

Environmental Protection Authority

Yes

No

Referral of a Proposal by the Proponent to the **Environmental Protection Authority under** Section 38(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986.

PURPOSE OF THIS FORM

Section 38(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act) provides that where a development proposal is likely to have a significant effect on the environment, a proponent may refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for a decision on whether or not it requires assessment under the EP Act. This form sets out the information requirements for the referral of a proposal by a proponent.

Proponents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the EPA's General Guide on Referral of Proposals [see Environmental Impact Assessment/Referral of Proposals and Schemes] before completing this form.

A referral under section 38(1) of the EP Act by a proponent to the EPA must be made on this form. A request to the EPA for a declaration under section 39B (derived proposal) must be made on this form. This form will be treated as a referral provided all information required by Part A has been included and all information requested by Part B has been provided to the extent that it is pertinent to the proposal being referred. Referral documents are to be submitted in two formats - hard copy and electronic copy. The electronic copy of the referral will be provided for public comment for a period of 7 days, prior to the EPA making its decision on whether or not to assess the proposal.

CHECKLIST

Before you submit this form, please check that you have:

Completed all the questions in Part A (essential)

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Completed all applicable questions in Part B.								~	,	\top		1	
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following question (a response is optional). Do you consider the proposal requires formal environmental impact assessment? Not sure Yes ✓ No If yes, what level of assessment? Public Environmental Review Assessment on Proponent Information PROPONENT DECLARATION (to be completed by the proponent) ١. Bruce Bowman from Bowman and Associates Ltd....., (full name) declare that I am authorised on behalf of...Ray Gullotto from Capital Recycling..... (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and further declare that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading. Signature Name (print) Bruce Bowman **Position Director** Company Bowman & Associates Pty Ltd

Date 02.11.2012

Following a review of the information presented in this form, please consider the

PART A - PROPONENT AND PROPOSAL INFORMATION
(All fields of Part A must be completed for this document to be treated as a referral)

1 PROPONENT AND PROPOSAL INFORMATION

1.1 Proponent

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Name	Capital Recycling
Joint Venture parties (if applicable)	
Australian Company Number (if applicable)	ADN. 44000400407
Australian Company Number (if applicable)	ABN 44603462405
Postal Address	34 Jackson St, Bayswater 6053
(where the proponent is a corporation or an	
association of persons, whether incorporated or	
not, the postal address is that of the principal	
place of business or of the principal office in the	
State)	
Key proponent contact for the proposal:	
• name	Ray Gullotto
address	34 Jackson St, Bayswater WA 6053
• phone	(08) 9279 4599
• email	ray@capitalrecycling.com.au
Consultant for the proposal (if applicable):	
• name	Bruce Bowman
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address	8/288 High Rd, Riverton WA 6151
• phone	(08) 9457 5899
• email	bruce@bowmanassociates.com.au

1.2 Proposal

Title	Gravel Extraction
Description	The Proponent wishes to extract gravel from the Lot and replace the excavated area with inert fill. The volume of gravel available to extract is estimated at 212,000 m³ over an area of 10.50 ha from the Lot, sporadically over a period of 5 to 6 years.
Extent (area) of proposed ground disturbance.	The gravel extraction will be divided over two stages, Stage 1 will cover an area of 3 ha and Stage 2 will cover an area of 7.5 ha
Timeframe in which the activity or development is proposed to occur (including start and finish dates where applicable).	2012 to 2018
Details of any staging of the proposal.	Stage 1: 3 ha on western side of Lot M1822 Stage 2: 7.5 ha on eastern side of Lot M1822
Is the proposal a strategic proposal?	No
Is the proponent requesting a declaration that the	No

proposal is a derived proposal? If so, provide the following information on the strategic assessment within which the referred proposal was identified: • title of the strategic assessment; and • Ministerial Statement number. Please indicate whether, and in what way, the proposal is related to other proposals in the	N/A
region. Does the proponent own the land on which the proposal is to be established? If not, what other arrangements have been established to access the land?	The owners of the Lot are, in quarter shares; Paul Curtis and Sean Curtis, directors of River Nominees Pty Ltd trading as Purearth, and their respective partners Barbara Curtis and Helen Curtis. A lease agreement will be entered by the Proponent with the owners.
What is the current land use on the property, and the extent (area in hectares) of the property?	The land was used for copping and grazing. The total area of the Lot is 100 acres.

1.3 Location

Name of the Shire in which the proposal is located.	Shire of Northam
For urban areas:	
street address;	D 0755
lot number;	Lot M1822 on Diagram 8755
suburb; and	Woottating
nearest road intersection.	Horton Road – Great Southern Highway
For remote localities:	
nearest town; and	
 distance and direction from that town to the proposal site. 	
Electronic copy of spatial data - GIS or CAD, georeferenced and conforming to the following	Enclosed?: Yes / No
parameters:	100,0000
GIS: polygons representing all activities and named;	Yes
 CAD: simple closed polygons representing all activities and named; 	Yes
datum: GDA94;	
 projection: Geographic (latitude/longitude) or Map Grid of Australia (MGA); 	
format: Arcview shapefile, Arcinfo coverages, Microstation or AutoCAD.	Yes

1.4 Confidential Information

Does the proponent wish to request the EPA to allow any part of the referral information to be treated as confidential?	
If yes, is confidential information attached as a	
separate document in hard copy?	N/A

1.5 Government Approvals

Is rezoning of any la proposal can be implem If yes, please provide de		No	
		Yes / No	
Agency/Authority	Approval required	Application lodged Yes / No	Agency/Local Authority contact(s) for proposal
Shire of Northam	Planning Approval	Yes	Brooke Newman Planning Officer (08) 9622 6143
Department of	Works Approval under	Yes, Referred to	Malini Alexander

Environment and Conservation	Part V of EP Act	EPA	Environmental Officer 9333 7554
Main Roads WA	Consent for Haul Road	In Process	
Department of Water	Water Management Plan	Yes	James Mackintosh Program Manager 6250 8043

PART B - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND PROPOSED MANAGEMENT

2. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Describe the impacts of the proposal on the following elements of the environment, by answering the questions contained in Sections 2.1-2.11:

2.1 flora and vegetation;

The proposed gravel extraction activity will be limited to the cleared paddock areas on the Lot and hence the proposal is not considered to impact on existing flora. No clearing of vegetation is required for the proposed gravel extraction operation.

2.2 fauna;

The proposed gravel extraction will be carried out only on the Pastoral habitat which is considered of no conservation significance and hence is not expected to have any impact on existing fauna.

2.3 rivers, creeks, wetlands and estuaries;

The geology of the Lot together with the proposed groundwater management measures will ensure that the proposal will have minimum impact to the existing groundwater quality. Drainage management strategy for the Lot will ensure that the creeks within the lot will not have any impact by the proposed gravel extraction.

2.4 significant areas and/ or land features;

N/A

2.5 coastal zone areas;

N/A

2.6 marine areas and biota;

N/A

2.7 water supply and drainage catchments;

The gravel extraction will be carried out only during dryer months and together with the drainage management strategy for the Lot will ensure that the creeks within the lot will not have any impact by the proposed gravel extraction.

2.8 pollution;

The potential discharge of sediments during the gravel extraction operation will be arrested by silt traps and drains. The nearest receptor to the Lot is 700 m towards the north. Any potential dust and noise impact will be management with appropriate management and monitoring.

2.9 greenhouse gas emissions;

N/A

2.10 contamination; and

2.11 social surroundings.

The Lot is in a rural area and all of the surrounding properties are used for cropping, sheep or cattle grazing. Further afield is the BGC quarry approximately 2.5 km to the south and a Prison approximately 2 km to the north west. There is also an intensive agriculture facility with large greenhouses approximately 1.5 km to the south west of the Lot. This property is owned by Maurice and Irene Hoyle. The adjacent land uses compliment the proposal and are minimally affected due to the irregular and small nature of the operation.

These features should be shown on the site plan, where appropriate.

For all information, please indicate:

- the source of the information; and
- (b) the currency of the information.

2.1 I	Flora and Vegetation	1				
2.1.1	Do you propose to clear any native flora and vegetation as a part of this proposal?					
	the EP Act (Environ	mental Prote	ation may require a clearing permit under Part V on ection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations tment of Environment and Conservation (DEC) fo			
	(please tick)	☐ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.			
		✓ No	If no, go to the next section			
2.1.2	How much vegetatio	n are you pro	posing to clear (in hectares)?			
No cle	earing of vegetation is	required.				
2.1.3	Have you submitted you are exempt from		on to clear native vegetation to the DEC (unless irement)?			
	☐ Yes	☐ No	If yes, on what date and to which office was the application submitted of the DEC?			

2.1.4 Are you aware of any recent flora surveys carried out over the area to be disturbed by this proposal?

	✓ Yes	□ No	If yes, please <u>attach</u> a copy of any related survey reports and <u>provide</u> the date and name of persons / companies involved in the survey(s).
			If no, please do not arrange to have any biological surveys conducted prior to consulting with the DEC.
2.1.5			for known occurrences of rare or priority flora or ies been conducted for the site?
	✓ Yes	□ No	If you are proposing to clear native vegetation for any part of your proposal, a search of DEC records of known occurrences of rare or priority flora and threatened ecological communities will be required. Please contact DEC for more information.
2.1.6	Are there any known communities on the s		ces of rare or priority flora or threatened ecological
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please indicate which species or communities are involved and provide copies of any correspondence with DEC regarding these matters.
2.1.7	or adjacent to a list	ed Bush F	ppolitan Region, is the proposed development within Forever Site? (You will need to contact the Bush nt for Planning and Infrastructure)
	Yes	✓ No	If yes, please indicate which Bush Forever Site is affected (site number and name of site where appropriate).
2.1.8	What is the condition	of the veg	etation at the site?
a cle	ared paddock with a	few patc	ed to completely degraded condition and consists of thes of mature trees (Eucalyptus marginata and ction activity will be limited to cleared paddock.
2.2	Fauna		
2.2.1	Do you expect that ar	ny fauna or	fauna habitat will be impacted by the proposal?
	(please tick)	☐ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.
		✓ No	If no, go to the next section.

2.2.3	Are you aware of any by this proposal?	recent fau	na surveys carried out over the area to be disturbed
	✓ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please <u>attach</u> a copy of any related survey reports and <u>provide</u> the date and name of persons / companies involved in the survey(s).
			If no, please do not arrange to have any biological surveys conducted prior to consulting with the DEC.
2.2.4	Has a search of D (threatened) fauna be		s for known occurrences of Specially Protected ted for the site?
	✓ Yes	☐ No	(please tick)
2.2.5	Are there any known site?	occurrence	es of Specially Protected (threatened) fauna on the
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please indicate which species or communities are involved and provide copies of any correspondence with DEC regarding these matters.
2.3	Rivers, Creeks, Wetla	nds and E	stuaries
2.3.1	Will the development	occur withi	n 200 metres of a river, creek, wetland or estuary?
	(please tick)	✓ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.
		☐ No	If no, go to the next section.
2.3.2	Will the development	result in th	e clearing of vegetation within the 200 metre zone?
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.
2.3.3	Will the development estuary?	result in the	he filling or excavation of a river, creek, wetland or
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.
2.3.4	Will the developmer estuary?	nt result in	the impoundment of a river, creek, wetland o

2.2.2 Describe the nature and extent of the expected impact.

	☐ Yes 🗸 N	No If yes , please d impact.	escribe the extent o	f the expected
2.3.5	Will the development result	t in draining to a river,	creek, wetland or es	stuary?
	☐ Yes 🗸	No If yes , please d impact.	escribe the extent o	f the expected
2.3.6	Are you aware if the propo buffer) within one of the fol	•		r estuary (or its
	Conservation Category We	tland	☐ Yes 🗸 No	Unsure
	Environmental Protection Agricultural Zone Wetlands	•	☐ Yes ✓ No	☐ Unsure
	Perth's Bush Forever site		☐ Yes 🗸 No	Unsure
	Environmental Protection Rivers) Policy 1998	(Swan & Canning	☐ Yes ✓ No	Unsure
	The management area as a Swan River Trust Act 1988		☐ Yes 🗸 No	☐ Unsure
	Which is subject to an inte because of the importanc waterbirds and waterbird h JAMBA, CAMBA)	ce of the wetland for	∐ Yes ✓ No	☐ Unsure
2.4 2.4.1	Significant Areas and/ or L Is the proposed developm National Park or Nature Re	ent located within or a	adjacent to an existi	ng or proposed
	☐ Yes 🗸		rovide details.	
2.4.2	Are you aware of any Envi under section 51B of the development?			
	☐ Yes ✓ M	No If yes , please p	rovide details.	
2.4.3	Are you aware of any sign will be impacted by the pro		atures (e.g. caves, r	anges etc) that
	☐ Yes ✓ 1	No If yes , please p	rovide details.	

2.5 Coastal Zone Areas (Coastal Dunes and Beaches)

2.5.1 Will the development occur within 300metres of a coastal area?

	(please tick)	☐ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.		
		✓ No	If no, go to the next section.		
2.5.2	What is the expected the primary dune?	l setback o	f the development from the high tide level and from		
2.5.3 Will the development impact on coastal areas with significant landforms beach ridge plain, cuspate headland, coastal dunes or karst?					
	☐ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.		
2.5.4	Is the development lil	kely to impa	act on mangroves?		
	☐ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.		
	Marine Areas and Bio				
2.6.1	Is the development likely to impact on an area of sensitive benthic communities, such as seagrasses, coral reefs or mangroves?				
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.		
2.6.2	Is the development likely to impact on marine conservation reserves or areas recommended for reservation (as described in <i>A Representative Marine Reserve System for Western Australia</i> , CALM, 1994)?				
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact.		
2.6.3	Is the development likely to impact on marine areas used extensively for recreation or for commercial fishing activities?				
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe the extent of the expected impact, and provide any written advice from relevant agencies (e.g. Fisheries WA).		

2.7 Water Supply and Drainage Catchments

2.7.1 Are you in a proclaimed or proposed groundwater or surface water protection area? (You may need to contact the Department of Water (DoW) for more information on the requirements for your location, including the requirement for licences for water abstraction. Also, refer to the DoW website)

	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe what category of area.			
2.7.2	7.2 Are you in an existing or proposed Underground Water Supply and Pollution Co area?					
	(You may need to contact the DoW for more information on the requirements for your location, including the requirement for licences for water abstraction. Also refer to the DoW website)					
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe what category of area.			
2.7.3	Are you in a Public D	rinking Wate	er Supply Area (PDWSA)?			
	(You may need to contact the DoW for more information or refer to the DoN website. A proposal to clear vegetation within a PDWSA requires approval from DoW.)					
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please describe what category of area.			
2.7.4	Is there sufficient wat	er available	for the proposal?			
			to whether approvals are required to source water y, please provide a letter of intent from the DoW)			
	☐ Yes	✓ No	(please tick)			
Water	will be trucked from the	ne Shire of N	Mundaring			
2.7.5	Will the proposal requ	uire drainage	e of the land?			
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, how is the site to be drained and will the drainage be connected to an existing Local Authority or Water Corporation drainage system? Please provide details.			
2.7.6	Is there a water requi	irement for t	he construction and/ or operation of this proposal?			
	(please tick)	✓ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.			
		☐ No	If no, go to the next section.			
2.7.7	.7.7 What is the water requirement for the construction and operation of this proposal, in kilolitres per year?					
Varie	S					
2.7.8	What is the proposed source of water for the proposal? (e.g. dam, bore, surface water etc.)					
Dam located within site and from Shire of Mundaring stand pipe.						
2.8 Pollution						

2.8.1	noise, vibration, gaseous emissions, dust, liquid effluent, solid waste or other pollutants?				
	(please tick)	✓ Yes	If yes, complete the rest of this section.		
		☐ No	If no, go to the next section.		
2.8.2	Is the proposal a Regulations 1987?	prescribed	premise, under the Environmental Protection		
	(Refer to the EPA's General Guide for Referral of Proposals to the EPA under section 38(1) of the EP Act 1986 for more information)				
	✓ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please describe what category of prescribed premise.		
Categ	ory 12: Screening etc	c. of material			
2.8.3	Will the proposal res	ult in gaseou	s emissions to air?		
	☐ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please briefly describe.		
No					
2.8.4	Have you done any modelling or analysis to demonstrate that air quality standards will be met, including consideration of cumulative impacts from other emission sources?				
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please briefly describe.		
2.8.5	2.8.5 Will the proposal result in liquid effluent discharge?				
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please briefly describe the nature, concentrations and receiving environment.		
2.8.6	3.6 If there is likely to be discharges to a watercourse or marine environment, has any analysis been done to demonstrate that the State Water Quality Management Strategy or other appropriate standards will be able to be met?				
	☐ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please describe.		
2.8.7	Will the proposal pro	oduce or resu	It in solid wastes?		
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If yes, please briefly describe the nature, concentrations and disposal location/ method.		
2.8.8	Will the proposal res	sult in signific	ant off-site noise emissions?		

☐ Yes ✓ No If yes, please briefly describe.				
The gravel extraction may have noise emissions, however the nearest resident is 700 raway from the northern boundary and hence the noise impact on the resident is considered to the minimal.				
2.8.9 Will the development be subject to the Environmental Protection (Noise Regulations 1997?				
✓ Yes ☐ No If yes, has any analysis been carried out t demonstrate that the proposal will comply wit the Regulations?				
Please attach the analysis.				
Noise Impact Assessment has been enclosed as Appendix F				
2.8.10 Does the proposal have the potential to generate off-site, air quality impacts, of odour or another pollutant that may affect the amenity of residents and of "sensitive premises" such as schools and hospitals (proposals in this category include intensive agriculture, aquaculture, marinas, mines and quarries etc.)?				
✓ Yes ☐ No If yes, please describe and provide the distance to residences and other "sensitive premises".				
The gravel extraction may have dust emissions, however the nearest resident is 700 r away from the northern boundary and hence the noise impact on the resident is considered to the minimal.				
2.8.11 If the proposal has a residential component or involves "sensitive premises", is located near a land use that may discharge a pollutant?				
☐ Yes ✓ No ☐ Not Applicable				
If yes, please describe and provide the distanc to the potential pollution source				
2.9 Greenhouse Gas Emissions2.9.1 Is this proposal likely to result in substantial greenhouse gas emissions (greate than 100 000 tonnes per annum of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions)?				
☐ Yes ✓ No If yes, please provide an estimate of the annual gross emissions in absolute and in carbo dioxide equivalent figures.				
2.9.2 Further, if yes, please describe proposed measures to minimise emissions, and an sink enhancement actions proposed to offset emissions.				

2.10 C	ontamination					
2.10.1	Has the property on which the proposal is to be located been used in the past for activities which may have caused soil or groundwater contamination?					
	✓ Yes	☐ No	Unsure	If yes, please describe.		
Use of	chemicals for farn	ning and cropp	oing			
2.10.2	2.10.2 Has any assessment been done for soil or groundwater contamination on the site?					
	✓ Yes	☐ No	If yes, please	e describe.		
ground higher holes in Total E increas with ov oxidise areas (watercoassess salinisathe win	Unconfined groundwater was found in all bores within 1-2 m of the surface on lower lying ground during winter around the watercourse as anticipated, and 3-5 m below surface on higher ground. Groundwater investigations carried out in September 2008 on six bore holes indicated that the groundwater in the vicinity of the Lot is mostly of good quality, with Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) between 68-451 mg/L, but near the watercourse, TDS increases to over 2,000 mg/L. The surface water in the watercourse itself is of poor quality, with over 2,000 mg/L TDS. The groundwater contains up to 8 mg/L Total Nitrogen, mostly oxidised nitrogen (nitrite plus nitrate), lesser amounts of organic nitrogen and in some areas groundwater contains low concentrations of nutrients. The surface water in the watercourse also shows low concentrations of nitrogen, and no detectable phosphate. The assessment concluded that the stream has degraded water quality from secondary salinisation consistently throughout the winter period, as this was sampled at the end of the winter period in September and October. The property itself would seem to contribute additional salts to the stream as it flows from east to west across the property.					
	Act 2003? (on fin ☐ Yes	alisation of th ✓ No	e CS Regulations a If yes , please	nd proclamation of the CS Act) e describe.		
2.11 S	ocial Surroundin	gs				
2.11.1			ty which contains I significance that m	or is near a site of Aboriginal ay be disturbed?		
	☐ Yes	✓ No	Unsure	If yes, please describe.		
2.11.2			vhich contains or is r natural scenic feal If yes, please des	·		
2.11.3	Will the proposa affect the amenit			transport of goods, which may		
	☐ Yes	✓ No	If ves, please des	scribe.		

Semi-trailers would be used to transport gravel to different end use sites. The estimated traffic volume is 10 trucks and two staff vehicles in and out each day during operating days. The pay load of each semi-trailer is expected to be not more than 24 tonnes.

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3. PROPOSED MANAGEMENT

3.1 Principles of Environmental Protection

3.1.1	Have you considered how your project gives attention to the following Principles, as set out in section 4A of the EP Act? (For information on the Principles of Environmental Protection, please see EPA Position Statement No. 7, available on the EPA website)						
	1. The precautionary principle.		V	Yes	☐ No		
	2. The principle of intergenerat	ional equity.	~	Yes	☐ No		
	3. The principle of the co- diversity and ecological integ	•	~	Yes	☐ No		
	4. Principles relating to improvincentive mechanisms.	ed valuation, pricing and	,,,,	Yes	↓ No		
	5. The principle of waste minim	nisation.	~	Yes	☐ No		
3.1.2	Is the proposal consistent with the EPA's Environmental Protection Bulletins/Position Statements and Environmental Assessment Guidelines/Guidance Statements (available on the EPA website)?						
	✓ Yes ☐ No						
3.2	Consultation						
3.2.1	Has public consultation taken place (such as with other government agencies, community groups or neighbours), or is it intended that consultation shall take place?						
	✓ Yes	If yes, please list those comments or summar separate sheet.		nsulted ar response			

The response to comments from Shire has been enclosed as Appendix G