



***Environment Protection and Biodiversity  
Conservation Act 1999***  
**Annual Compliance Report**

**EPBC Approval:** 2018/8341

**Project:** Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub, Pilbara, WA

**Report period:** 27 October – 31 December 2022

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## 1 Description of activities

<b>EPBC approval number:</b>	2018/8341
<b>Project name:</b>	Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub, Pilbara, WA
<b>Approval holder:</b>	Hamersley Iron Pty Limited
<b>Approval holder's Australian Business Number:</b>	49 004 558 276
<b>Approved action:</b>	To develop a new mine and associated infrastructure at Western Range and extend existing mining operations and associated infrastructure at Paraburdoo and Eastern Range, Pilbara region, Western Australia.
<b>Location of the project:</b>	Pilbara Region, Western Australia
<b>Reporting period:</b>	27 October 2022 to 31 December 2022
<b>Report preparation date:</b>	28 April 2023
<b>Implementation phase(s) during reporting period:</b>	Pre-construction

## 2 Audit table

Details of compliance with each condition under EPBC approval 2018/8341 are presented in Table 1.

**Table 1: EPBC Approval Conditions Compliance Table - EPBC 2018/8341 – Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub, Pilbara, WA**

Condition Number	Condition	Compliance status	Evidence/Comments
1	<p>To avoid and mitigate impacts to <b>protected matters</b>, the approval holder must not <b>clear</b> more than 4,300 ha, and in addition not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>clear</b> outside the <b>development envelope</b></li> <li>b. <b>clear</b> or <b>impact</b> within the <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> from proposal activities except for activities associated with the implementation of the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b>.</li> <li>c. <b>clear</b> within the <b>development envelope</b> more than the following <b>critical habitat</b> types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. 7 hectares of <b>Riverine habitat</b></li> <li>ii. 36 hectares of <b>Breakaway habitat</b></li> <li>iii. 257 hectares of <b>Gorge/Gully habitat</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>d. <b>clear</b> more than a total combined 4,000 ha within the <b>development envelope</b> of any of the following <b>supporting habitat</b> types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Rocky Hill habitat</b></li> <li>ii. <b>Drainage Line habitat</b></li> <li>iii. <b>Alluvial Plain habitat</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Compliant	<p>The proposal is being implemented in accordance with Condition 1.</p> <p>No clearing was undertaken within the development envelope during the reporting period.</p>
2	<p>For the life of the approval, the approval holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Undertake the measures specified in condition 4-2(2) of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> to minimise impacts to <b>protected matters</b> from dust emissions and fire.</li> <li>b. Minimise noise, vibration, and artificial lighting <b>impacts to protected matters</b> by only undertaking <b>construction, clearing</b> and/or <b>blasting</b> during <b>daylight hours</b>.</li> <li>c. Ensure that if any <b>protected matter(s)</b> are spotted during clearing, the clearing activity that may impact the <b>protected matter(s)</b> must cease until the <b>protected matter(s)</b> moves out of the way of <b>clearing</b> by its own accord. If the <b>protected matter(s)</b> does not move on its own accord, then a <b>fauna handler</b> shall relocate the <b>protected matter(s)</b> away from <b>clearing</b> before recommencing <b>clearing</b>.</li> <li>d. Ensure that no vehicle travels faster than 60 kilometres per hour on unsealed roads, and no more than 60 kilometres per hour at <b>night</b> within 1 kilometre of <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction</b></li> </ul>	Compliant	<p>Measures required in Condition 4-2(2) of the Western Australian Approval was compliant for the reporting period.</p> <p>The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) (our ref: RTIO-HSE-0336947) contains the required environmental outcomes and objectives. The EMP was conditionally endorsed by the Minister on 11 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981208) and approved by OPEA on 15 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981203).</p>

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	<p><b>Zones</b> as outlined in the <b>speed restriction zones</b> at Attachment H. except for an emergency incident.</p> <p>e. Not install any barbed wire fences within the <b>development envelope</b>, <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction Zones</b> excluding the lawful requirement for the intersecting pastoral leases and where barbed wire is required by other legislation. Within 6 months of the approval date, commence the removal of all barbed wire fences from the <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction Zones</b>. Removal of all barbed wire fences from the <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction Zones</b> must be completed within 12-months from the date of this approval, except where there are requirements under WA Legislation. All required barbed wire under WA Legislation, within the <b>development envelope</b> must have the top strand replaced with single strand wire and have reflectors installed to deter bat interaction within 12-months from the date of this approval.</p> <p>f. Use <b>directional and/or shielded lighting</b> in all areas where <b>mining</b> is undertaken to avoid direct and permanent light spill within the <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction Zones</b>.</p>		
3	<p>To avoid and mitigate impacts to <b>Ghost Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b>, the approval holder must:</p> <p>a. Ensure there is no <b>clearing</b> or <b>impacts</b> on the <b>Ratty Springs Cave</b> as a result of the action.</p> <p>b. Limit sound pressure levels attributed to the action to below 70 dB(Z) at the <b>Ratty Springs Cave</b> entrance.</p> <p>c. Limit <b>clearing</b> only to the <b>removed Ghost Bat Caves</b>.</p> <p>d. Maintain the <b>viability</b> of the <b>retained Ghost Bat Caves</b> and the <b>viability</b> of the <b>Ratty Springs Cave</b>.</p> <p>e. Use the findings and outcomes of findings from condition 7-6 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> to inform the <i>Environmental Performance Report</i> required under condition 12 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> and condition 6 of this approval.</p>	Not Applicable	No disturbance or action was undertaken in the vicinity of the Ghost Bat and Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat caves during the reporting period.
4	<p>To minimise <b>impacts</b> to <b>protected matter(s) critical habitats</b> and <b>supporting habitats</b> within the <b>development envelope</b> from the dewatering program, the approval holder must not impact <b>protected matter</b> habitats within the <b>Mining Exclusion Zones</b> and <b>Mining Restriction Zones</b> due to changes to surface and groundwater.</p>	Not Applicable	No disturbance or action was undertaken in the vicinity of protected matter habitats within Mining Exclusion Zones and Mining Restriction Zones. No dewatering action was undertaken within the reporting period.

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5	<p>To mitigate impacts to <b>protected matters</b>, the approval holder must develop an <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> in accordance with condition 7 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> and Conditions 2, 3 and 4 of this approval. The <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> must be endorsed by the <b>Minister</b>. The approval holder must seek <b>Minister</b> endorsement of any subsequent revisions of the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> where changes have been made relevant to <b>protected matters</b> prior to any approval by the DWER.</p> <p>The approval holder must implement the endorsed <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> and any subsequently DWER approved <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> for the <b>life of the approval</b>. The <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> must also include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specification of a monitoring program that is suitable to enable <b>impacts</b> from changes to hydrology on <b>protected matter(s)</b> and their habitats to be mitigated.</li> <li>Commitments that, if the monitoring and predictive modelling shows that <b>impacts to protected matters</b> and their habitats will, or are likely to, be greater than predicted modelling presented in the <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Environmental Review Document</b>, or that any outcome relevant to <b>protected matter(s)</b> required under condition 7 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> may not be achieved, the approval holder will implement condition S(c) of this approval.</li> <li>Commitments that, in the event of any exceedance of a threshold criterion related to <b>protected matter(s)</b> specified in the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b>, the approval holder must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify the <b>Department</b> of the exceedance in the same timeframes as required by condition 7-8 (for exceedance of any threshold criterion) and/or condition 7-9 (for exceedance of any management target) of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> and include in the report advice of any <b>impact(s) to protected matters</b> arising from the exceedance event.</li> <li>Within 6 months of detecting any exceedance of a threshold criterion related to <b>protected matters</b>, caused by implementation of the action, submit to the <b>Department</b> for the <b>Minister's</b> approval, a <b>Remediation Plan</b>. If approved, the <b>Remediation Plan</b> must be implemented.</li> <li>Within 6 months of detecting any exceedance of a threshold criterion related to <b>protected matters</b>, have an <b>independent</b></li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Compliant	<p>The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) (our ref: RTIO-HSE-0336947) contains the required environmental outcomes and objectives. The EMP was conditionally endorsed by the Minister on 11 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981208) and approved by DWER 15 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981203). An updated version of the EMP was submitted to the Minister on 21 December 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981192) and endorsed on 18 January 2023 (our ref: RTIO-0981202).</p>

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	<p><b>suitably qualified person</b> review the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> to advise how to prevent the exceedance reoccurring as detailed in the report required by conditions 7-8(5) and 7-9(3) of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b>.</p> <p>iv. Within 10 months of detecting any exceedance of a threshold criterion related to <b>protected matters</b>, submit to the <b>Department</b> the advice of the <b>independent suitably qualified person</b> and a version of the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> revised to address the advice of the <b>independent suitably qualified person</b>.</p> <p>v. If a revised <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> has not been endorsed by the <b>Minister</b> within 13 months of detecting any exceedance of a threshold criterion, and the <b>Minister</b> notifies the approval holder that the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> is not suitable for endorsement, the <b>Minister</b> may, at least two months after so notifying the approval holder, endorse a version of the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> revised by the <b>Department</b>. The approval holder must implement the endorsed <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> until it is subsequently approved by the <b>DWER</b>.</p> <p>vi. If the <b>Minister</b> informs the approval holder in writing that it is not possible to adequately remediate the <b>impact(s)</b> on <b>protected matter(s)</b> of one or more exceedance (as referred to in condition 5(c)(ii) of this approval), then the approval holder must, within 3 months of receiving such advice from the <b>Minister</b>, submit to the <b>Department</b>, an <b>Exceedance Offset Management Plan (EOMP)</b> addressing the exceedance(s) as specified by the <b>Minister</b> in writing for the <b>Minister's</b> approval. The <b>EOMP</b> must meet the requirements specified in <u>Attachment G</u>.</p> <p>vii. If the <b>EOMP</b> has not been approved by the <b>Minister</b> within 6 months of the <b>Minister</b> informing the approval holder in writing as described in condition 5(c)(vi) of this approval, and the <b>Minister</b> notifies the approval holder that the <b>EOMP</b> is not suitable for approval, the <b>Minister</b> may, at least two months after so notifying the approval holder, approve a version of the <b>EOMP</b> revised by the <b>Department</b>. The approval holder must implement the approved <b>EOMP</b> for the remainder of the <b>life of this approval</b> or a revised version of the <b>EOMP</b> is endorsed.</p>		

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6	The approval holder must provide the <i>Environmental Performance Report</i> as required by condition 12 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> to the <b>Department</b> every five (5) years commencing from the date of this approval. Should the <i>Environmental Performance Report</i> required by conditions 12-3 to 12-5 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> identify any significant change to the state of any <b>protected matter(s)</b> attributed to the action, the approval holder must implement conditions 5(c) of this approval. The approval holder must make each of the <i>Environmental Performance Reports</i> publicly available for the <b>life of the approval</b> .	Not Applicable	No Environmental Performance Report was required within the reporting period. The first Environmental Performance Report will be submitted on 30 April 2028.
7	To compensate for the <b>residual significant impacts</b> of <b>clearing</b> habitat for the <b>Northern Quoll, Ghost Bat, Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b> , the approval holder must make financial contributions to the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> .	Not Applicable	Funds were not required to be contributed to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund during the 2022 reporting period.
8	In contributing to the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> the approval holder must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Contribute funds toward an offset activity or activities that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. reduces the rate of decline of the <b>Northern Quoll, Ghost Bat, Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b>.</li> <li>ii. ensures a viable population of <b>Northern Quoll, Ghost Bat, Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b> remain in the Pilbara region.</li> <li>iii. has specified outcomes and performance indicators.</li> <li>iv. timeframes and milestones for their achievement.</li> <li>v. includes sufficient monitoring to detect achievement of performance indicators, milestones, and the outcomes; and</li> <li>vi. requires regular reporting to the approval holder of the outcomes of the offset activity or activities their funding has contributed towards.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Prior to approval of the <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure</b> by <b>DWER</b> in accordance with condition 11-5 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b>, the approval holder must seek written endorsement of the <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure</b> from the <b>Minister</b>. The approval holder must not commence the action until they have been notified by the <b>DWER</b> that the <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron</b></li> </ul>	Compliant	<p>Endorsement of the Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure (our ref: RTIO-HSE-0345123) was provided by the Minister on 10 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0980742). The action was not commenced until after approval of the Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure from DWER on 15 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981240).</p> <p>Prior to the commencement to the action, a payment of 10 per cent of the total contribution was paid into the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund on 13 December 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0983725). Evidence of payment into the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund was provided to the Department on 16 December 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0983725).</p> <p>No biennial submission of offset payments was required for the reporting period.</p>



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	<p><b>Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure</b> has been approved.</p> <p>c. The <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure</b> must include the information required by 11-5 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b> and the financial contributions that will be paid into the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> per hectare of <b>protected matter</b> habitat, as per the value described in Condition 8(e) of this approval for each <b>protected matter</b> and the schedule of contributions to be made over the <b>life of the approval</b>.</p> <p>d. Following receipt of the <b>DWER</b> notification of approval of the <b>Greater Paraburdoo Iron Ore Hub Proposal Impact Reconciliation Procedure</b> and prior to <b>commencement of the action</b>, the approval holder must make a payment of 10 per cent of the total contribution that may be paid into the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b>, which will contribute towards achieving the requirements of condition 8(a) of this approval.</p> <p>e. Make biennial payments to the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> based on <b>evidence</b> of the <b>actual clearing footprint</b> in accordance with the timing specified in condition 11-2 of the <b>Western Australian Approval</b>. Biennial payments must be equivalent to or greater than the value of the following amounts, by adjustment in accordance with the <b>CPI</b> from the date of this approval decision until the end of the year during which clearing was undertaken, of:</p> <p>i. A minimum of \$3,306 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of <b>critical habitat</b>.</p> <p>ii. A minimum of \$1,653 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of <b>supporting habitat</b>.</p> <p>f. Submit <b>evidence</b> of each payment made to the <b>Department</b> within 10 <b>business days</b> of the date of making the payment.</p> <p>g. Include details of progress towards, or achievement of, the outcomes specified under Condition 8(a) of this approval for the <b>Northern Quoll</b>, <b>Ghost Bat</b>, <b>Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b> in each <b>compliance report</b> submitted to the <b>Department</b>.</p>		

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9	Write to the <b>Minister</b> , within 10 <b>business days</b> of being aware or having concerns, that the offset outcomes specified for the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> project(s) may not be achieved for the <b>Northern Quoll, Ghost Bat, Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b> .	Not Applicable	The approval holder had no concerns regarding the offset outcomes specified for the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund during the reporting period.
10	<p>Should the <b>Minister</b> determine that the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> is likely to <b>fail</b> for one or more <b>protected matter(s)</b>, the <b>Minister</b> may write to the approval holder asking to provide evidence that <b>failure</b> has not occurred or is unlikely to occur and nominating a deadline by which this must be provided. If after considering any information provided by the approval holder:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Minister</b> determines that the <b>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</b> has <b>failed</b> for one or all species named in Condition 7 of this approval, the approval holder must submit for the <b>Minister's</b> approval, within 4 months of being notified by the <b>Minister</b>, an Offset Strategy consistent with the principles of the <b>Environmental Offsets Policy</b> to the satisfaction of the <b>Minister</b>.</li> <li>If the Offset Strategy has not been approved by the <b>Minister</b> in writing within 6 months of the notification by the <b>Minister</b> under condition 10(a) of this approval, and the <b>Minister</b> notifies the approval holder that the provided Offset Strategy is not suitable for approval, the <b>Minister</b> may, at least 2 months after so notifying the approval holder, approve a version of the Offset Strategy revised by the <b>Department</b>. The approval holder must commence implementation of the approved Offset Strategy within 2 months of the approval of the Offset Strategy by the <b>Minister</b> in writing, or another time as agreed in writing by the <b>Minister</b>. The approval holder must implement the approved Offset Strategy for the <b>life of the approval</b>.</li> <li>The Offset Strategy to be provided for the <b>Minister's</b> approval, if required by Condition 10(a) of this approval, must provide a framework for how the <b>residual significant impacts</b> from the approved action on the <b>Northern Quoll, Ghost Bat, Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat</b> and <b>Pilbara Olive Python</b> will be offset and must detail: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>how the strategy will achieve the outcomes required under condition 8(a) of this approval.</li> <li>how it accounts for relevant approved <b>conservation advices, recovery plans</b> and threat abatement plans;</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Not Applicable	No correspondence from the Minister regarding the performance of the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund was received during the reporting period.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iii. the party to be responsible for implementing the proposed offset(s).</li> <li>iv. the location and nature of the proposed offset(s).</li> <li>v. objectives, outcomes, and timeframes for their achievement.</li> <li>vi. budget.</li> <li>vii. performance and completion criteria for evaluating conservation outcomes.</li> <li>viii. project monitoring (with indicators and measures) capable of detecting progress towards and achievement of the required outcomes.</li> <li>ix. reporting of specified outputs/offset activities, progress towards and achievement of the required outcomes, and evaluation of appropriateness of measures implemented.</li> <li>x. a description of the potential risks to the successful implementation of each proposed offset (including but not limited to environmental, administrative, financial, and governance risks).</li> <li>xi. a description of the measures that will be implemented to mitigate risk associated with each proposed offset and a description of the <b>contingency actions</b> that will be implemented if performance or completion criteria are not met.</li> <li>xii. processes to adaptively manage the proposed offset.</li> <li>xiii. how the proposed offset is consistent with the <b>Environmental Offsets Policy</b>; and</li> <li>xiv. how the approval holder will ensure that the measures to be implemented as part of the Offsets Strategy have no detrimental <b>impact</b> on any <b>Matters of National Environmental Significance</b> under the <b>EPBC Act</b>.</li> </ul>		
11	The approval holder must notify the <b>Department</b> electronically of the date of <b>commencement of the action</b> , within 10 <b>business days</b> of <b>commencement of the action</b> .	Compliant	The Department was notified of the commencement of the action on 16 December 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0983725) within 10 business days of commencement of the action (14 December 2022).
12	If the <b>commencement of the action</b> does not occur within 5 years from the date of this approval, then the approval holder must not <b>commence the action</b> without the prior written agreement of the <b>Minister</b> .	Not Applicable	Action has commenced within 5 years from the date of approval.

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13	The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete <b>compliance records</b> .	Compliant	Records associated with or relevant to the conditions of this approval are maintained within the Rio Tinto Iron Ore Document Management System.
14	If the <b>Department</b> makes a request in writing, the approval holder must provide electronic copies of <b>compliance records</b> to the <b>Department</b> within the timeframe specified in the request.	Not applicable	No requests received during the reporting period.
15	The approval holder must ensure that any monitoring data (including sensitive ecological data), surveys, maps, and other spatial and meta data required under the conditions of this approval are prepared in accordance with the Department's Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data (2018), or any subsequent official version or as otherwise specified by the Minister in writing.	Not applicable	No monitoring data required to be submitted during the reporting period.
16	The approval holder must ensure that any <b>monitoring data</b> (including <b>sensitive ecological data</b> ), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under the conditions of this approval are prepared in accordance with the <b>Department's Guide to providing maps and boundary data for EPBC Act projects</b> (2021), or any subsequent official version or as otherwise specified by the <b>Minister</b> in writing.	Not applicable	No monitoring data required to be submitted during the reporting period.
17	The approval holder must submit all <b>monitoring data</b> (including <b>sensitive ecological data</b> ), surveys, maps, other spatial and metadata and all species occurrence record data (sightings and evidence of presence) electronically to the <b>Department</b> in accordance with the requirements of the <b>Environmental Management Plan</b> .	Not applicable	No monitoring data required to be submitted during the reporting period.
18	The approval holder must prepare a <b>compliance report</b> by 30 April 2023 addressing the period from the date of issue of this approval until 31 December 2022 and annually thereafter by each 30 April in respect of the preceding calendar year date, or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the <b>Minister</b> .	Not applicable	No annual compliance report was required to be submitted during the reporting period.
19	Each <b>compliance report</b> must be consistent with the <b>Department's Annual Compliance Report Guidelines</b> (2014), or any subsequent official version.	Not applicable	No annual compliance report was required to be submitted during the reporting period.
20	Each <b>compliance report</b> must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Accurate and complete details of compliance and any non-compliance with the conditions and the <b>plans</b>, and any <b>incidents</b>.</li> </ul>	Complaint	There were no incidents or non-compliances with the conditions or commitments during the reporting period.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One or more <b>shapefile</b> showing all <b>clearing</b> of any <b>protected matters</b>, and/or their habitat, undertaken within the 12-month period at the end of which that <b>compliance report</b> is prepared.</li> <li>- A schedule of all <b>plans</b> in existence in relation to these conditions and accurate and complete details of how each plan is being implemented.</li> </ul>		<p>No clearing of protected matter and/or their habitat was undertaken within the reporting period.</p> <p>The Greater Paraburdoo Environmental Management Plan was conditionally endorsed by the Minister on 11 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981208) and approved by DWER 15 November 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981203). An updated version of the EMP was submitted to the Department on 21 December 2022 (our ref: RTIO-0981192) and endorsed on 18 January 2023, outside the reporting period (Our ref: RTIO-0981202).</p> <p>Not all elements of the EMP were required to be implemented during the reporting period in this stage of the project.</p>
21	<p>The approval holder must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish each <b>compliance report</b> on the <b>website</b> by 30 April of each year immediately following the 12-month period for which that <b>compliance report</b> is required.</li> <li>Notify the <b>Department</b> electronically, within 7 <b>business days</b> of the date of publication that a <b>compliance report</b> has been published on the <b>website</b>.</li> <li>Provide the weblink for the <b>compliance report</b> in the notification to the <b>Department</b>.</li> <li>Keep all published <b>compliance reports</b> required by these conditions on the <b>website</b> until the expiry date of this approval.</li> <li>Exclude or redact <b>sensitive ecological data</b> from <b>compliance reports</b> published on the <b>website</b> or otherwise provided to a member of the public.</li> <li>If <b>sensitive ecological data</b> is excluded or redacted from the published version, submit the full <b>compliance report</b> to the <b>Department</b> within 5 <b>business days</b> of its publication on the <b>website</b> and notify the <b>Department</b> in writing what exclusions and redactions have been made in the version published on the website.</li> </ol>	Not applicable	Not applicable as no compliance report was due during the reporting period.

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22	The approval holder must notify the <b>Department</b> electronically, within 7 <b>business days</b> of becoming aware of any <b>incident</b> and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in a <b>plan</b> .	Not applicable	There were no incidents or non-compliances with the conditions or commitments during the reporting period.
23	The approval holder must specify in the notification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Any condition or commitment made in a <b>plan</b> which has been or may have been breached.</li> <li>b. A short description of the <b>incident</b> and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance.</li> <li>c. The location (including co-ordinates), date, and time of the <b>incident</b> and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance.</li> </ul>	Not applicable	There were no incidents or non-compliances with the conditions or commitments during the reporting period.
24	The approval holder must provide to the <b>Department</b> in writing, within 21 <b>business days</b> of becoming aware of any <b>incident</b> and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance, the details of that <b>incident</b> and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in a <b>plan</b> . The approval holder must specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Any corrective action or investigation which the approval holder has already taken</li> <li>b. The potential impacts of the <b>incident</b> and/or non-compliance</li> <li>c. The method and timing of any corrective action that will be undertaken by the approval holder.</li> </ul>	Not applicable	There were no incidents or non-compliances with the conditions or commitments during the reporting period.
25	The approval holder must ensure that an <b>independent audit</b> of compliance with the conditions is conducted for every five-year period following the <b>commencement of the Action</b> until this approval expires, unless otherwise specified in writing by the <b>Minister</b> .	Not applicable	There were no audits required during the reporting period.
26	For each <b>independent audit</b> , the approval holder must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Provide the name and qualifications of the nominated <b>independent auditor</b>, the draft audit criteria, and proposed timeframe for submitting the <b>audit report</b> to the <b>Department</b> prior to commencing the <b>independent audit</b>.</li> <li>b. Only commence the <b>independent audit</b> once the nominated <b>independent auditor</b>, audit criteria and timeframe for submitting the <b>audit report</b> have been approved in writing by the <b>Department</b>.</li> <li>c. Submit the <b>audit report</b> to the <b>Department</b> for approval within the timeframe specified and approved in writing by the <b>Department</b>.</li> </ul>	Not applicable	There were no audits required during the reporting period.

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	d. Publish each <b>audit report</b> on the <b>website</b> within 15 <b>business days</b> of the date of the <b>Department's</b> approval of the <b>audit report</b> . e. Keep every <b>audit report</b> published on the <b>website</b> until this approval expires.		
27	Each <b>audit report</b> must report for the five-year period preceding that <b>audit report</b> .	Not applicable	There were no audits required during the reporting period.
28	Each <b>audit report</b> must be completed to the satisfaction of the <b>Minister</b> and be consistent with the <b>Department's</b> <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Independent Audit and Audit Report Guidelines</i> (2019), or any subsequent official version.	Not applicable	There were no audits required during the reporting period.
29	The approval holder must notify the <b>Department</b> electronically 60 <b>business days</b> prior to the expiry date of this approval, that the approval is due to expire.	Not applicable	Approval not due to expire within 60 days.
30	Within 30 <b>business days</b> after the <b>completion of the Action</b> , and, in any event, before this approval expires, the approval holder must notify the <b>Department</b> electronically of the date of <b>completion of the Action</b> and provide <b>completion data</b> .	Not applicable	Action not completed.

### **3 New environmental risks**

There are no new environmental risks that have become apparent during the reporting period.



## 4 Declaration of accuracy

In making this declaration, I am aware that sections 490 and 491 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) make it an offence in certain circumstances to knowingly provide false or misleading information or documents. The offence is punishable on conviction by imprisonment or a fine, or both. I declare that all the information and documentation supporting this compliance report is true and correct in every particular. I am authorised to bind the approval holder to this declaration and that I have no knowledge of that authorisation being revoked at the time of making this declaration.

Signed:

Full name:

Position:

Organisation:

Date:

