

# **Application for Licence Amendment**

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

Works Approval Number	W6738/2022/1
Works Approval Holder	Shire of Broome
File Number	DER2022/000478
Premises	Broome Regional Resource Recovery Park
	Legal description - Lot 550 on Deposited Plan 421448
Date of Report	29 February 2024
Decision	Revised works approval granted

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# 1. Decision summary

Works Approval W6738/2022/1 is held by the Shire of Broome (works approval holder) for the Broome Regional Resource Recovery Park (Broome RRRP; the premises), located on Lot 550 on Deposited Plan 421448 (corner of Broome- Cape Leveque Road and McGuigan Road)

This amendment report documents the assessment of potential risks to the environment and public health from proposed changes to the emissions and discharges during the construction and operation of the premises. As a result of this assessment, revised works approval W6738/2022/1 has been granted.

## 2. Scope of assessment

### 2.1 Regulatory framework

In completing the assessment documented in this amendment report, the department has considered and given due regard to its regulatory framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <a href="https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents">https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents</a>.

### 2.2 Amendment summary

On 30 November 2023, the works approval holder submitted an application to the department to amend works approval W6738/2022/1 under section 59 and 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment being sought is for the construction of a workshop with depollution infrastructure including time limited operation for the depollution of up to 200 vehicles per annual period.

Vehicles that have not yet been de-polluted will be stored on the hardstand (already authorised as per W6738/2022/1). A downstream oil and grit separator will be used to recover any oils that may be flushed from the hardstand by rain.

The covered workshop will be used to carry out depollution activities. Vehicles will be moved into position over a central portion of concrete hardstand that drains into a grated concrete pit. Depollution activities will involve draining fuel and oils and aircon gases into appropriate industry standard receptacles. The concrete hardstand and pit provide a backup should these controls fail and prevent pollutants entering the environment. Should any spills occur they will be recovered by pumping out the pit and disposing of the contents appropriately.

Freshly de-polluted cars will be inspected for leaks and if cleared placed back on the Hardstand Stockpile area to ensure any residual emissions are captured.

## 3. Risk assessment

The department assesses the risks of emissions from prescribed premises and identifies the potential source, pathway and impact to receptors in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk* assessments (DWER 2020).

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.

### 3.1 Source-pathways and receptors

#### 3.1.1 Emissions and controls

The key emissions and associated actual or likely pathway during premises construction and operation which have been considered in this amendment report are detailed in Table 1 below. Table 1 also details the proposed control measures the works approval holder has proposed to assist in controlling these emissions, where necessary.

Emission	Sources	Potential pathways	Proposed controls	
Dust	Construction of depollution	Air/windborne pathway	<ul> <li>Operation of equipment to be restricted to operational hours only;</li> </ul>	
	infrastructure		<ul> <li>Vehicles restricted to 10 km/hr unless otherwise signed; and</li> </ul>	
			• Water cart to be used as necessary.	
Hydrocarbons / liquids	Acceptance, storage and	Overland runoff /	<ul> <li>Vehicles not yet de-polluted to be stored on the hardstand;</li> </ul>	
(spills / loss of containment)	depollution of used vehicles	infiltration	infiltration	<ul> <li>Hardstand graded towards an oil and grit separator;</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>De-pollution activities to be carried out inside workshop;</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Vehicles to be positioned on a central portion of concrete hardstand that drains into a graded concrete pit;</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>De-pollution activities will involve draining fuel, oils and aircon gases into appropriate industry standard receptacles;</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Should any spills occur, they will be recovered by pumping out the pit and disposing of the contents appropriately; and</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Freshly de-polluted cars will be inspected for leaks and if cleared placed back on the hardstand stockpile area to ensure any residual emissions are captured.</li> </ul>	

Table 1: Works approval holder controls

#### 3.1.2 Receptors

In accordance with the *Guideline: Risk assessments* (DWER 2020), the delegated officer has excluded employees, visitors and contractors of the works approval holder's from its assessment. Protection of these parties often involves different exposure risks and prevention strategies, and is provided for under other state legislation.

Table 2 below provides a summary of potential environmental receptors that may be impacted as a result of activities upon or emission and discharges from the prescribed premises *(Guideline: Environmental siting* (DWER 2020)).

Table 2: Sensitive human and environmental receptors and distance from prescribed	
activity	

Environmental receptors	Distance from prescribed activity
Yawuru Birragun Conservation Park	Directly adjacent on the western boundary of the premises.
Underlying groundwater	Between 16 and 34 m bgl
Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914 (RIWI Act) Proclaimed Groundwater – Broome Groundwater Area	The premises is within the Broome Groundwater Area.
Public Drinking Waster Source Area – Priority 1 – Broome Water Reserve	The Broome Water Reserve is approximately 100 m east of the premises boundary.
	The closet well head protection zone is located approximately 1.2 km east of the premises boundary.

### 3.2 Risk ratings

Risk ratings have been assessed in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020) for those emission sources which are proposed to change and takes into account potential source-pathway and receptor linkages as identified in Section 3.1. Where linkages are incomplete they have not been considered further in the risk assessment.

Where the works approval holder has proposed mitigation measures/controls (as detailed in Section 3.1), these have been considered when determining the final risk rating. Where the delegated officer considers the works approval holder's proposed controls to be critical to maintaining an acceptable level of risk, these will be incorporated into the works approval as regulatory controls.

Additional regulatory controls may be imposed where the works approval holder's controls are not deemed sufficient. Where this is the case the need for additional controls will be documented and justified in Table 3.

The revised works approval W6738/2022/1 that accompanies this amendment report authorises construction and time-limited operations. The conditions in the revised works approval have been determined in accordance with *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions* (DER 2015).

A licence is required following the time-limited operational phase authorised under the works approval to authorise emissions associated with the ongoing operation of the premises. A risk assessment for the operational phase has been included in this amendment report, however licence conditions will not be finalised until the department assesses the licence application.

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Risk Event			Risk rating <sup>1</sup>	Works				
Source / Activities	Potential emission	Potential pathways and impact	Receptors	Receptors Works holder's controls		approval holder's controls sufficient?	Conditions <sup>2</sup> of works approval	Justification for additional regulatory controls
Construction								
Construction of depollution infrastructure	Dust	Air/windborne pathway causing impacts to health and amenity	Yawuru Birragun Conservation Park immediately adjacent on the western boundary of the premises		C = Minor L = Possible <b>Medium Risk</b>	Y	Emission to be regulated under the general provisions of the EP Act	N/A
Operation (incl	uding time-limited	-operations oper	ations)					
Acceptance, storage and depollution of used vehicles	Hydrocarbons / liquids (spills / loss of containment)	Overland run- off and infiltration to land causing impacts to underlying soil and groundwater	Yawuru Birragun Conservation Park immediately adjacent on the western boundary of the premises Underlying groundwater approximately 16 – 34 m bgl Broome Water Reserve approximately 100 m east of the premises.	Refer to Section 3.1	C = Moderate L = Unlikely <b>Medium Risk</b>	Y	Conditions 1, 10, 19, 39, 40, 46, 47, 48, 54, 56, 58 & 59	N/A

#### Table 3. Risk assessment of potential emissions and discharges from the premises during construction and operation

Note 1: Consequence ratings, likelihood ratings and risk descriptions are detailed in the Guideline: Risk assessments (DWER 2020).

Note 2: Proposed works approval holder's controls are depicted by standard text. Bold and underline text depicts additional regulatory controls imposed by department.

# 4. Consultation

Table 4 provides a summary of the consultation undertaken by the department.

#### Table 4: Consultation

Consultation method	Comments received	Department response
Works approval holder was provided with draft amendment on 24 January 2024	The works approval holder sent an email response on 22 February 2024 advising there were no comments on the draft amendment	N/A

## 5. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this amendment report, the delegated officer has determined that a revised works approval will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

### 5.1 Summary of amendments

Table 5 provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the revised works approval as part of the amendment process.

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Condition 1 Table 1 (Row 6)	Inclusion of workshop and depollution facility design and construction requirements
Condition 10 Table 3 (Row 7)	Inclusion of operational requirements for the workshop and depollution facility
Condition 16 Table 4	Removal of acceptance criteria for light vehicles
Condition 19 Table 5	Inclusion of processing requirements for the depollution of vehicles

Table 5: Summary of works approval amendments

## 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.

# **Appendix 1: Application validation summary**

SECTION 1: APPLICATION SUMMARY						
Application type						
Works approval						
		Relevant works approval number:		None		
		Has the works approva with?	al been complied	Yes □	Yes 🗆 No 🗆	
Licence		Has time limited opera works approval demon acceptable operations?	strated	Yes □ N/A □	No 🗆	
		Environmental Complia Critical Containment In Report submitted?		Yes □	No 🗆	
		Date Report received:				
Renewal		Current licence number:				
Amendment to works approval	$\boxtimes$	Current works approval number:	W6738	/2022/1		
Amendment to licence		Current licence number:				
		Relevant works approval number:		N/A		
Registration		Current works approval number:		None		
Date application received		30 November 2023				
Applicant and Premises detail	s					
Applicant name/s (full legal name	e/s)	Shire of Broome				
Premises name		Broome Regional Resource Recovery Park				
Premises location		Lot 550 on Deposited Plan 421448				
Local Government Authority		Shire of Broome				
Application documents						
HPCM file reference number:		DER2022/000478~5				
Key application documents (additional to application form):		Attachment 1 – Reserve Details Report Attachment 2 – Map (General Arrangement) Attachment 6A – Map (CRC – Metal, Glass and Timber laydown area) Attachment 6A – Map (RC Hardstand Plan)				
		Attachment 6A – Workshop and wash bay plan and section Attachment 6A – Phase 1: Community Recycling Centre and Liquid Waste Facility Technical Specification Attachment 7 – Environmental Assessment and				

	Management Plan				
Scope of application/assessment					
		Installation of a workshop with associated depollution infrastructure for the depollution of up to 200 vehicles per annual period.			
	hardstand (alread hardstand ensure ground and can b downstream oil a	Vehicles that have not yet been de-polluted will be stored on the hardstand (already authorised as per W6738/2022/1). The hardstand ensures that any leaks do not permeate into the ground and can be mopped out with spill recovery methods. A downstream oil and grit separator will be used to recover any oils that may be flushed from the hardstand by rain.			
Summary of proposed activities or changes to existing operations.	The covered workshop will be used to carry out depollution activities. Vehicles will be moved into position over a central portion of concrete hardstand that drains into a grated concrete pit. Depollution activities will involve draining fuel and oils and aircon gases into appropriate industry standard receptacles. The concrete hardstand and pit provide a backup should these controls fail and prevents pollutants entering the environment. Should any spills occur they will be recovered by pumping out the pit and disposing of the contents appropriately.				
			e Hardstand	be inspected for leaks and if cleared d Stockpile area to ensure any ed.	
Category number/s (activities that Table 1: Prescribed premises cate		-	es to becor	ne prescribed premises)	
•	Assessed production or design capacity Proposed changes to the production or design capacity (amendments			production or design	
		essed – 10,000 tor ual period	ines per	Is there a proposed change to the previously assessed production or design capacity?	
No change to other categories					
Legislative context and other app	rov	als			
Has the applicant referred, or do they intend to refer, their proposal to the EPA under Part IV of the EP Act as a significant proposal?	,	Yes 🛛 No 🗆		lecision No: TBA – assessment seven-day public comment sed.	
Does the applicant hold any existin Part IV Ministerial Statements relevant to the application?	ng	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	N/A		
Has the proposal been referred and/or assessed under the EPBC Act?		Yes 🗆 No 🖂	N/A		
Has the applicant demonstrated occupancy (proof of occupier status)?		Yes 🛛 No 🗆	works app Water Co	omitted as part of the original proval application from the rporation transferring Lot 550 21448 to the Shire of Broome.	

Has the applicant obtained all relevant planning approvals?	Yes □ No □ N/A ⊠	The Broome RRRP is deemed a Public Works and is subject to a works exemption under the <i>Planning and Development Act 2005</i> .
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing EP Act clearing permit in relation to this proposal?	Yes ⊠ No □	CPS No: CPS 9542-1 Clearing permit CPS 9542-1 is currently going through the appeals process.
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing CAWS Act clearing licence in relation to this proposal?	Yes 🗆 No 🛛	N/A
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing RIWI Act licence or permit in relation to this proposal?	Yes ⊠ No □	Application reference No: N/A Licence/permit No: N/A Production bore on site but no licence or licence application. Shire of Broome intend to utilise allowance from Buckley's Road water licence.
Does the proposal involve a discharge of waste into a designated area (as defined in section 57 of the EP Act)?	Yes □ No ⊠	Name: Broome Groundwater AreaType: Proclaimed Groundwater AreaHas Regulatory Services (Water) beenconsulted?Yes □ No □ N/A ⊠ (amendmentdoes not relate to discharge – addressedunder original works approval)Regional office: North West
Is the Premises situated in a Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA)?	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	Name: N/A Priority: N/A Are the proposed activities/ landuse compatible with the PDWSA (refer to <u>WQPN 25</u> )? Yes □ No □ N/A ⊠
Is the Premises subject to any other Acts or subsidiary regulations (e.g. Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004, Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004, State Agreement Act xxxx)	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	N/A
Is the Premises within an Environmental Protection Policy (EPP) Area?	Yes 🗆 No 🛛	N/A
Is the Premises subject to any EPP requirements?	Yes 🗆 No 🛛	N/A
Is the Premises a known or suspected contaminated site under the Contaminated Sites Act 2003?	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	N/A