



Application for Works Approval Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Choose an item.	W6779/2023/1
Choose an item.	Fortescue Ltd
ACN	002 594 872
File Number	DER2023/000028
Premises	Eliwana Iron Ore Mine Mining Act tenements M47/1509, M47/1522, M47/1523, M47/1524, M47/1525, M47/1526 and M47/1537 HAMMERSLEY RANGE WA 6716,
Date of Report	20 January 2025
Decision	Revised works approval granted

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an officer delegated under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA)

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6779/2023/1. 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 Application summary

Works Approval W6779/2023/1 is held by Fortescue Metals Group Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the Eliwana Iron Ore Mine (the Premises), located at Mining Act tenements M47/1509, M47/1522, M47/1523, M47/1524, M47/1525, M47/1526 and M47/1537, Hammersley Range Western Australia.

The Premises relates to the category and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6779/2023/1.

On 9 December 2024, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Works Approval W6779/2023/1 under section 59B of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending works approval time limited operations.

The Approval Holder has submitted the following Environmental Compliance Reports for works approval W6779/2023/1:

- Power Generation Area for ART Workshop on 7 August 2024.
- Power Generation Area for Eliwana Flying Fish Camp on 14 August 2024.
- Autonomous Road Train (ART) Workshop and Maintenance Facility on 20 August 2024.

The Power Generations Areas commenced time limited operations following submission of the Environmental Compliance Reports in August 2024. The facility continues operational utilisation of Power Generation Areas, Fortescue submitted the Eliwana Iron Ore Mine Licence Amendment L9221/2019/1 on 10 October 2024 to transfer the constructed items of infrastructure to the licence.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 14 January 2025. On 17 January 2025 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

4. Decision

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, and the administrative nature of the application, 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
13 (a)	Amend time limited operation duration to 360 days.

References

1. *Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2015, Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions, Perth, Western Australia.*
2. *Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, Guideline: Environmental Siting, Perth, Western Australia.*
3. *DWER 2020, Guideline: Risk Assessments, Perth, Western Australia.*