

# **Decision Report**

# **Application for Works Approval**

## Division 3, Part V Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval Number W6239/2019/1

Applicant Winsek Pty Ltd

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**Premises** Gemec Environmental Consultants

353 Pye Road, Mt Adams

Part of Lot 4 on Deposited Plan 13178

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# 1. Definitions of terms and acronyms

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

**Table 1: Definitions** 

Term	Definition	
ACN	Australian Company Number	
AS4482.1	Means the Australian Standard AS4482.1-2005 Guide to the sampling and investigation of potentially contaminated soil – Non-volatile and semi-volatile substances	
AS4482.2	Means the Australian Standard AS 4482.2-1999 Guide to the sampling and investigation of potentially contaminated soil – Volatile substances	
Category/ Categories/ Cat.	Categories of Prescribed Premises as set out in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations	
CS Act	Contaminated Sites Act 2003 (WA)	
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.	
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority	
EP Act	Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)	
EP Regulations	Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA)	
Works Approval Holder	Winsek Pty Ltd	
m³	cubic metres	

Minister	the Minister responsible for the EP Act and associated regulations	
NEPM	National Environmental Protection Measure	
Noise Regulations	Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997 (WA)	
Occupier	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
PM	Particulate Matter	
PM <sub>10</sub>	used to describe particulate matter that is smaller than 10 microns (µm) in diameter	
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	
Primary Activities	as defined in Schedule 2 of the Revised Licence	
Risk Event	As described in Guidance Statement: Risk Assessment	
UDR	Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004 (WA)	
μg/m³	micrograms per cubic metre	
μg/L	micrograms per litre	

# 2. Purpose and scope of assessment

An application for Works Approval (*Application*) was received from Winsek Pty Ltd (*Applicant*) to establish a bioremediation pad and inert landfill located within Lot 4 (353) Pye Road, Mt Adams (*Premises*).

This **Decision Report** presents an assessment of potential environmental and public health risks from emissions and discharges from the construction and operation of the Premises.

# 2.1 Application details

Table 2 lists the documents submitted during the assessment process.

Table 2: Documents and information submitted during the assessment process

Document/information description	Date received
DWER Application Form including following supporting information:  1. Attachment 1A – Certificate of Title and memorandum of understanding;  2. Shire of Irwin – Application for development approval;  3. Attachment 1B – ASICS Company Extract;  4. Attachment 2 – Premises maps, Access & boundary map; site layout map  5. Attachment 3A – Proposed Bioremediation Facility & Waste Drilling Mud Internment activities  6. Attachments - Stabilised Waste Drilling Mud analytical results;  7. Proposed fee calculation - cost breakdown	13 March 2019
information  Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received.  Physical business address provided.	13 June 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received.  Pond dimensions and calculations provided.	19 June 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received. Revised boundary map provided	27 June 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received.  Historical Environmental Investigation summary provided	1 July 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received. Historical Environmental Investigation summary provided	3 July 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received.  Monitoring well specifications provided	4 July 2019
Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Revised boundary map received.	6 November 2019

# 3. Background

On 13 March 2019, Winsek Pty Ltd submitted an application for a works approval under the EP Act for a bioremediation pad to remediate Class II and Class III hydrocarbon contaminated soil for re-use as an infill material and an inert landfill for the internment of waste drilling mud (Inert waste type 1) into cells within an existing depression resulting from historical sand extraction activities at the site. The delegated Officer considered that all the information provided as part of the Application was sufficient to validate and commence with the risk assessment. Further information was subsequently requested by DWER and provided on 13 June 2019, 19 June 2019, 27 June 2019, 1 July 2019, 3 July 2019 and 4 July 2019 by the Applicant

The proposed location for the bioremediation pad is an existing gravel hardstand area in the nearby vicinity of the proposed internment area. Prior to sand extraction activities and establishment of gravel hardstand, the rea was used as pasture for dryland cropping. Both operations will be will be carried out within the north-western portion of lot 4.

Table 3 lists the prescribed premises categories that have been applied for.

**Table 3: Prescribed Premises Categories in the Existing Licence** 

Classification of Premises	Description	Approved Premises production or design capacity or throughput
Category 61A	Solid waste facility: premises (other than premises within category 67A) on which solid waste produced on other premises is stored, reprocessed, treated, or discharged onto land	4000 tonnes per year
Category 63	Class I inert landfill site: premises on which waste (as determined by reference to the waste type set out in the document entitled "Landfill Waste Classification and Waste Definitions 1996" published by the Chief Executive Officer and as amended from time to time) is accepted for burial.	8000 tonnes per year

### 4. Overview of Premises

## 4.1 Operational aspects

The following information in relation to the premises has been summarised from the application.

#### **Bioremediation**

- The proposed bioremediation process is via land farming, a biological process which
  uses naturally occurring micro-organisms, such as bacteria and fungi to eliminate,
  attenuate or transform polluting or contaminating substances in soils;
- The process involves the spreading of excavated contaminated soils in a thin layer, followed by the stimulation of aerobic microbial activity within the soils via aeration and/or the addition of minerals, nutrients and moisture;
- The aeration of petroleum hydrocarbon impacted soils will be attained predominantly via periodic tilling, with the material irrigated predominantly via rainfall;
- The requirement for supplementary irrigation will be determined by the nature of the impacted soil, frequency or rainfall and time constraints for the completion of the

bioremediation process; and

 Any further chemical or microbial requirements will be based on the nature and extent of contamination.

#### Landfill

- The source of material intended for internment is waste drilling mud and drill cuttings material recovered during conventional gas well installation in the Shire of Irwin;
- The waste material is stored on-site in plastic lined retention ponds following the drilling process and pending disposal;
- To ensure the drilling mud and cuttings material is spadeable for transportation and internment, the material will be dried (muds have undergone a drying process of between one and four years) and subsequently mixed with insitu soil prior to transportation;
- Each volume of inert waste received at the facility (estimated to be 2,000m³) will be interned within an existing depression resulting from historical sand extraction activities:
- Sufficient existing soil will be cut-back from the burial area for subsequent capping;
- Following internment, apply and compact 0.2 m of gravel capping to the upper surface
  of the buried material at a minimum gradient of 5% and extending laterally to at least
  one metre beyond the outer extents of the waste cell;
- Reinstate approximately one metre of cut-back soil as the final cap over the compacted gravel layer appropriate for the future pasture use; and
- Level cell with surrounding landscape as required maintaining at least approximately one metre of cover over each cell.

### 4.2 Infrastructure

The Applicants infrastructure, as it relates to Category 61A and 63 activities, is detailed in Table 4 and with reference to the Site Plan (attached in the Works Approval).

Table 4 lists infrastructure associated with each prescribed premises category.

Table 4: Gemec facility Category 61A and 63 infrastructure

	Infrastructure	Site Plan Reference	
	Prescribed Activity Category 61A		
Biore	Bioremediation to treat petroleum hydrocarbon impacted soils		
1	Compacted gravel hardstand base (minimum 300 mm) with a permeability of no greater than 1x10 <sup>-9</sup> m/s and minimum 2% drainage gradient to ensure the free drainage of all leachate to leachate collection infrastructure		
2	impervious (1x10 <sup>-9</sup> m/s) 500mm kerb bunding around the perimeter of the bioremediation pad and leachate pond	Site plan	
3	Infrastructure for the collection of leachate	Site plan	
4	Leachate pond	Site plan	
	Prescribed Activity Category 63		

	Infrastructure	Site Plan Reference	
	internment of waste drilling mud and drill cuttings material recovered during conventional gas well installation within an existing depression resulting from historical sand extraction activities		
1	5 inert landfill cells approximately 25m x 25m x 3m in dimension	Site plan	
2	5 m gap between each cell	Site plan	
3	A monitoring bore		
4	4 Sufficient soil and gravel cover Site plan		
5	Trucks to transport capping material	NA	
6	Machinery used for capping and excavation	NA	
7	Front End Loader	NA	

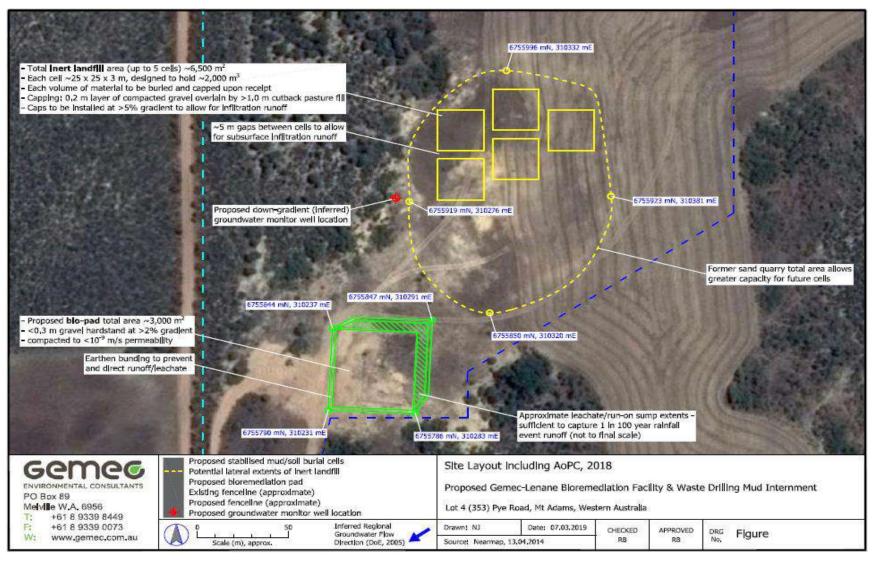


Figure 1: Proposed site layout

## 4.3 Exclusions to the Premises

The Hovea Oil and Gas Production Facility and Xris Gas Production Facility (Environmental Licence: L7847/2003/7) which are also located on Lot 4 (refer to map below) is not within the scope of this assessment.

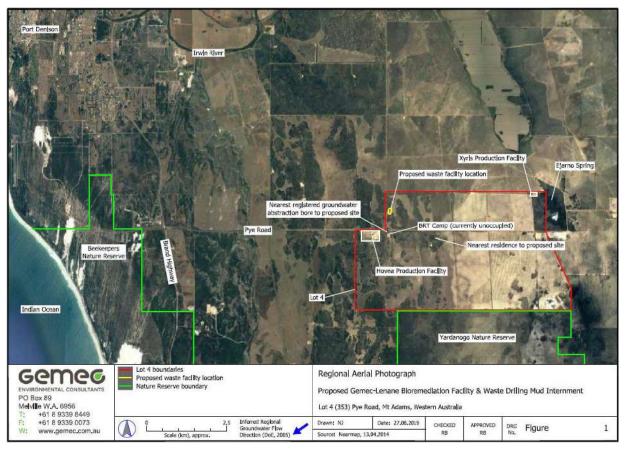


Figure 2: Showing oil and gas production site on lot 4

### 4.4 Contaminated sites

This site was reported to the Department of Environment Regulation (DER) as per reporting obligations under section 11 of the 'Contaminated Sites Act 2003' (the Act), which commenced on 1 December 2006. The site has been classified under section 13 of the Act based on information submitted to DWER by November 2014.

The site was reported because oil exploration drilling operations were carried out at these locations over the period 2001-2007. The general practice at the time was to dispose of the drilling mud materials on site in adjacent mud sumps. Drilling mud sumps were dug into the soil (approximate size 5 metres x 7 metres x 2 metres), and utilised to evaporate liquids from drilling muds and drill cuttings removed from the well bore.

Drilling muds and cuttings have previously been contained and buried at the proposed landfill site known as Hovea-02 (H-02). The H-02 soil sample results had exceeded Environmental Investigation Level (EIL) guidelines but they were within the Landfill Waste Classification and Waste Definitions (1996) levels. The drilling sump was constructed in a manner of a class 1 landfill, with muds buried to a depth of greater than two metres.

One of the sumps on lot 4, known as 'Hovea 11', was ranked as the highest-risk sump amongst those present at this site. This sump is understood to have received the drill muds and cutting from multiple well sites, including oil production wells. In 2014, an investigation

was carried out to characterise the soils and drilling mud residues within the Hovea 11 sump. No potential contaminants were detected within the soils of the sump above the relevant assessment criteria. On the basis of these investigations it was concluded that this site posed no unacceptable risk to the environment, human health or any environmental value. Investigation found that no contamination is present and there are no restrictions on use applicable to the site. The mud pits shown in pink below was classified by the contaminated sites regulation team as *not contaminated – unrestricted use*.

As such, the former mud sumps and associated sandpit on lot 4 are considered suitable for "General Farming", as per the Shire of Irwin's Local Planning Scheme No. 5, as the drill muds are not considered to pose a risk to either human health or the environment.

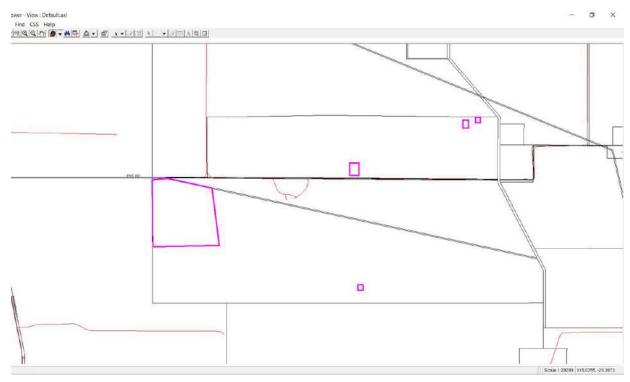


Figure 3: Showing mud pits on lot 4

## 4.5 Other relevant approvals

#### 4.5.1 Planning approvals

The Shire of Irwin granted an approval to commence development for the works on 1 May 2019.

#### 4.6 Part V of the EP Act

## 4.6.1 Applicable regulations, standards and guidelines

The overarching legislative framework of this assessment is the EP Act and EP Regulations.

The guidance statements which inform this assessment are:

- Guidance Statement: Regulatory Principles (July 2015)
- Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions (October 2015)
- Guidance Statement: Land Use Planning (February 2017)

- Guidance Statement: Licence Duration (August 2016)
- Guidance Statement: Decision Making (February 2017)
- Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments (February 2017)
- Guidance Statement: Environmental Siting (November 2016)

## 4.6.2 Works approval and licence history

Table 5 summarises the works approval and licence history for the premises.

Table 5: Works approval and licence history

Instrument	Issued	Nature and extent of works approval, licence or amendment
W6239/2019/1	ТВА	New works approval for category 61A (solid waste facility) and category 63 (Class I inert landfill)

### 5. Consultation

The application for a Works Approval was referred to the Shire of Irwin on 16 July 2019. The Application was also advertised for public comment in The West Australian newspaper on 17 June 2019.

Comments received from the Shire of Irwin are summarised below.

#### 5.1.1 Shire of Irwin

Provisions relevant to DWER's assessment include:

"The Shire would also like further assurances that, due to the nature of chemicals/substances found in drilling mud, conditions are applied to the licence which require;

- the potential future environmental impacts of the contaminated muds deposited into the landfill and remediation measures if any which would be implemented if required (e.g. from leaching of the chemicals);
- 2. the Landfill management plan to describe to the satisfaction of the Agency how any potential future environmental impact will be managed in perpetuity, with whom that responsibility will lie and what legal instrument will be used to confirm that responsibility.
- 3. Proponent states that they will be conducting one final groundwater monitoring assessment prior to decommissioning around two years after cessation of onsite operations, to assess whether the groundwater has been contaminated by the buried material. This is considered to be inadequate and there should be regular ongoing assessments over a suitable (say up to 10 year) period to confirm that no contamination has or is occurring".

# 6. Location and siting

## 6.1 Siting context

The facility is located approximately 360 kilometres (km) north of Perth and 12km southeast of the Dongara, Western Australia.

The following information in relation to site location has been summarised from the application:

 The proposed location for the waste drilling mud internment cells is a topographical depression within lot 4 (353 Pye Rd);

- The depression is a result of historical sand quarrying between 2002 and 2012;
- The proposed location for the bio-pad is an existing gravel hardstand area in the nearby vicinity of the proposed internment area;
- Both proposed facility locations are within the north-western portion of Lot 4; and
- The total combined area to be fenced off containing both proposed facilities is approximately 96,200m<sup>2</sup>.

#### 6.2 Residential and sensitive Premises

The distances to residential and sensitive receptors are detailed in Table 6.

Table 6: Receptors and distance from activity boundary

Sensitive Land Uses	Distance from Prescribed Activity
BRT Camp- currently not in use	Nearest accommodation is approximately 700m south from the proposed facilities within the same lot
Residential premises	Approximately 1.6 km from the facilities
Residential premises	Approximately 2.8 km from the facilities

## 6.3 Specified ecosystems

Specified ecosystems are areas of high conservation value and special significance that may be impacted as a result of activities at or Emissions and Discharges from the Premises. The distances to specified ecosystems are shown in Table 7. Table 7 also identifies the distances to other relevant ecosystem values which do not fit the definition of a specified ecosystem.

The table has also been modified to align with the Guidance Statement: Environmental Siting.

**Table 7: Environmental values** 

Specified ecosystems	Distance from the Premises
Ejarno Spring	Approximately 5.1 k m to the east
Yardanogo Nature Reserve	Approximately 3 km to the south

#### 6.4 Groundwater and water sources

The distances to groundwater and water sources are shown in Table 8.

**Table 8: Groundwater and water sources** 

Groundwater and water sources	Distance from Premises	Environmental value
Public drinking water source areas	11 km to the north	Allanooka-Dongara Water Reserve
Groundwater	Depth to groundwater encountered at approximately 60m below ground level (based on SWL information from the Hovea Production Facility).  Three registered groundwater	Groundwater recharge at the site is likely to be mainly direct infiltration from rainfall and upward groundwater flow from the underlying Yarragadee

operations. The negistered bore is	proposed known water nshore oil and gas ext nearest  The assumed groundwater flow direction for the site is west-southwest based on groundwater by drolled includes the control of the state of the control of the state of the control of the state of the control o
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## 6.5 Soil type

Table 9 details soil types and characteristics relevant to the assessment.

Table 9: Soil and sub-soil characteristics

Groundwater and water sources	Distance from Premises	Environmental Value
Soil type classification	The site is underlain by the shallow Superficial aquifer of the Swan Coastal Plain, consisting predominantly of Tamala Limestone within the vicinity of the site, with potential surficial lenses of Bassendean Sand.	The site currently consists of pasture land and has been used for broad scale dryland cereal cropping.

## 6.6 Meteorology

## 6.6.1 Wind direction and strength

Wind speed and wind direction are important factors influencing the pathway of emissions. It effects noise propagation and transport of fugitive dust. The closest available wind data for the area can be sourced from the Mingenew weather station (number 008088). The Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) provides the 9am and 3pm wind speed and direction for Mingenew weather station. Prevailing winds are to the east, north and south easterly in the mornings, and to the west, south easterly and south westerly in the afternoons.

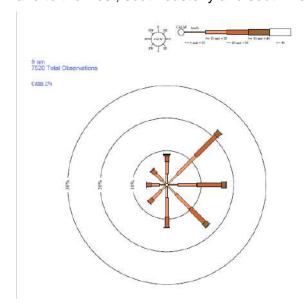


Figure 3: Mingenew weather station 9 am average wind speed and direction showing bias to easterly and south easterly winds

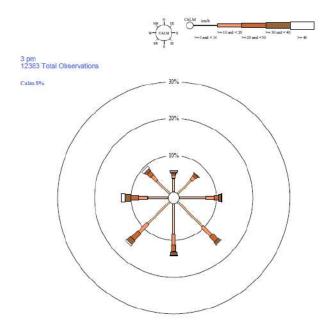
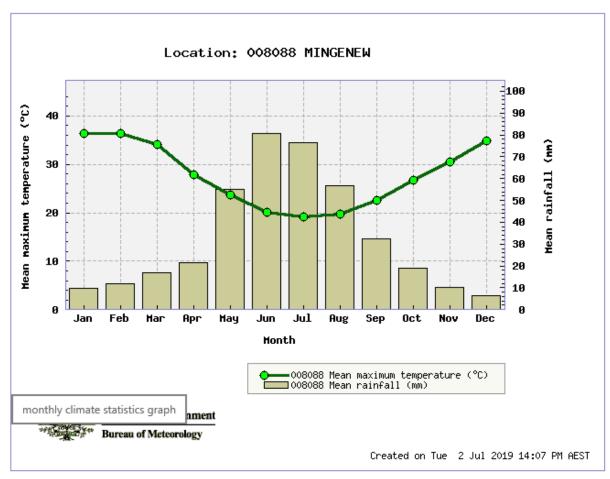


Figure 4: Mingenew weather station 3 pm average wind speed and direction showing

## 6.6.2 Rainfall and temperature



## 7. Risk assessment

## 7.1 Determination of emission, pathway and receptor

In undertaking its risk assessment, DWER will identify all potential emissions pathways and potential receptors to establish whether there is a Risk Event which requires detailed risk assessment.

To establish a Risk Event there must be an emission, a receptor which may be exposed to that emission through an identified actual or likely pathway, and a potential adverse effect to the receptor from exposure to that emission. Where there is no actual or likely pathway and/or no receptor, the emission will be screened out and will not be considered as a Risk Event. In addition, where an emission has an actual or likely pathway and a receptor which may be adversely impacted, but that emission is regulated through other mechanisms such as Part IV of the EP Act, that emission will not be risk assessed further and will be screened out through Table 11.

The identification of the sources, pathways and receptors to determine Risk Events are set out in Tables 10 and 11 below.

Table 10. Identification of emissions, pathway and receptors during construction

	Risk Events						Reasoning
Source	Sources/Activities Potential emissions		Potential receptors	Potential pathway	Potential adverse impacts	detailed risk assessment	
	Vehicle movements on unsealed access	Noise	No residences in close proximity. BRT Camp located approximately 700m from the facility, currently not	700m Air/wind	Amenity and health impacts	No	Noise regulations apply  The Delegated Officer considers that any noise impacts that may arise can be regulated under the provisions of the Noise Regulations.
Construction, mobilisation and positioning of infrastructure	roads	Dust	in use.		Amenity and health impacts	No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.
	Construction of five inert landfill cells and a bioremediation pad	Noise	No residences in close proximity. BRT Camp located approximately 700m from the facility, currently not in use.	Air / wind dispersion	Amenity and health impacts	No	Noise regulations apply  The Delegated Officer considers that any noise impacts that may arise can be regulated under the provisions of the Noise Regulations.

	Risk Events					Continue to detailed risk	Reasoning
SOURCES/ACTIVITIES		Potential emissions	Potential receptors	Potential pathway	Potential adverse impacts	assessment	
		Dust	No residences in close proximity. BRT Camp located approximately 700m from the facility, currently not in use.		Amenity and health impacts	No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.

Table 11: Identification of emissions, pathway and receptors during operation

	Risk Events						Reasoning
Sources	Sources/Activities Potential emissions		Potential receptors Potential pathway		Potential adverse impacts	detailed risk assessment	
	Waste acceptance and Vehicle movement	Dust			Amenity and health impacts	No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.
		Noise	No residences in close proximity. BRT Camp located approximately 700m from the facility, currently not in use.	Air / wind	Amenity and health impacts	No	Noise regulations apply  The Delegated Officer considers that any noise impacts that may arise can be regulated under the provisions of the Noise Regulations.
Bioremediation activity	Bioremediation	Odour: associated with solid waste storage and treatment	age nent d	dispersion	Amenity and health impacts	No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.
		Dust: associated with solid waste storage and treatment				No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.
		Leachate: Seepage to groundwater or overland flow of leachate	Surrounding land, Groundwater – depth approximately 60m and surface water drainage system	Overland flow, soil, surface water drainage and seepage into groundwater	Surrounding land and groundwater contamination impacting upon dependent vegetation	Yes refer to section 7.4	Potential for soil and groundwater contamination inhibiting vegetation growth and temporary loss of habitat

	Risk Events					Continue to detailed risk	Reasoning
Sources/Activities		Potential emissions	Potential receptors	Potential pathway	Potential adverse impacts	assessment	
		High contaminants- Disposal/ reuse post remediation	Contamination of disposal area	Direct Discharge- Contaminant present in remediated soil	Health Impacts, surrounding land and groundwater contamination impacting upon dependent vegetation	Yes refer to section 7.5	Unauthorised discharges
	Waste disposal and Vehicle movement	Dust		Air / wind dispersion	Amenity and health impacts	No	The Delegated Officer considers that the provisions of section 49 of the EP Act is sufficient to regulate dust emissions during construction.
Landfilling activity	Waste disposal and Vehicle movement	Noise	No residences in close proximity. BRT Camp located approximately 700m from the facility, currently not in use.		Amenity and health impacts	No	Noise regulations apply  The Delegated Officer considers that any noise impacts that may arise can be regulated under the provisions of the Noise Regulations.
Landfilling activity	Covering and compacting cells when full	Noise		Air / wind dispersion	Amenity and health impacts	No	Noise regulations apply  The Delegated Officer considers that any noise impacts that may arise can be regulated under the provisions of the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997.
	Disposal of Inert waste	Leachate	Groundwater	Direct discharge to land and potential seepage to groundwater	Reduction in groundwater quality impacting upon dependent vegetation	Yes refer to section 7.4	Potential for soil and groundwater contamination inhibiting vegetation growth and temporary loss of habitat

# 7.2 Consequence and likelihood of risk events

A risk rating will be determined for risk events in accordance with the risk rating matrix set out in Table 12 below.

Table 12: Risk rating matrix

Likelihood	Consequence					
	Slight	Minor	Moderate	Major	Severe	
Almost certain	Medium	High	High	Extreme	Extreme	
Likely	Medium	Medium	High	High	Extreme	
Possible	Low	Medium	Medium	High	Extreme	
Unlikely	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	
Rare	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	High	

DWER will undertake an assessment of the consequence and likelihood of the Risk Event in accordance with Table 13 below.

Table 13: Risk criteria table

Likelihood		Consequence				
_	criteria has been	The following criteria has been used to determine the consequences of a Risk Event occurring:				
used to determine the likelihood of the Risk Event occurring.			Environment	Public health* and amenity (such as air and water quality, noise, and odour)		
Almost Certain	The risk event is expected to occur in most circumstances	Severe	onsite impacts: catastrophic     offsite impacts local scale: high level     or above     offsite impacts wider scale: mid-level     or above     Mid to long-term or permanent impact to     an area of high conservation value or     special significance^     Specific Consequence Criteria (for     environment) are significantly exceeded	Loss of life     Adverse health effects: high level or ongoing medical treatment     Specific Consequence Criteria (for public health) are significantly exceeded     Local scale impacts: permanent loss of amenity		
Likely	The risk event will probably occur in most circumstances	Major	onsite impacts: high level     offsite impacts local scale: mid-level     offsite impacts wider scale: low level     Short-term impact to an area of high conservation value or special significance^     Specific Consequence Criteria (for environment) are exceeded	Adverse health effects: mid-level or frequent medical treatment     Specific Consequence Criteria (for public health) are exceeded     Local scale impacts: high level impact to amenity		
Possible	The risk event could occur at some time	Moderate	onsite impacts: mid-level     offsite impacts local scale: low level     offsite impacts wider scale: minimal     Specific Consequence Criteria (for environment) are at risk of not being met	Adverse health effects: low level or occasional medical treatment     Specific Consequence Criteria (for public health) are at risk of not being met     Local scale impacts: mid-level impact to amenity		
Unlikely	The risk event will probably not occur in most circumstances	Minor	onsite impacts: low level     offsite impacts local scale: minimal     offsite impacts wider scale: not detectable     Specific Consequence Criteria (for environment) likely to be met	Specific Consequence Criteria (for public health) are likely to be met     Local scale impacts: low level impact to amenity		
Rare	The risk event may only occur in exceptional circumstances	Slight	onsite impact: minimal     Specific Consequence Criteria (for environment) met	Local scale: minimal to amenity     Specific Consequence Criteria (for public health) met		

<sup>^</sup> Determination of areas of high conservation value or special significance should be informed by the *Guidance Statement:* Environmental Siting.

\* In applying public health criteria, DWER may have regard to the Department of Health's *Health Risk Assessment (Scoping)* 

## 7.3 Acceptability and treatment of Risk Event

DWER will determine the acceptability and treatment of Risk Events in accordance with the Risk treatment table 14 below:

Table 14: Risk treatment table

Rating of Risk Event	Acceptability	Treatment
Extreme	Unacceptable.	Risk Event will not be tolerated. DWER may refuse application.
High	May be acceptable. Subject to multiple regulatory controls.	Risk Event may be tolerated and may be subject to multiple regulatory controls. This may include both outcome-based and management conditions.
Medium	Acceptable, generally subject to regulatory controls.	Risk Event is tolerable and is likely to be subject to some regulatory controls. A preference for outcome-based conditions where practical and appropriate will be applied.
Low	Acceptable, generally not controlled.	Risk Event is acceptable and will generally not be subject to regulatory controls.

# 7.4 Risk Assessment – Leachate and contaminated runoff (Operations)

### 7.4.1 Description of Risk Event

Waste deposited at the Premises has the potential to generate leachate. Leachate may result in contamination of soil, surface water and the groundwater. Rainfall may come into contact with waste, causing run-off and overland flow of contaminated stormwater to neighbouring properties and surface water. The proposed activities represents a significant potential for leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff generation if managed incorrectly.

## 7.4.2 Identification and general characterisation of emission

Stormwater may become contaminated if it comes into contact with waste material at the Premises. Leachate is formed from the infiltration of water (e.g. from rainfall) into the landfill and also from the moisture content of the waste itself. The proposed bioremediation process will involve the addition of water via rainfall. The requirement for supplementary irrigation will be determined by the nature of the impacted soil and the frequency of rainfall.

Leachates can be acidic, especially when they are generated under anaerobic conditions. They can cause the dissolution of metals and therefore metallic compounds may be present.

The sources of leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff at the Premises include:

- Landfill cells
- Leachate collection system
- Leachate pond; and

<sup>&</sup>quot;onsite" means within the Prescribed Premises boundary.

#### Bioremediation pad

## 7.4.3 Description of potential adverse impact from the emission

Contaminated storm water and leachates from the proposed operation have the potential to pollute groundwater, surface water bodies and may cause contamination of the surrounding land. They may contain elevated metals other hazardous chemicals and can be high in nutrients; which makes it a favourable host media for harmful microorganisms. Stockpiles of raw materials and processed materials have the potential to pollute because leachate may be generated when the stockpiled materials contain excessive moisture.

#### 7.4.4 Criteria for assessment

ANZECC and ARMCANZ, 2000 provide recommended trigger values for environmental water quality and the Assessment and management of contaminated sites provides ecological and human health assessment levels for soil.

Impacts to groundwater can also be assessed against the Non-Portable Use Guidelines (DoH, 2014).

Investigation levels for soil and ground water can be assessed against National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure (as amended 2013).

## 7.4.5 **Applicant controls**

This assessment has reviewed the controls set out in Table 15 below.

Table 15: Applicant's proposed controls for Leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff

Site infrastructure	Description	Operation details	Reference to issued licence plan (Schedule 1)						
Controls for lea	Controls for leachate and contaminated runoff								
Inert Landfill cells	<ol> <li>Prior to internment, the applicant will test the materials to ensure contaminants are within the Class 1 inert landfill levels.</li> <li>The application details that the waste material is predominantly composed of bentonite clay, plant cellulose and various salts with a very low leachability and mobility, and its alkalinity limits dissolution of metals from the material</li> </ol>		Site Plan						
	the material. 3) The application states that sufficient existing soi will be cut back from the burial area for capping. 4) The application states that 0.2m of gravel capping will applied and compact to the upper	Sludge and sediment removed from the pond annually or retreated.  A groundwater monitoring program will be established during the operation							

Site infrastructure	Description	Operation details	Reference to issued licence plan (Schedule 1)
Bioremediation pad	surface of the buried material at a minimum gradient of 5% and extending to at least one metre beyond the outer extents of the waste cell.  5) Approximately one metre of cut-back soil will be used as the final cap over the compacted gravel layer, appropriate for future pasture use.  6) The cap will be used to reduce the amount of water ingress into the landfill during winter periods when rainfall frequency is much higher.  1) To prevent infiltration of leachate from the bioremediation process into the underlying soil	of the landfill and the bioremediation pad to assess whether the internment of stabilised drilling mud and cuttings have resulted in impacts to the underlying groundwater quality.  The groundwater monitoring will be conducted biennially during the operation of the landfill.	
	profile, the bioremediation activities will be conducted on an existing compacted gravel hardstand pad at the site.  2) The pad will be penetration tested to ensure a maximum vertical seepage velocity of 1x10-9 and the final surface gradient of 2%.  3) 500mm kerb bunding will be installed around the perimeter of the bioremediation pad		
Leachate pond and leachate collection infrastructure	1) Will be constructed of gravel hardstand >0.2 m in depth, compacted to achieve a vertical seepage velocity 1x10 <sup>-9</sup> m/s.		
	2) 500mm kerb bunding will be installed to ensure leachate/run-on is directed toward the retention pond and to prevent off-site runoff from entering.		
	3) Capacity to store a 72- hour duration, 1 in 20 year ARI critical rainfall		

Site infrastructure	Description	Operation details	Reference to issued licence plan (Schedule 1)
	event without overflow.		
	4) The water level in the leachate pond will be maintained at 0.5m deep at all times. 500mm freeboard level at all time.		

## 7.4.6 **Key findings**

# The Delegated Officer has reviewed the information regarding leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff and has found:

- 1. Detailed plans or specifications of the proposed works were not provided in the application therefore design and performance specifications have been set as a requirement in the works approval- condition 1.
- 2. That all leachate collection infrastructure and leachate dams on the premises will be designed to contain a 1 in 20 year 72 hour ARI rainfall event, which provides a suitable level of containment for the risk of leachate/runoff impacts.
- 3. Depth to groundwater is approximately 60m below ground level.
- 4. The landfill cells will have approximately 5 metre gap to allow for subsurface infiltration runoff.
- 5. That the cells will be capped and therefore infiltration of rain water will not be possible.
- 6. That leaching through the underlying soil profile and erosion of overlying soil are prevented by the capping of the material
- 7. The bioremediation pad will be bunded to retain any run off from the hardstand prior to discharge into the leachate pond.
- 8. A bioremediation management plan and an Environmental management plan should be prepared for all bioremediation processes.
- 9. All waste subjected to bioremediation process must be covered in the event of extreme wind events to prevent or limit emissions of vapours or particle matter and to prevent the escape of leachate or other substances.

### 7.4.7 Consequence

If Leachate and contaminated runoff risk event occurs, then the Delegated Officer has determined that the impact of leachate and contaminated runoff will be most likely limited to on-site impacts at a low level. Therefore, the Delegated Officer considers the consequence to be **minor**.

### 7.4.8 Likelihood of Risk Event

The Delegated Officer has determined that based upon the proposed infrastructure and management actions the likelihood of Leachate and contaminated runoff risk event occurring will be unlikely. Therefore, the Delegated Officer considers the likelihood to be **unlikely**.

### 7.4.9 Overall rating of leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff

The Delegated Officer has compared the consequence and likelihood ratings described above with the risk rating matrix (Table 13) and determined that the overall rating for the risk of Leachate and contaminated runoff risk event is **medium**.

## 7.5 Risk Assessment – Elevated contaminant level postremediation

### 7.5.1 **Description of Risk Event**

Proper remediation of hydrocarbon contaminated soil is a necessity in order to have a safe and healthy environment. The bioremediation activities can also impact the surrounding soil matrix.

### 7.5.2 Identification and general characterisation of emission

Petroleum is composed of hundreds or thousands of aliphatic, branched and aromatic hydrocarbons and other organic compounds. Many of them are toxic to humans, animals and vegetation. The timeframe for bioremediation is often case-specific. Treatment is only complete when targets have been achieved, or it can be demonstrated that the chemicals of concern do not pose a risk to human health or the environment.

#### 7.5.3 Description of potential adverse impact from the emission

Soil contaminated with petroleum can represent a hazard to human and ecological health and causes environmental problems as well. Some petroleum hydrocarbon components have been known to belong to the family of carcinogens and neurotoxic organic pollutants

#### 7.5.4 Criteria for assessment

The suitability of bioremediated soils for re-use as a resource can be assessed in accordance with appropriate criteria eg. the requirements of the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of site Contamination) Measure 1999.

### 7.5.5 Applicant controls

This assessment has reviewed the controls set out in Table 16 below.

Table 16: Applicant's proposed controls for elevated contaminant levels postremediation

Site infrastructure	Description	Operation details	Reference to issued licence plan (Schedule 1)
Elevated contain	minant levels		
Bioremediation of Class 2 and 3 petroleum hydrocarbon impacted soils	1) As the facility is to receive petroleum hydrocarbon impacted soils for treatment, the soil assessments will predominantly target associated CoPC such as:  • Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes and naphthalene (BTEXN);	Infrastructure on site will be maintained in good condition. The bio-pad will be established and operated in conformance with DWER licencing requirements and the NSW EPA Landfarming Best	Site Plan

Site infrastructure	Description	Operation details	Reference to issued licence plan (Schedule 1)
	<ul> <li>Total recoverable hydrocarbon (TRH) fractions in the C6-C40 range;</li> <li>Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); and</li> <li>Phenolic compounds (phenols).</li> <li>Prior to commencement and following final decommissioning, soil assessments will be conducted to obtain baseline and validation soil chemical data to determine whether bioremediation activities have impacted the surrounding soil matrix.</li> </ul>	Practice Note (2014),	

## 7.5.6 **Key findings**

# The Delegated Officer has reviewed the information regarding leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff and has found:

- 1) That bioremediated soils are to be sampled and tested to determine their suitability for reuse or landfill.
- 2) If the treated materials are only suitable for disposal to landfill, the classification of the materials for disposal is to be made.
- 3) The suitability of bioremediated soils for use as a resource needs to be assessed and the results are to be compared with suitable criteria.
- 4) The number of samples to be collected and analysed for the validation of bioremediated and stockpiled soil should be adequate to provide a statistically reliable result, taking into account the intended use of the soil.
- 5) A licence for the operation of the premises will include conditions relating to product testing to ensure that the final products contaminant levels are in compliance with the intended use.

#### 7.5.7 Consequence

The Delegated Officer has determined that if residual concentrations of chemical substance are above the target criteria, potential impacts to human will include those requiring occasional medical treatment and most likely limited to on-site impacts at a mid-level. Therefore, the Delegated Officer considers the consequence to be **moderate**.

#### 7.5.8 Likelihood of Risk Event

The Delegated Officer has determined that the likelihood of activities affecting human health and the environment will probably not occur in most circumstances. Therefore, the Delegated

Officer considers the likelihood to be unlikely.

#### 7.5.9 Overall rating of leachate and contaminated stormwater runoff

The Delegated Officer has compared the consequence and likelihood ratings described above with the risk rating matrix (Table 13) and determined that the overall rating for the risk of elevated contaminant levels post-remediation is **medium**.

## 7.6 Summary of acceptability and treatment of Risk Events

A summary of the risk assessment and the acceptability or unacceptability of the risk events set out above, with the appropriate treatment and control, are set out in Table 17 below. Controls are described further in section 8.

Table 17: Risk assessment summary

	Description of	ription of Risk Event		Applicant controls	Risk rating	Acceptability with controls
	Emission	Source	Pathway/ Receptor (Impact)	Controls		(conditions on instrument)
1.	Leachate and contaminated runoff	Landfill cells, leachate collection system, leachate pond and bioremediation pad	Overland flow, soil, surface water drainage, direct discharge and seepage into groundwater	Infrastructure and management controls. As detailed in table 15	Minor consequence Unlikely likelihood <b>Medium Risk</b>	Acceptable subject to regulatory controls
2.	Elevated contaminant levels post- remediation	Materials used as backfill for the former sand pit depression or used as capping material for the buried drilling mud waste.	Direct Discharge- Contaminant present in remediated soil posing a risk to human health and or environment, including leaching to groundwater.	Infrastructure and management controls. As detailed in table 16	Moderate consequence Unlikely likelihood Medium risk	Acceptable subject to proponent controls conditioned / outcomes based controls

# 8. Regulatory controls

A summary of regulatory controls determined to be appropriate for the Risk Event is set out in Table 18. The risks are set out in the assessment in section 7 and the controls are detailed in this section. DWER will determine controls having regard to the adequacy of controls proposed by the Applicant. The conditions of the Licence will be set to give effect to the determined regulatory controls.

Table 18: Summary of regulatory controls to be applied

		Controls (references are to sections below, setting out details of controls)			ut details	
		8.1.1 Throughput and waste acceptance	8.1.2 Infrastructure and equipment	8.1.3 Specified action	8.1.4 Monitoring	8.1.5 Reports
Risk Items e risk lysis in	Leachate and contaminated run-off	•	•	•	•	•
Risk I (see risk analysis	2. Contaminants	•			•	•

### 8.1 Licence controls

The following controls will be imposed as conditions on the Licence to manage the risk of emissions from operating the landfill and bioremediation facility. It should be noted that these controls are not final and will be subject to compliance with conditions of the Works Approval and may change if additional information becomes available to further inform the risk assessment (as per *Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments*).

#### 8.1.1 Throughput and waste acceptance

The licence holder shall be subject to total annual limits on throughput of raw materials and the contaminating material shall only consist of petroleum type hydrocarbons with defined concentration limits as shown in table 19 below.

**Table 19: Bioremediation facility inputs** 

Waste accepta	Waste acceptance				
Waste type	Quantity limit Specification <sup>1</sup>				
Contaminated soil	4,000 tonnes per annual period	Contaminating substance shall only consist of petroleum type hydrocarbons with the following concentration limits (in mg/kg):			
		C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>9</sub> petroleum hydrocarbons 28,000			
		C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>35</sub> petroleum hydrocarbons (aromatics)	4,500		

C <sub>10</sub> ->C <sub>35</sub> petroleum hydrocarbons (aliphatics)	280,000
PAHs (total)	1,000
Benzo(a)pyrene	50
Toluene	5,180
Xylenes (total)	18,000

# 8.1.2 Spill infrastructure and equipment to control contaminated run-on and runoff

The following environmental controls, infrastructure and equipment should be maintained and operated onsite for control of contaminated runoff:

- impervious (1x10<sup>-9</sup> m/s) 500mm kerb bunding around the perimeter of the bioremediation pad and leachate pond
- lined impervious (1x10<sup>-9</sup> m/s) leachate collection infrastructure for directing potentially contaminated water to the settling pond;
- lined impervious (1x10<sup>-9</sup> m/s) leachate pond with minimum freeboard level of 500mm;

## 8.1.3 **Specified actions**

The following management actions will be included in the licence to prevent leachate/contaminated runoff:

- Maintaining leachate collection infrastructure free of debris and accumulation of sediment:
- Removing vegetation growing inside leachate ponds; and
- Ensure the operational guidelines and management plan are adhered to at all times

#### 8.1.4 **Monitoring requirements**

The licence will include the post remediation monitoring conditions to ensure that the re-use of the treated contaminated soil does not cause health or environment damage:

#### 8.1.5 **Monitoring reports**

An Annual Audit Compliance Report will be required to be submitted as a condition of the proposed Licence.

# 9. Determination of Works Approval conditions

The conditions in the issued Works Approval in Attachment 1 have been determined in accordance with the *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions*.

Table 20 provides a summary of the conditions to be applied to this works approval.

Table 20: Summary of conditions to be applied

Condition Ref	Grounds
Infrastructure and Equipment 1, 2, 3, and 4	These conditions are valid, risk-based and contain appropriate controls.
Emissions 5	This condition is valid, risk-based and consistent with the EP Act.
Information 6, and 7	These conditions are valid and are necessary administration and reporting requirements to ensure compliance.

DWER notes that it may review the appropriateness and adequacy of controls at any time and that, following a review, DWER may initiate amendments to the *works approvals* under the EP Act.

# 10. Applicant's comments

The Applicant was provided with the draft Decision Report and draft Works Approval on 7 November 2019. Comments received from the Applicant have been considered by the Delegated Officer as shown in Appendix 2.

### 11. Conclusion

This assessment of the risks of activities on the Premises has been undertaken with due consideration of a number of factors, including the documents and policies specified in this Decision Report (summarised in Appendix 1).

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

STEPHEN CHECKER
MANAGER WASTE INDUSTRIES
REGULATORY SERVICES

Delegated Officer under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

# **Appendix 1: Key documents**

	Document title	In text ref	Availability	
1.	<ol> <li>DWER Application Form including following supporting information:         <ol> <li>Attachment 1A – Certificate of Title and memorandum of understanding;</li> <li>Shire of Irwin – Application for development approval;</li> <li>Attachment 1B – ASICS Company Extract;</li> <li>Attachment 2 – Premises maps, Access &amp; boundary map; site layout map</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attachment 3A – Proposed Bioremediation Facility &amp; Waste Drilling Mud Internment activities</li> <li>Attachments - Stabilised Waste Drilling Mud analytical results;</li> <li>Proposed fee calculation - cost breakdown information</li> </ol>	W6239/2019/1	DWER records (A1804546)	
2.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 13/06/19.  Physical business address provided.	W6239/2019/1		
3.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 19/06/19.  Pond dimensions and calculations provided.	W6239/2019/1		
4.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 27/06/19 Revised boundary map provided	W6239/2019/1	DWER records (A1804547)	
5.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 1/07/19.  Historical Environmental Investigation summary provided	W6239/2019/1		
6.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 3/07/2019.  Historical Environmental Investigation summary provided	W6239/2019/1		
7.	Email from Nicolo Jelovsek: Further information received 6/11/19 Revised boundary map provided	W6239/2019/1	DWER records (A1846244)	

8.	DER, July 2015. Guidance Statement: Regulatory principles. Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2015a	
9.	DER, October 2015. <i>Guidance Statement:</i> Setting conditions. Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2015b	
10.	DER, August 2016. <i>Guidance Statement: Licence duration.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2016a	accessed at www.dwer.wa.gov.au
11.	DER, November 2016. Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments. Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2016b	
12.	DWER, June 2019. <i>Guideline: Decision Making.</i> Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, Perth.	DWER 2019a	
13.	DWER, June 2019. Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, Perth.	DWER 2019b	

# Appendix 2: Summary of applicant's comments on risk assessment and draft conditions

Condition	Summary of Licence Holder comment	DWER response				
Works Approval	Norks Approval					
Table 2, row 3, dot point 5:	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Table 2, row 5, last dot point	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Decision Document						
Section 4.1, under heading Bioremediation, second dot point	Typo noted	Corrected				
Section 4.1, under heading Landfill, fourth dot point	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Section 7.4.1	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Section 7.4.2	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Table 15	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Section 7.4.6, dot point 9	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				
Section 7.5.2	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted				

Condition	Summary of Licence Holder comment	DWER response
Section 7.5.3	Typographical changes requested	Typographical changes adopted
Table 18, 2 <sup>nd</sup> row	We don't consider pathogens to apply to the facility	Removed
Section 8.1	Typo noted	Corrected
Table 19	Typo noted	Corrected

# Attachment 1: Issued Works Approval W6239/2019/1

# **Attachment 2: Development approval**



Monica Sullivan Our Reference: A4646/P926

1 May 2019

GEMEC ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS UNIT 1/25 FOSS STREET PALMYRA WA 6157

Attn: Nicolo Jelovsek

Dear Nicolo

RE: DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR CHANGE OF USE (BIOREMEDIATION FACILITY & INERT LANDFILL (WASTE DRILLING MUD INTERNMENT)) AT LOT 4 (NO. 353) PYE **ROAD MOUNT ADAMS 6525** 

I refer to the above matter and advise that under delegated authority the Shire of Irwin has granted approval as per the attached Determination on Application for Development Approval. Please read all of the Conditions and Advice Notes. The conditions must be complied with.

Planning Approval DOES NOT constitute Building Approval which is subject to the Shire's Building Department. Additionally, other separate approvals to undertake certain activities may be required from other Government Agencies under separate legislation. This is your responsibility.

Should you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 9927 0000 or msullivan@irwin.wa.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

Senior Planning Officer

#### DETERMINATION ON APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL

Planning & Development Act 2005 Shire of Irwin LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO. 5

Applicant: GEMEC ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

Property Address: LOT 4 (NO. 353) PYE ROAD MOUNT ADAMS 6525

Received on: 15/01/2019

Description of proposed development: CHANGE OF USE (BIOREMEDIATION FACILITY & INERT

LANDFILL (WASTE DRILLING MUD INTERNMENT))

The application for development approval is Granted subject to the following conditions and advice notes:

#### Conditions

- The development plans as date marked and stamped 'Approved' with any requirements and annotations
  detailed thereon by the Shire of Irwin, together with the Development Application Report dated 12 March
  2019, are the plans approved as part of this application and shall form part of the development approval
  issued, except where amended by other condition of this approval.
- 2. No site work is to be undertaken until the Applicant has obtained the relevant Works Approval(s) from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.
- 3. The land use is not to commence until the Applicant has obtained the relevant Environmental Licence(s) from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.
- 4. Prior to the commencement of the land use, baseline groundwater monitoring must be undertaken with the results provided to the Shire of Irwin.
- Groundwater monitoring shall be undertaken biennially throughout the duration of the land use, and for a period of five (5) years following the decommissioning of the use, with the results provided to the Shire of Irwin.
- 6. Appropriate dust suppression measures are required to be undertaken at all times during operations to ensure that dust from the development does not affect adjoining properties or any public road.
- 7. Appropriate odour control measures are required to be undertaken at all times during operations to ensure that odour from the development does not affect adjoining properties.
- 8. Vehicles associated with the development must travel to and from the site using the constructed public portion of Pye Road only, being the 3.7 kilometre road located between the western boundary of the development site and the Brand Highway. No vehicles are to access the development from the eastern boundary of the site.
- 9. Prior to the commencement of the use, satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Shire of Irwin for the payment of an annual financial contribution for the ongoing maintenance and renewal of Pye Road, Mount Adams which is required as a result of the traffic generated by the development.
- 10. Any waste accepted at the bioremediation facility that cannot be bio-remediated to a suitable standard for on or off site use must be removed from the site and disposed of at an alternative licenced waste facility as established in the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's Landfill Waste Classification and Waste Definitions 1996 (as amended 2018).
- 11. Prior to commencement of the use, the internal vehicle access track must be upgraded to allow for twoway movement.

#### Advice Notes

- If the development the subject of this approval is not substantially commenced within a period of 2
  years, or another period specified in the approval after the date of the determination, the approval will
  label and be of no further effect.
- 2. Where an approval has so lapsed, no development must be carried out without the further approval of the local government having first been sought and obtained.

- 3. If an applicant or owner is aggrieved by this determination there is a right of review by the State Administrative Tribunal in accordance with the *Planning and Development Act 2005* Part 14. An application must be made within 28 days of the determination.
- 4. This is a Development Approval of the Shire under its Local Planning Scheme No. 5. It is not a Building Permit or an approval to commence or carry out development under any other law. It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain any other necessary approvals, consents and licenses required under any other law, and to commence and carry out development in accordance with all relevant laws.
- 5. Compliance with the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997 is required at all times.
- 6. It is noted that the subject site is classified as a 'Bushfire Prone Area' under the State Map of Bushfire Prone Areas. The Applicant is advised that Harvesters, Vehicles and Internal Combustion Engines Bans imposed by the Shire of Irwin and Total Fire Bans imposed by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services are applicable to the operations.
- With respect to Conditions 4 and 5, groundwater monitoring bores are to be constructed and decommissioned in accordance with the *Minimum Construction Requirements for Water Bores in Australia* 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition (2012).

Signed:

Dated:

Monica Sullivan
Senior Planning Officer

for and on behalf of the Shire of Irwin