



Office of the Environmental Protection Authority

S38 Referrals, S16 and/or S46 Advice

Title: Iron Valley Below Water Table Project

Location: Shire of East Pilbara

Ref ID: CMS15277

Date Received: 14-03-2016

Date More Information Received: 07-04-2016

Referrer: AECOM

Proponent: BC Pilbara Iron Ore Pty Ltd

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Preliminary Environmental Factors: Hydrological Processes, Rehabilitation and Decommissioning, Subterranean Fauna, Flora and Vegetation, Offsets, Terrestrial Fauna, Inland Waters Environmental Quality, Heritage


Potential Significant Effects: Clearing of additional 314 ha of vegetation and associated loss of fauna habitat; loss of troglofauna and stygofauna habitat from mine pit development and dewatering; discharge of surplus groundwater to Weeli Wolli Creek; and potential impacts on heritage values.

Public Comments On Referral Information:	Assess-API-A: 0 Assess-API B: 0 Assess – PER: 1 Do Not Assess: 0 TOTAL COMMENTS: 1
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Determination: Assess: Assessment on Proponent Information (Category A) (Assessment No. 2082)

Explanation of Decision: The proposal is an extension of an approved mine, and assessment at the level of API Category A is warranted as: the proposal raises a limited number of preliminary key environmental factors that can be readily managed, and for which there is an established condition setting framework; at this stage appears to be consistent with established EPA policies and guidelines; the proponent has conducted appropriate stakeholder consultation; and there is limited or local concern about the likely effect of the proposal, if implemented, on the environment.

No appeals.

Chairman's Initials: 

Date: 15/6/16