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REF Assessment Process

Part 5 Determination under EP&A Act

- DRE is required to assess category 2 and 3 prospecting operations in accordance with the environmental assessment requirements under Part 5 of the EP&A Act.
 - Section 111(1) of the Planning Act requires DRE to:

“...examine and take into account to the fullest extent possible all matters affecting or likely to affect the environment by reason of that activity”.

- The DRE has developed an Assessment Procedure to assist in meeting the requirements of Part 5 of the EP&A Act
- Part 5 Determination tables are used to assess whether there will be a significant impact on the environment and hence if an Environmental Impact Statement is required

Steps for Assessing an REF

1. Receive the Application
2. Perform Adequacy Assessment
 - Complete Checklist

| STEP 2: ADEQUACY ASSESSMENT (Assessment Officer) | | | |
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| Does the application adequately describe the activity and address the content requirements set out in ESG2 REF Guideline? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Is the activity consistent with the approved work program? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Is the activity located within the authorisation area and outside exclusion zones? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Has an <u>ESB-F01 Application Form</u> been submitted? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Has a <u>Rehabilitation Cost Estimate</u> been submitted? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Has an <u>Agricultural Impact Statement</u> been submitted? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Has a <u>Fracture Stimulation Plan</u> been submitted? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Has a <u>document</u> been submitted and is suitable for website publishing? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| <i>(For rejected applications ONLY)</i> Send rejection letter to proponent: | <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE, Date: | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Adequacy Assessment completed by: | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE, Date: 23-3-2015 |

Step 3: Website Approval

- DIGS/EROL Database

| STEP 3: WEBSITE APPROVAL - Initial (Assessment Officer and Receiving Officer) | | | |
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| Name of file(s) to be uploaded: | Leewood produced Water Treatment and beneficial Reuse Project - review of Environmental Factors (REF), Leewood Phase 2 REF - Appendices Appendix 7: Agricultural Impact Statement (AIS) - Leewood Produced Water Treatment and Beneficial Reuse Project | TRIM Ref: | INW15/9967 INW15/9951/9953/9957/9959/ 9960/9961/9962/9963/9964/99 65/9966 ->INW15/10065 (combined appendices 1-11) INW15/10097 |
| Confidential information removed: | <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | Status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pending <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Refused |
| Website approval authorised by: | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE, Date: 23-3-2015 |
| Submit this form to Receiving Officer (or website coordinator) to upload files | | | |
| Web upload request completed by: | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE, Date: 23/3/2015 |

Step 4: Agency Referral

- The REF and associated documents are sent to other Government agencies for review and comments

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| STEP 4: AGENCY AND UNIT REFERRAL (Receiving Officer) | | | | | | |
| <i>Submission of relevant documents to the agencies (as per the current agency agreement)</i> | | | | | | |
| Referral agencies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DPI | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EPA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OEH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOW | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DP&I | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other agency: RMS |
| Interagency referral completed by: | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE, Date: 23/3/2015 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | |

Step 5: Detailed Assessment

- Site Inspection
- Review submissions from other agencies
- Detailed review of all documents
- Documentation prepared for review includes:
 - Part 5 Determination Tables
 - Assessment Report
 - Exempt Area Approval (for Crown lands)
 - Request for additional information if required
 - Security Calculation Assessment

Part 5 Determination Tables

- Impacts evaluated for significance include:
 - Physical or pollution impacts
 - Air, Water, Soil and Stability, Noise and Vibration, sensitivity of location.
 - Biological Impacts
 - Fauna, Flora, Ecological, sensitivity of location.
 - Resource Use Impacts
 - Community resources and Natural resources.
 - Community Impacts
 - Social, Economic, heritage, cultural, Land use and transportation.