

Appendix B – Other matters required by Schedule 4 of the EPBC Regulations

Matters to be addressed by draft public environment report and environmental impact statement as set out in Schedule 4 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2000* are detailed in Table 1.

Table 1: Matters to be addressed by draft PER and EIS

| Regulation reference | Description | Report section/information |
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| 1 General information | 1.01 The background of the action including: | |
| | (a) the title of the action. | Table 2-1. |
| | (b) the full name and postal address of the designated proponent. | Table 1-1. |
| | (c) a clear outline of the objective of the action. | Section 1. |
| | (d) the location of the action. | Figure 1-1. |
| | (e) the background to the development of the action. | Sections 2.1 and 2.2. |
| | (f) how the action relates to any other actions (of which the proponent should reasonably be aware) that have been, or are being, taken or that have been approved in the region affected by the action. | Section 1.4. |
| | (g) the current status of the action. | Sections 1.1 and 1.3. |
| | (h) the consequences of not proceeding with the action. | The consequence of not proceeding with the proposal would be a lack of transport options in the rapidly expanding northern growth corridor. Adverse impacts of not proceeding include 'locking in' higher car dependence, which leads to increased traffic congestion, associated greenhouse gas emissions, reduced air quality, lost opportunities for better public health outcomes from walking/cycling, and increasing difficulty/cost of being able to provide this infrastructure in future once urban development has consolidated. |
| 2 Description | 2.01 A description of the action, including: | |
| | (a) all the components of the action. | Section 2.3 and Table 2-2. |
| | (b) the precise location of any works to be undertaken, structures to be built or elements of the action that may have relevant impacts. | Section 2.3, Table 2-2 and Figure 2-2. |
| | (c) how the works are to be undertaken and design parameters for those aspects of the structures or elements of the action that may have relevant impacts. | Table 2-2. Appendix P: Construction EMP. |

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| | (d) relevant impacts of the action. | Section 13.4.1, supported by Sections 5.4 and 6.4. |
| | (e) proposed safeguards and mitigation measures to deal with relevant impacts of the action. | Section 13.4.2 and Table 13-7, supported by Sections 5.6 and 6.6. |
| | (f) any other requirements for approval or conditions that apply, or that the proponent reasonably believes are likely to apply, to the proposed action. | Section 1.4. |
| | (g) to the extent reasonably practicable, any feasible alternatives to the action, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) if relevant, the alternative of taking no action. (ii) a comparative description of the impacts of each alternative on the matters protected by the controlling provisions for the action. (iii) sufficient detail to make clear why any alternative is preferred to another. | Sections 2.2, particularly Section 2.2.3. |
| | (h) any consultation about the action, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) any consultation that has already taken place. (ii) proposed consultation about relevant impacts of the action. (iii) if there has been consultation about the proposed action—any documented response to, or result of, the consultation. | Section 1.4 and 3. |
| | (i) identification of affected parties, including a statement mentioning any communities that may be affected and describing their views. | Section 3, particularly Tables 3-1 and 3-2 |
| 3 Relevant impacts | 3.01 Information given under paragraph 2.01(d) must include: | |
| | (a) a description of the relevant impacts of the action. | Section 13.4, supported by Sections 5.4, 5.5, 6.4 and 6.5. |
| | (b) a detailed assessment of the nature and extent of the likely short term and long term relevant impacts. | Section 5, 6 and 13.3. Table 13-6. |
| | (c) a statement whether any relevant impacts are likely to be unknown, unpredictable or irreversible. | Relevant impacts are addressed for key preliminary environmental factors outlined in Sections 5 to 10. Impacts are generally well understood from previous similar linear infrastructure projects on the Swan Coastal Plain. Irreversible impacts are generally the loss of environmental values associated with direct clearing of remnant native vegetation. Inspections and monitoring are proposed in cases where impacts may have unpredictable elements. |

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| | (d) analysis of the significance of the relevant impacts. | Section 13.3, supported by sections 5.5 and 6.5. |
| | (e) any technical data and other information used or needed to make a detailed assessment of the relevant impacts. | Appendix D: Biological Assessment. Appendix E: Biological Factors (Context and Impact Assessment). Appendix F: Fauna Desktop Study. Appendix G: Fauna Underpass Statement. |
| 4 Proposed safeguards and mitigation measures | 4.01 Information given under paragraph 2.01(e) must include: | |
| | (a) a description, and an assessment of the expected or predicted effectiveness of, the mitigation measures. | Section 13.4. Table 13-7. |
| | (b) any statutory or policy basis for the mitigation measures. | Sections 5.5, 5.6, 6.5 and 6.6. |
| | (c) the cost of the mitigation measures. | The cost of mitigation measures is part of the overall cost of the project, which is provided in Appendix P. |
| | (d) an outline of an environmental management plan that sets out the framework for continuing management, mitigation and monitoring programs for the relevant impacts of the action, including any provisions for independent environmental auditing. | Appendix P: Construction EMP. |
| | (e) the name of the agency responsible for endorsing or approving each mitigation measure or monitoring program. | The DWER is responsible for approving mitigation measures and monitoring programs relating to protected fauna. However, the DWER may seek technical advice and/or endorsement from other agencies, e.g. DBCA, DoEE. DWER is responsible for the compliance with conditions that prescribe monitoring and mitigation requirements as part of approvals given under the EP Act. |
| | (f) a consolidated list of mitigation measures proposed to be undertaken to prevent, minimise or compensate for the relevant impacts of the action, including mitigation measures proposed to be taken by State governments, local governments or the proponent. | A consolidated list of mitigation measures has been included in the Executive Summary. Mitigation measures will be the responsibility of the proponent. |
| 5 Other approvals and conditions | 5.01 Information given under paragraph 2.01(f) must include: | |
| | (a) details of any local or State government planning scheme, or plan or policy under any local or State government planning system that deals with the proposed action, including: | The environmental assessment of the railway has previously been considered under amendments to the Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) to include the 'Railways' reservation |

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| | (i) what environmental assessment of the proposed action has been, or is being, carried out under the scheme, plan or policy. (ii) how the scheme provides for the prevention, minimisation and management of any relevant impacts. | as detailed in Section 2. In this instance, the consideration of amendments to the MRS was not the primary mechanism for the assessment of environmental impacts from the proposal. |
| | (b) a description of any approval that has been obtained from a State, Territory or Commonwealth agency or authority (other than an approval under the Act), including any conditions that apply to the action | Section 1.4. |
| | (c) a statement identifying any additional approval that is required. | Section 1.4. |
| | (d) a description of the monitoring, enforcement and review procedures that apply, or are proposed to apply, to the action. | Appendix P: Construction EMP. |
| 6 Environmental record of person proposing to take the action | 6.01 Details of any proceedings under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law for the protection of the environment or the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources against: | The PTA is not subject to any such proceedings. |
| | (a) the person proposing to take the action | N/A |
| | (b) for an action for which a person has applied for a permit, the person making the application. | N/A |
| | 6.02 If the person proposing to take the action is a corporation—details of the corporation’s environmental policy and planning framework | The proponent is not a corporation. The PTA is a statutory authority established by the Public Transport Authority Act 2003. Regardless, the PTA operates under the following documentation, available at www.pta.wa.gov.au : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Policy • Environmental Management System. |
| 7 Information sources | 7.01 For information given in a draft public environment report or environmental impact statement, the draft must state: | |
| | (a) the source of the information | Sections 5.3, 6.3 and 15. Table 5-1 and 6-1. |
| | (b) how recent the information is | Sections 5.3 and 6.3. |
| | (c) how the reliability of the information was tested | Tables 5-1 and 6-1. |
| | (d) what uncertainties (if any) are in the information | Sections 5.3 and 6.3. |