

## Public Submission Information

### Invitation for Public Comment on the strategic assessment of impacts of a Plan for mining iron ore and associated infrastructure in the Pilbara region of Western Australia

On 18 September 2012 the Commonwealth Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities and BHP Billiton Iron Ore Vice President Health, Safety, Environment and Community agreed to undertake a strategic assessment of impacts of a Plan for mining iron ore and associated infrastructure in the Pilbara region of Western Australia under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Strategic Assessment will facilitate a more holistic and longer term view of mining activities in the Pilbara region by identifying and assessing how impacts to the environment at a landscape scale will be managed.

Public comments from interested parties are invited for a period of at least 28 days (as specified by the Minister) on the two Strategic Assessment documents, the draft MNES Program and the draft Impact Assessment Report which consider the impacts of actions on Matters of National Environmental Significance in accordance with the requirements of the Agreement.

A copy of the , draft Impact Assessment Report and the draft MNES Program, as well the Agreement and information on how to provide a submission can be downloaded from the Regulatory Information webpage – Iron Ore on the BHP Billiton website at: [www.bhpbilliton.com/society/regulatory](http://www.bhpbilliton.com/society/regulatory). The documents will be available for public comment from 21 March to 2 May 2016.

If you require hardcopies of the draft Impact Assessment Report or draft MNES Program or further information please contact the Project Manager – EPBC Strategic Assessment, BHP Billiton Iron Ore on Ph: 08 6224 4444. Persons with special needs (i.e. for whom English is a second language or who have vision impairment) may contact BHP Billiton via the above details for assistance accessing the material.

Written submissions can be:

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Closing date: 5:00pm, Monday, 2 May 2016

If you would like to be kept informed on the Strategic Assessment, please register your contact information using the phone, email or mail details above.