




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 type="checkbox"/> Proponent <input type="checkbox"/> Decision-making authority <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community member /third party	
Name Paul Everson		Signature 	
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Date	6 April 2020		
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,Paul Everson....., (<i>full name</i>) declare that I am authorised to refer this proposal on behalf of.....Department of Defence..... 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)		Department of Defence	
Australian Company Number(s) <input type="checkbox"/>		68 706 814 312	
OR Australian Business Number(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Contact for the proposal (if different from the referrer) <i>Please include: name, physical address, phone, and email.</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

<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><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Proposal type</p>	
<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 For a derived proposal please state the Ministerial Statement number (MS No.) of the associated strategic proposal</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 may attract public interest and has the potential to impact upon marine fauna and benthic communities and habitats. Defence considers the impacts to be manageable. Under Defence’s ‘Good Neighbour’ policy, Defence has chosen to refer this Proposal to the EPA.</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? 	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Proposal description</p>	
<p>Title of the proposal</p>	<p>Underwater Training Range</p>
<p>Name of the Local Government Authority in which the proposal is located.</p>	<p>Swanbourne: City of Nedlands Lancelin: Shire of Gingin</p>
<p>Location:</p> <p>a) street address, lot number, suburb, and nearest road intersection; or b) if remote the nearest town and distance and direction from that town to the proposal site.</p>	<p>Swanbourne: Defence gazetted waters adjacent to the shore-based rifle range at Campbell Barracks, approximately 10 km west of Perth. Lancelin: Defence gazetted waters adjacent to the Lancelin Defence Training Area (LDTA).</p>
<p>Proposal description – including the key characteristics of the proposal <i>Provide as an attachment to the form</i></p>	<p>Defence is proposing to establish underwater training ranges in the gazetted waters adjacent to the Swanbourne and Lancelin military training areas to facilitate ongoing training in a range of underwater training operations.</p>

	Supplementary report attached.
Have you provided electronic spatial data, maps and figure in the appropriate format? <i>Refer to instructions at the front of the form</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No A shapefile of the proposal area is provided with this Referral Form. Figures providing necessary information to support consideration of the referral are provided in the Referral Supporting Document.
What is the current land use on the property, and the extent (area in hectares) of the property?	Defence gazetted waters. The Operational Envelopes are approximately 1,200 ha at Swanbourne and 4,800 ha at Lancelin.
Have you had pre-referral discussions with the EPA at DWER Services? If so, quote the reference number and/or the DWER contact.	Pre-referral discussion on 21 January 2020 with Hans Jacob and Gordon Motherwell.

Part B: Environmental impacts

Environmental factors

What are the likely significant environmental factors for this proposal?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Benthic Communities and Habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Processes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine Environmental Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> Flora and Vegetation <input type="checkbox"/> Landforms <input type="checkbox"/> Subterranean Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Environmental Quality <input type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> Inland Waters <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Surroundings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Human Health
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For each of the environmental factors identified above, complete the following table, or provide the information in a supplementary report

Potential environmental impacts

1	EPA Factor	Supplementary report attached.
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 e.g. particular mitigation measures or regulatory conditions.	

Part C: Other approvals and regulation

State and Local Government approvals

Is rezoning of any land required before the proposal can be implemented?
If yes, please provide details.

Yes No

If this proposal has been referred by a decision-making authority, what approval(s) are required from you?

N/A

Please identify other approvals required for the proposal:

Proposal activities e.g. clearing, dewatering, mining, processing, dredging	Land tenure/access e.g. Crown land, Mining lease, specify legislation for access if relevant	Type of approval e.g. Native Vegetation Clearing Permit, licence, mining proposal,	Legislation regulating the activity e.g. <i>EP Act 1986 – Part V, RiWI Act 1914, Mining Act 1979</i>
Defence training activities as described in supplementary report	Gazetted Defence Practice Area	Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) (Internal Defence Assessment)	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>

Commonwealth Government approvals

Does the proposal involve an action that may be or is a controlled action under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)?

Yes No

Has the proposed action been referred? If yes, when was it referred and what is the reference number (EPBC No.)?

Yes No

Date: _____

EPBC No.: _____

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.

Yes No

Decision – controlled action

Decision – not a controlled action

If the proposal is determined to be a controlled action, do you request that this proposal be assessed under the bilateral agreement or as an accredited assessment?

Yes - Bilateral No

Yes - Accredited

Is approval required from other Commonwealth Government/s for any part of the proposal?
If yes, describe.

Yes No

Approval:

Defence has an internal environmental impact assessment process that will be followed. If determined that the Proposal potentially poses a significant impact, Defence will refer it to the Commonwealth (as per section 1.3 and 1.4 of supporting document)