequently the proponent:

- 1 Makes the commitment, if the crocodile and tourist venture fails, to rehabilitate the site to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority and the Shire of Broome.
- 2 Makes the commitment that, to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority, there will be no disturbance to the mangroves of Dampier Creek and Roebuck Bay.
- 3 Makes the commitment that the monitoring and replanting of the 30 metre road reserve with endemic species will be carried out to the satisfaction of the Department of Conservation and Land Management.
- 4 Makes the commitment to establish, with minimum disturbance to existing habitat, a crocodile farm and tourist facility that will be aesthetically pleasing and environmentally acceptable, to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority and the Shire of Broome.
- 5 Makes the commitment that sound management practices will ensure no odour to the satisfaction of the Shire of Broome Health Inspector and the Environmental Protection Authority.
- 6 Makes the commitment to complete the work in a period of five years and to minimise disturbance to the adjoining properties and the community to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority.
- 7 Makes the commitment to construct, stabilise and landscape the levee to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority and the Broome Shire Engineer.
- 8 Makes the commitment to construct the security fences and to daily monitor all fences and ensure that repairs associated with the fencing are completed promptly to the satisfaction of the Department of Conservation and Land Management.
- 9 Makes the commitment that at any time (eg during a period of cyclonic rain) excess water is released only on the high ebbing tide and only then after an analysis of the water has been completed by the Water Authority of Western Australia. Records of the water analysis and amount to water released will be sent annually to the Environmental Protection Authority and the Department of Conservation and Land Management.
- 10 The proponent makes the commitment to establish large ponds and especially the settling pond which will be constructed in such a way that the shoreline of the ponds is able to be utilised by the wading birds of the area as roosting sites. The ponds will be stocked with species representative of the fauna currently found in the salt marsh ponds of the area, enabling them to be used as feeding areas. Islands will be constructed in the ponds for safe refuge for the birds. Plant species indigenous to the area will be planted around the levee banks to provide suitable habitat for bush birds that otherwise may be displaced by the development.