

Notice and Invitation for Public Comment - Mulga Downs Iron Ore Mine Project

This Public Notice is published pursuant to Section 98(1)(c) of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd, through its subsidiary Mulga Downs Iron Ore Pty Ltd, is proposing to construct and operate the Mulga Downs Iron Ore Mine Project (EPBC Act Ref: 2022/09255) constituting a new 12mtpa Iron Ore Mine and Infrastructure Project, approximately 210 kilometres south of Port Hedland and 180 kilometres northwest of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. Iron ore will be transported from the mine site using a new haul road, public roads, and existing rail infrastructure for delivery to, and export from, Port Hedland (Proposed Action). The Project includes a development envelope with clearing of native vegetation to facilitate mining above and below the water table. The inclusion of an on-site solar farm will reduce emissions, aligning with broader decarbonisation objectives.

In 2022, a referral of the Proposed Action was submitted to the Federal Minister for Environment and Water (Minister) in accordance with the referral regime set out in the EPBC Act. On the 6th of August 2022 the Minister determined that the Proposed Action is a 'controlled action', on the basis that the Proposed Action is likely to have a significant impact on 'matters of national environmental significance', being:

- 'Listed threatened species and communities' under sections 18 and 18A of the EPBC Act; and
- 'Listed migratory species' under sections 20 and 20A of the EPBC Act.

The purpose of this notice is to invite comments regarding the Proposed Action from members of the public.

The relevant documents are available to members of the public for review and comment:

A physical copy of the relevant documents is now available for viewing without charge at the following locations:

- Shire of Ashburton – Lot 246 Poinciana St, Tom Price, WA, 6751
- Town of Port Hedland Main Office – 13 McGregor St Port Hedland WA 6721
- State Library of Western Australia – 25 Francis St, Perth WA 6000

The documents can also be viewed electronically without charge at <https://www.hanroy.com.au/projects/mulga-downs-mine>

Public comments are to be provided by 19 May 2025 by emailing feedback@hanroy.com.au or alternatively by sending to:

Attention: Mulga Mine Approvals Team

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Persons with any special needs may contact a staff member for help by emailing feedback@hanroy.com.au