

Environmental Protection Act 1986

Section 40(2)(a)

NOTICE REQUIRING INFORMATION FOR ASSESSMENT

PERSON TO WHOM THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN

Shark Bay Resources Pty Ltd (ACN: 079 088 636)
Level 16/ 2, The Esplanade
PERTH WA 6000

PROPOSAL TO WHICH THIS NOTICE RELATES: Shark Bay Resources Maintenance Dredging

Pursuant to section 40(2)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, I, as a delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), require that you provide the EPA with the following information for its assessment.

Issue 1 – provide further consideration of alternative spoil disposal site locations

- Provide further detail and consideration of spoil disposal locations, including alternative locations, to demonstrate how impacts to the World Heritage and Marine Park have been avoided, minimised and mitigated.

Issue 2 – Updated Dredging Environmental Management Plan

- Further sampling and analysis, in accordance with the Sampling and Analysis Plan and the National Assessment Guidelines for Dredging is required to both characterise the sediments to dredge design depths and determine whether ocean disposal of the contaminated sediments can achieve the relevant species protection levels.
- The Dredge Environmental Management Plan and Dredge Environmental Impact Assessment must be updated following additional sediment sampling and analysis, targeted consultation and consideration of alternatives, to demonstrate how impacts (including to the World Heritage and Marine Park) have/will be avoided, minimised and mitigated, how impacts will be monitored, and contingency measures.

Issue 3 – Targeted stakeholder consultation

- Continue targeted stakeholder consultation with affected stakeholders, including commercial fishers and the Shark Bay World Heritage Advisory Council.
- Provide further information on how targeted stakeholders comments were considered and incorporated into the proposal.

Issue 4 – Clarify proposal stages

- Clarify whether the proposal will be undertaken in stages and if so, how they may be undertaken.

Issue 5 – IMSA data provision

- Please provide an Index of Marine Surveys for Assessments (IMSA) data package for each marine survey report undertaken in accordance with the Instructions and Form: IMSA Data Packages. These instructions and forms are available on the EPA's website <https://www.epa.wa.gov.au/forms-templates/instructions-for-preparing-data-packages-for-the-index-of-marine-surveys-for-assessments-imsa>.

Please advise the EPA by 15 January 2021 when the updated information will be available for the EPA to continue its assessment. The assessment officer for this proposal is Nicola Willson, who can be contacted on Nicola.Willson@dwer.wa.gov.au or 6364 6805.

Your response should be sent by email to registrar@dwer.wa.gov.au marked for the attention of the person cited in the covering letter, or by post to the Environmental Protection Authority, Locked Bag 10, Joondalup DC, Perth WA 6919. Please quote the case number **CMS17852** on any further correspondence.

The EPA will not proceed with its assessment of the proposal until you have provided the requested information and it is considered to be adequate, or if you advise the EPA that the further information is not available and/or cannot be obtained.

Yours sincerely



Lee McIntosh
DEPUTY CHAIR

16 December 2020