



Application for Works Approval

Division 3, Part V *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Works Approval Number W6182/2018/1

Applicant Water Corporation

File Number DER2014/002924

Premises Beenyup Wastewater Treatment Plant
Lot 8278 on Plan 30778
Ocean Reef Road
CRAIGIE WA 6025

Date of Report 14 January 2019

Status of Report Final

1. Definitions of terms and acronyms

In this Decision Report, the terms in Table 1 have the meanings defined.

Table 1: Definitions

Term	Definition
Applicant	Water Corporation
Category/ Categories/ Cat.	Categories of Prescribed Premises as set out in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations
Decision Report	refers to this document.
Delegated Officer	an officer under section 20 of the EP Act.
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and designated as responsible for the administration of Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act.
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation As of 1 July 2017, the Department of Environment Regulation (DER), the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (OEPA) and the Department of Water (DoW) amalgamated to form the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER). DWER was established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and is responsible for the administration of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> along with other legislation.
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)</i>
EP Regulations	<i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA)</i>
Prescribed Premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Premises	refers to the premises to which this Decision Report applies, as specified at the front of this Decision Report.

2. Purpose and scope of assessment

Water Corporation (the Applicant) submitted an application to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) on the 10 October 2018 to construct and commission an Energy Recovery Facility within the Beenyup Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The Beenyup WWTP currently operates under licence number L7882/1992/14.

Table 1 details the Prescribed Premises Categories that have been applied for by the Applicant.

Table 2: Prescribed Premises Categories

Classification of Premises	Description	Approved premises production throughput
Category 54	Sewage Facility: premises on which sewage is treated (excluding septic tanks); or from which treated sewage is discharged onto land or into waters.	135 ML/day

The Applicant was previously granted a Works Approval (W5809/2015/1) for the same proposal on 9 April 2014 which expired on 12 April 2018. The Applicant did not commence any works prior to the expiry date, and due to administrative error did not contact the Department to extend the works approval until after the expiry.

No changes have been proposed from the previous works approval application and therefore the Delegated Officer considers that the previous assessment and works approval remain appropriate for the proposal and a new assessment is not required. The previous Works Approval W5809/2015/1 and the associated decision report is included in Attachment 1.

3. Consultation

The Application was advertised on DWER's website for a 21 day public comment period concluding on the 12 December 2018. No comments were received.

The Application was referred to the City of Joondalup for comment. The City responded on the 3 December 2018 and did not raise any concerns regarding the application.

4. Decision

The Works Approval will be issued with the same conditions as W5809/2015/1. No changes have been made except for:

- a) new issue, commencement and expiry dates;
- b) references to the Department of Environment Regulation have been updated to Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; and
- c) DWER CEO contact details have been updated.

5. Applicant's Comments

The Applicant was provided with the draft Decision Report and draft Works Approval on 24 December 2018. The Applicant provided comments on the 9 January 2019. The Applicant requested minor wording changes related to Table 1.2.1 (referencing the 2018 application documents instead of the 2014 documents) and updating wording in Table 3.1.1 to be consistent with Table 2.1.1. The Applicant also requested that condition 1.2.3 be updated to allow commissioning up to 6 months instead of 4 to ensure sufficient time. The Delegated Officer accepted all changes.

Conclusion

Based on this assessment, it has been determined that the Works Approval (Attachment 2) will be granted subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

Lauren Fox
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REGULATORY SERVICES

Delegated Officer
under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Attachment 1: Previous Works Approval and Decision Report W5809/2015/1

Attachment 2: Issued Works Approval W6182/2018/1
