

INVITATION

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) invites people to make a submission on this proposal.

Humfrey Land Developments proposes **to develop a nature-based tourism development at Long Island (Wallabi Group), Houtman Abrolhos Islands**. In accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, a **PER** has been prepared which describes this proposal and its likely effects on the environment. The **PER** is available for a public review period of six weeks from **31 July 2006** closing on **11 September 2006**.

Comments from government agencies and from the public will assist the EPA to prepare an assessment report in which it will make recommendations to government. If you are able to, the EPA would welcome electronic submissions in particular, emailed to the project assessment officer or via the EPA's Website (see address below).

Where to get copies of this document

Printed copies of this document may be obtained from:

Office Manager

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4 Cook Street,

West Perth 6005

Telephone: (08) 9226 3166

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The cost of the PER is \$10.00 for a hard copy or \$5.00 for a CD-Rom version.

Copies may also be obtained from the Humfrey Land Developments website at www.hld.com.au.

Why write a submission?

A submission is a way to provide information, express your opinion and put forward your suggested course of action - including any alternative approach. It is useful if you indicate any suggestions you have to improve the proposal.

All submissions received by the EPA will be acknowledged. Submissions will be treated as public documents unless provided and received in confidence subject to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, and may be quoted in full or in part in each report.

Why not join a group?

If you prefer not to write your own comments, it may be worthwhile joining with a group or other groups interested in making a submission on similar issues. Joint submissions may help to reduce the workload for an individual or group, as well as increase the pool of ideas and information. If you form a small group (up to 10 people) please indicate all the names of the participants. If your group is larger, please indicate how many people your submission represents.

Developing a submission

You may agree or disagree with, or comment on, the general issues discussed in the **PER** or the specific proposals. It helps if you give reasons for your conclusions, supported by relevant data. You may make an important contribution by suggesting ways to make the proposal environmentally more acceptable.

When making comments on specific proposals in the **PER**:

- clearly state your point of view;
- indicate the source of your information or argument if this is applicable;
- suggest recommendations, safeguards or alternatives.

Points to keep in mind.

By keeping the following points in mind, you will make it easier for your submission to be analysed:

- attempt to list points so that issues raised are clear. A summary of your submission is helpful;
- refer each point to the appropriate section, chapter or recommendation in the **PER**;
- if you discuss different sections of the **PER**, keep them distinct and separate, so there is no confusion as to which section you are considering;
- attach any factual information you may wish to provide and give details of the source. Make sure your information is accurate.

Remember to include:

- your name;
- address;
- date; and
- whether you want your submission to be confidential.

The closing date for submissions is: 11 September 2006

The EPA prefers submissions to be sent in electronically. You can either e-mail the submission to the project officer at the following address:

eia@dec.wa.gov.au

OR

use the submission form on the EPA's website:

www.epa.gov.au/submissions.asp and click on the EIA Assessment Submission option

OR

if you do not have access to e-mail then please post your submission to:

The Chairman
Environmental Protection Authority
PO Box K822
PERTH WA 6842