



Environmental Protection Authority

EPA Referral Form

Form for the referral of a proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority under Section 38 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Referrer information			
Who is referring this proposal?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proponent <input type="checkbox"/> Decision-making authority <input type="checkbox"/> Community member/third party	
Name (print) Owen Thomas		Signature 	
Position	Executive Director, Infrastructure Planning and Land Services	Organisation	Public Transport Authority
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	Perth	WA	6000
Date	22/08/2018		
Does the referrer request that the EPA treat any part of the proposal information in the referral as confidential? <i>Provide confidential information in a separate attachment.</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Referral declaration for organisations, proponents and decision-making authorities: I, Owen Thomas, declare that I am authorised to refer this proposal on behalf of Public Transport Authority and further declare that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.			
Part A: Proponent and proposal description			
Proponent information			
Name of the proponent/s (including Trading Name if relevant)		Public Transport Authority	
Australian Company Number(s) <input type="checkbox"/> OR Australian Business Number(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		61 850 109 576	
Contact for the proposal (if different from the referrer) <i>Please include: name; physical address; phone; and email.</i>		Miranda Ludlow Environmental Manager Public Transport Authority Public Transport Centre, West Parade PERTH WA 6000 Direct: 9326 3972	

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<p>Does the proponent have the legal access required for the implementation of all aspects of the proposal? <i>If yes, provide details of legal access authorisations / agreements / tenure.</i> <i>If no, what authorisations / agreements / tenure is required and from whom?</i></p>	<p>X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>The Yanchep Rail Extension has been declared a Public Work, under section 11 of the <i>Public Works Act 1902</i> (PWA). Following the declaration, the Minister for Transport provided authorisation to enter land under Section 82 of the PWA for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of constructing the Yanchep Rail Extension railway, in particular works as described in section 82(1) of the PWA.</p> <p>In accordance with the PWA, the PTA Land Tenure team will be responsible for arranging entry onto land for the purposes of feasibility studies, including survey and geotechnical investigation works.</p> <p>Rail Enabling Legislation is required to authorise, in accordance with Part VI of the PWA, the construction of the Yanchep Rail Extension and grant powers, under Parts 9 and 10 of the <i>Land Administration Act 1997</i>, to acquire interests in land for the construction of the railway. The Rail Enabling Legislation was introduced into Parliament in early 2018.</p>
Proposal type	
<p>What type of proposal is being referred? For a change to an approved proposal please state the Ministerial Statement number/s (MS No./s) of the approved proposal</p> <p>For a derived proposal please state the Ministerial Statement number (MS No.) of the associated strategic proposal</p>	<p>X significant – new proposal <input type="checkbox"/> significant – change to approved proposal (MS No./s: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> proposal under an assessed planning scheme <input type="checkbox"/> strategic <input type="checkbox"/> derived (Strategic MS No.: _____)</p>
<p>For a significant proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why do you consider the proposal may have a significant effect on the environment and warrant referral to the EPA? 	<p>The proposal will require the clearing and disturbance of 72.88 ha including the permanent loss of up to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.05 ha <i>Melaleuca huegellii</i> – <i>M. acerosa</i> [<i>M. systema</i>] shrublands on limestone ridges Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) 26a in “Very Good” condition 18.11 ha of regionally significant bushland within Bush Forever Site No. 289 56.96 ha of Carnaby’s Black Cockatoo foraging habitat and 37 potential

	<p>breeding trees.</p> <p>The Yanchep Rail Extension project is likely to have a high level of public interest.</p>
<p>For a proposal under an assessed planning scheme, provide the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheme name and number <p>For the Responsible Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What new environmental issues are raised by the proposal that were not assessed during the assessment of the planning scheme? • How does the proposal not comply with the assessed scheme and/or the environmental conditions in the assessed planning scheme? 	N/A
Proposal description	
Title of the proposal	Yanchep Rail Extension: Part 2 – Eglinton Station to Yanchep Station
Name of the Local Government Authority in which the proposal is located.	City of Wanneroo
<p>Location:</p> <p>a) street address, lot number, suburb, and nearest road intersection; or</p> <p>b) if remote the nearest town and distance and direction from that town to the proposal site.</p>	<p>The dual narrow-gauge track will begin from a future connection with the Joondalup railway line, approximately 0.67 km north of the future Eglinton Station. The railway will pass through Bush Forever Site No. 289 and existing urban development in Yanchep before terminating approximately 0.93 km north of the future Yanchep Station.</p>
<p>Proposal description – including the key characteristics of the proposal</p> <p><i>Provide as an attachment to the form</i></p>	<p>The proposal is to extend the Joondalup railway line from Eglinton Station to Yanchep Station and includes a turnback facility to the north of the Yanchep Station to allow for the turning and stowage of trains. The proposal also includes the construction of a new station at Yanchep with intermodal rail, bus, 'park and ride', 'kiss and ride' and active mode (cycling and walking) facilities at the Yanchep Station.</p> <p>The 72.88 ha development envelope is comprised of a 60.31 ha development footprint and 12.57 ha construction and access area.</p>
<p>Have you provided electronic spatial data, maps and figure in the appropriate format?</p> <p><i>Refer to instructions at the front of the form</i></p>	X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<p>What is the current land use on the property, and the extent (area in hectares) of the property?</p>	<p>The majority of the proposal's development envelope is undeveloped and characterised by coastal dune formations and associated native vegetation. Approximately 53.19 ha (or 73%) of the development envelope's 72.88 ha extent contains remnant native vegetation (i.e. vegetation that is representative of the previously mapped vegetation associations and regional</p>

	<p>vegetation complexes). Approximately 10.56 ha (14%) has been previously cleared.</p> <p>Approximately 30% of the development envelope is comprised of land reserved "Railways" under the MRS. The remainder of the land within the development envelope is zoned "Urban" or "Central City Area" or reserved for "Other Regional Roads" and "Parks and Recreation".</p>
<p>Have you had pre-referral discussions with the OEPA? If so, quote the reference number and/or the OEPA contact.</p>	<p>A proposal briefing was conducted for the Chairman of the EPA, Dr Tom Hatton, and officers from the Department of Water and Environment Regulation (DWER) with the PTA represented by Environment Manager, Miranda Ludlow, on 04 September 2017.</p> <p>The PTA has consulted with DWER officers on a regular basis to progress the drafting of the YRE project referral.</p>

Part B: Environmental impacts

Environmental factors

<p>What are the likely significant environmental factors for this proposal?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Benthic Communities and Habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Processes <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Environmental Quality <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Fauna <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flora and Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landforms <input type="checkbox"/> Subterranean Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Environmental Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrological Processes <input type="checkbox"/> Inland Waters Environmental Quality <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Surroundings <input type="checkbox"/> Human Health
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For the environmental factors identified above, complete the following table, or provide the information in a supplementary report. Please be sure to complete a separate table per factor identified above.

Potential environmental impacts

1	EPA Factor	The potential environmental impacts for the EPA factors relevant to the proposal are supplied in the supplementary Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report.
2	EPA policy and guidance - What have you considered and how have you applied them in relation to this factor?	
3	Consultation – Outline the outcomes of consultation in relation to the potential environmental impacts	
4	Receiving environment - Describe the current condition of the receiving environment in relation to this factor.	
5	Proposal activities – Describe the proposal activities that have the potential to impact the environment	
6	Mitigation - Describe the measures proposed to manage and mitigate the potential environmental impacts.	
7	Impacts - Assess the impacts of the proposal and review the residual impacts against the EPA objective.	
8	Assumptions - Describe any assumptions critical to your assessment <i>e.g. particular mitigation measures or regulatory conditions.</i>	

Part C: Other approvals and regulation

State and Local Government approvals

<p>Is rezoning of any land required before the proposal can be implemented? If yes, please provide details.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Approximately 30% of the development envelope is reserved "Railways" under the Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS). A minor amendment to the MRS will be processed after construction and survey of the railway to include those portions located outside the boundaries of the current MRS "Railways" reservation.</p> <p>The land currently reserved under the MRS for railways is exempt from planning approvals, with those portions of railway outside the reserve boundaries (not including the Train Stations) to be exempt from planning approval under the Rail Enabling Legislation. Planning approval applications will be lodged for development of the Train Stations only.</p>
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<p>If this proposal has been referred by a decision-making authority, what approval(s) are required from you?</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
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Proposal activities <small>e.g. clearing, dewatering, mining, processing, dredging,</small>	Land tenure/access <small>e.g. Crown land – LA Act, Min Act, CALM Act specify type</small>	Type of approval <small>e.g. Native Vegetation Clearing Permit, licence, mining proposal,</small>	Legislation regulating the activity <small>e.g. EP Act 1986 – Part V, RiWI Act 1914, Mining Act 1979</small>

Commonwealth Government approvals

<p>Does the proposal involve an action that may be or is a controlled action under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (EPBC Act)?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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<p>Has the proposed action been referred? If yes, when was it referred and what is the reference number (EPBC No.)?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>The proposal was referred to the Department of the Environment and Energy on 20 July 2018.</p> <p>The project title and reference number are Yanchep Rail Extension Part 2 (EPBC 2018/8262).</p>
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Part C: Other approvals and regulation

State and Local Government approvals

If referred, has a decision been made on whether the proposed action is a controlled action? If 'yes', check the appropriate box and provide the decision in an attachment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Do you request that this proposal be assessed under the bilateral agreement or as an accredited assessment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Bilateral <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Accredited
Is approval required from other Commonwealth Government/s for any part of the proposal? <i>If yes, describe.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No