

Amendment Report

Department initiated Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval

Number

W6601/2021/1

Works Approval Holder Northern Star (Thunderbox) Pty Ltd

ACN 107 154 727

File Number DER2021/000505

Premises North Eastern Goldfields Operations

Mining tenements: M36/512, M36/582, M36/585

Date of Report 13 November 2024

Decision Revised works approval granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6601/2021/1. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the Existing works approval will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the works approval, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents.

2.2 Amendment summary

Works Approval W6601/2021/1 is held by Northern Star (Thunderbox) Pty Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the North Eastern Goldfields Operations (the Premises), located at Mining tenements: M36/512, M36/582, M36/585.

The Premises relates to the category 5 and the assessed design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6601/2021/1.

On 11 November 2024, the department initiated an amendment to Works Approval W6601/2021/1. The amendment is limited to extending the time limited operation for the TSF cells C and D from 180 calendar days from the day the works approval holder meets the requirements of condition 9, to 270 days from the day the works approval holder meets the requirements of condition 9. This will extend the final day for time limited operations to 1 February 2025.

This extension will allow for the operation of the TSF whilst the application for amendment to L7815/2001/11 to authorise the ongoing operation of the TSF under licence conditions.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 12 November 2024.

On 13 November 2024 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of

implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised works approval as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Condition 10	180 deleted and replaced with 270