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Glossary and Acronyms

µg/m3	Micrograms per cubic metre
µS/cm	Micro Siemens per centimetre
AACR	Annual Audit Compliance Report
ABA	Acid Base Accounting
AER	Annual Environmental Report
Ag	Silver
AHD	Australian Height Datum
Al	Aluminium
AMD	Acid and Metalliferous Drainage
ANC	Acid Neutralising Capacity
ANZECC	Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council
AQMP	Air Quality Management Plan
ARMCANZ	Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand
As	Arsenic
B	Boron
BEMP	Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan
BIF	Banded Iron Formation
BNTAC	Banjima Native Title Aboriginal Corporation
BOD	Biochemical Oxygen Demand
BWT	Below water table
Ca	Calcium
CAR	Compliance Assessment Report
CCS	Crown Condition Score
Cd	Cadmium
CDPRMP	Chichester Deviation Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan
CEF	Controlled Environment Facility
CEMS	Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems
CFU/100 ml	Colony forming units per 100 ml
CID	Channel Iron Deposit
Cl	Chloride
CL	Control Limit
CO3	Calcium Carbonate
COD	Chemical Oxygen Demand
CPS	Clearing Permit System
CPWRMP	Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan
Cr	Chromium
Cu	Copper
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions
DBH	Diameter at Breast Height
DEC	Department of Environment and Conservation (now DWER)
DEM	Dust Extinction Moisture
DJTSI	Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation
DEMIRS	Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (now DMPE)
DMMA	Dredge Material Management Area
DMP	Department of Mines and Petroleum (now DMPE)
DMPE	Department of Mines, Petroleum and Energy
DSI	Detailed Site Investigation
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
EC	Electrical Conductivity
eDNA	DNA in the environment
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
EP Act	*Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)*
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPWRMP	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan
ERI	Early Response Indicator
EWI	Early Warning Indicator
Fe	Iron
FMP	Fauna Management Plan
FVEMP	Flora and Vegetation Management Plan
FY	Financial Year
GDA94	Geocentric Datum Australia 1994
GDV	Groundwater Dependent Vegetation
GHGMP	Greenhouse Gas Management Plan
GL	Gigalitres
GL/a	Gigalitres per annum
GLUP	Global Land Use Permit
GNA	Goldsworthy Northern Area
GRE	Gas reciprocating engines
GT	Gas Turbines
ha	Hectares
HBI	Hot Briquetted Iron
HCO_3	Bicarbonate
Hg	Mercury
hr	Hour(s)
HRSG	Heat Recovery Steam Generators
HSE	Health, Safety and Environment
IBSA	Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments
IDC	Index of Diversion Condition
INAP	International Network for Acid Prevention
IROC	Integrated Remote Operations Centre
IRP	Impact Reconciliation Plan
IRR	Impact Reconciliation Report
ISA	in-pit storage area
K	Potassium
kg/ha/yr	Kilograms per hectare per year
kL	Kilolitre
kt	Kilo tonnes
ktpa	Kilo tonnes per annum
L	Litres
LiDAR	Light Detection and Ranging
LOA	Life of Asset
LUMP	Land Use Management Plan
LWP	Leaf Water Potential
MAC	Mining Area C
MAR	Managed Aquifer Recharge
mbgl	Metres below ground level

mbToC	Metres below top of casing
MCP	Mine Closure Plan
MCWRMP	Marillana Creek Water Resource Management Plan
Mg	Magnesium
ML	Mineral Lease
ML	Mega litres
Mn	Manganese
Mo	Molybdenum
MRF	Mining Rehabilitation Fund
mRL	metres Relative Level
MS	Ministerial Statement
MSAVI	Modified Soil Adjusted Vegetation Index
Mt	Million tonnes
Mtpa	Million tonnes per annum
MW	Megawatt
Mwt	Million wet tonnes
Mwtpa	Million wet tonnes per annum
MZ	Management Zone
Na	Sodium
NAF	Non-Acid Forming
NDVI	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index
Ni	Nickel
NO3	Nitrate
NOx	Oxides of Nitrogen
NP	Net percolation
NPI	Non-Processing Infrastructure
NVCP	Native Vegetation Clearing Permit
OB	Orebody
OEPA	Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now EPA)
OHP	Ore Handling Plant
OSA	Overburden Storage Area
OWW	Oily Waste Water
OWWTP	Oily Waste Water Treatment Plant
PACE	Products and Capacity Expansion
PAF	Potentially Acid Forming
PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
Pb	Lead
PDLWP	Pre-Dawn Leaf Water Potential
PEAHR	Project Environmental and Aboriginal Heritage Review (now GLUP)
PEC	Priority Ecological Community
PEMS	Predictive Emissions Monitoring System
PERSP	State Public Environment Review Strategic Proposal
PEOF	Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund
pH	Relative measure of acidity or basicity of a substance
PHIC	Port Hedland Industry Council
PHPA	Port Hedland Port Authority (now PPA)
PM_{10}	Particulate Matter with diameter <10 microns
PPA	Pilbara Port Authority
QXRD	quantitative X-ray diffraction
R&D	Research and Development
RATA	Relative Accuracy Test Audit
RCSP	Revegetated Cover Systems Program
Redox	Reduction–oxidation reaction
RGP	Rapid Growth Project
RiWI Act	Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914 (WA)
RL	Relative Level
RO	Reverse Osmosis
RSI	Residue Storage Impoundment
RSS	Rising Stage Sampler
RVMP	Riparian Vegetation Monitoring Program
S46	Section 46, EP Act
SBA	Stand Basal Area
SCHMP	Significant Cultural Heritage Management Plan
SD	Standard Deviation
SDM	Species Distribution Modelling
Se	Selenium
SEA	Strategic Environment Assessment
SO_4	Sulphate
SPR	Source Pathway Receptor
SSMP	Significant Species Management Plan
SSTV	Site Specific Trigger Values
STG	Steam Turbine Generators
SWGWMP	Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan
t	Tonne
TDS	Total Dissolved Solids
TEC	Threatened Ecological Community
TFEMP	Troglofauna Environmental Management Plan
TLO	Train Load Out
TN	Total Nitrogen
TP	Total Phosphorus
tpa	Tonnes per annum
TRH	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons
TSF	Tailings Storage Facility
TSS	Total Suspended Solids

1 BHP Iron Ore Environmental Management

1.1 Introduction and Purpose

This Annual Environmental Report (AER) is prepared by BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (BHP) for and on behalf of the joint venture participants of its Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO) operations. The report relates to the period from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026 (FY2026).

The purpose of the AER is to:

- report environmental compliance and performance for the reporting year;
- address annual reporting requirements for Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration;
- document the major mining activities, environmental management activities, and rehabilitation activities for the reporting year.

1.2 Regulator Audits and Inspections

No regulator audits or inspections were conducted in FY2026.

1.3 BHPs Production

BHP WAIO's total iron ore production for FY2026 was 291 million tonnes (Mt) compared to 290 Mt in FY2025 on a 100 per cent (%) basis. WAIO production for FY2027 is expected to be between 286 and 298 Mt (on a 100 per cent basis).

Table 1-1 Production data per site (FY2025 Actual)

Operation	kt[1,2]
Newman[3]	52,681
Area C Joint Venture[3]	129,026
Yandi Joint Venture[3]	12,590
Jimblebar[4]	62,580
Total Production WAIO[3]	**256,877**
Total Production WAIO[4]	**291,164**
Total Sales WAIO (100%)[4]	288,095

1 Sourced from BHP Operational Review (Production and Sales Report) for the year ended 30 June 2026.
2 Iron Ore production and sales are reported on a wet tonne basis.
3 Shown on an 85 per cent basis.
4 Shown on a 100 per cent basis.

1.3.1 Sustaining Tonnes

BHP has applied for (Table 1-2) and been issued (Table 1-3) a number of environmental approvals[1] under Parts IV and V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)* (EP Act) during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 1-2 Approval applications submitted in FY2026 that are under assessment as of 01 July 2026

Site	Application	Submission Date	Purpose
Exploration	Amendment to NVCP CPS 7374/3 Eastern Ridge Strategic	16 February 2026	• Extend the clearing and expiry dates. • Amendment the boundary to exclude newly identified habitat features and potential Priority flora species.
Jinidi	Amendment to NVCP CPS 4521/3 Jinidi Accommodation Camp	15 September 2025	• Extend the permit by 10 years and clearing period by 5 years. • Reduce the boundary to exclude an area of locally significant vegetation.
	Amendment to NVCP CPS 4619/3 Jinidi Access route Geotech	20 March 2026	• Amend the boundary to exclude newly identified habitat features. • Extend the permit by 10 years and clearing period by 5 years. • Amend the purpose to be "Clearing for the purposes of geotechnical investigations and associated activities".
	Application for a new NVCP for the Jindi s91 Area	24 June 2026	• New permit to allow clearing for the purposes of environmental, ethnographic, heritage, hydrological, hydrogeological, topographical and geotechnical investigations; construction and maintenance of access tracks and any other associated activities.

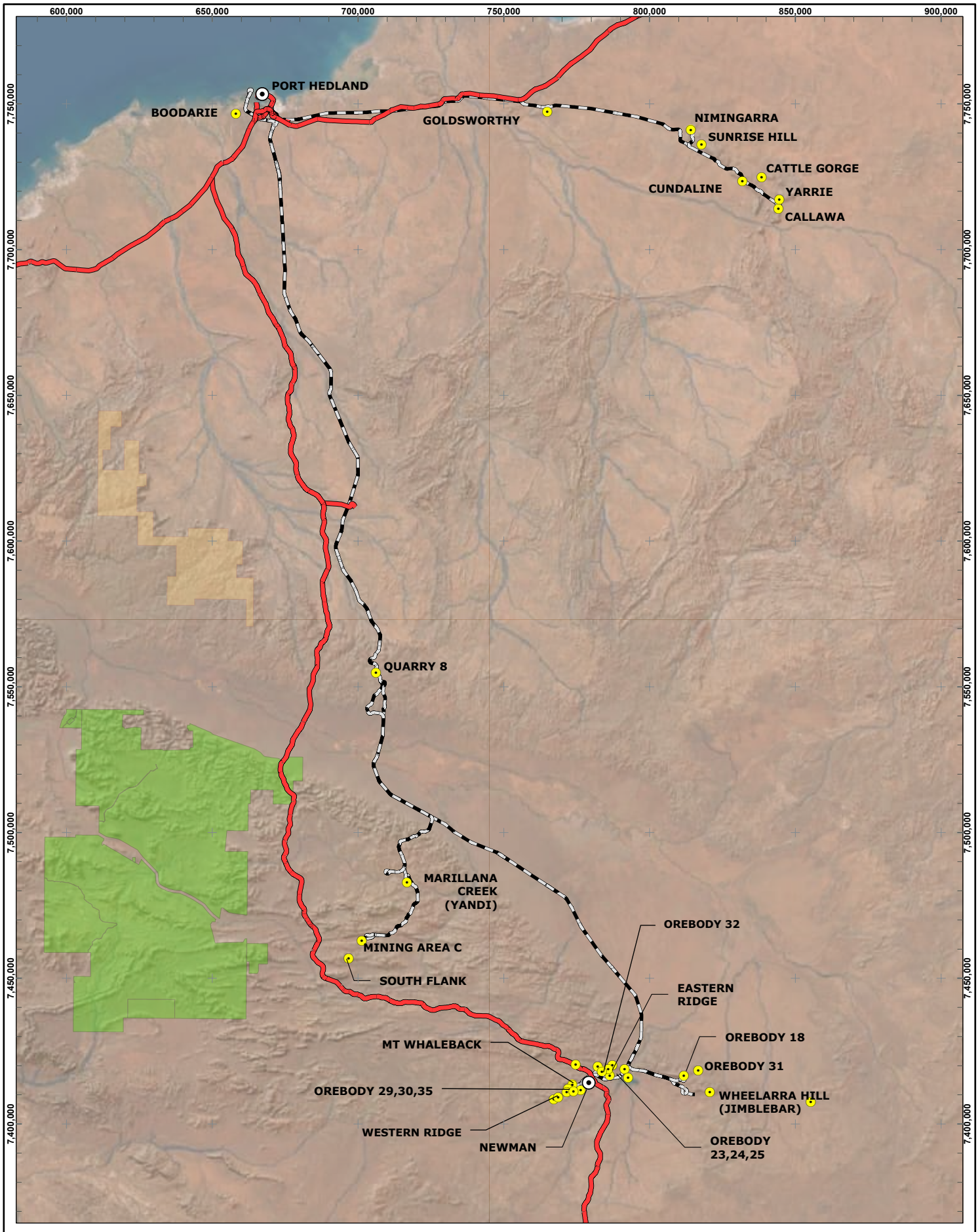
[1] 'Approvals' is considered to also include amendments and extensions

Site	Application	Submission Date	Purpose
Ministers North	New Works Approval	26 February 2026	• Construct the new Eastern Front End 20 mtpa Primary Crusher, scalping screening facility, conveyors and transfer stations, secondary crushing and connections to the existing Yandi OHP 3. • Construct and operate a 100,000 tpa mobile crushing and screening plant.
Newman Operations: Eastern Ridge	OB32 Below Water Table Creek Discharge Derived Proposal	16 December 2025	• Includes an additional surplus water management option for OB32. • Involves the construction of a creek discharge at Homestead Creek and aeration ponds if required.
Newman Operations: Whaleback	L4503/1975/14 Whaleback Hub Licence	12 November 2025	• Update the infrastructure to be constructed. • Add the remaining construction activities if the TSF Works Approval W6714/2022/1. • Increase surplus water disposal to Ophthalmia Dam once the OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment is granted. • Update the ARD monitoring bores.
Power	L8803/2013/1 Yarnima Power Station Licence Amendment	12 December 2025	• Additional capacity of 60 MW Gas Reciprocating Engines at Yarnima Power Station.
Yarrie / Goldsworthy	Renewal of NVCP CPS 4249/6 Shay Gap Aerodrome	10 December 2025	• Renewal to extend the permit by five years and update the purpose to be for rehabilitation activities only.

Table 1-3 Approval applications granted in FY2026

Site	Approval	Approval Date	Outcomes
Exploration	NVCP CPS 10719/1 Marillana Exploration (New)	24 July 2025	• Allow for the clearing of up to 500 ha for the purposes of mineral exploration, geotechnical investigations, hydrological investigations, installation of meteorological masts and LiDAR stations and any associated activities.
	NVCP CPS 8033/2 Ministers North Exploration (Amendment)	16 September 2025	• Extend the duration of the permit dates. • Update the permit holder to BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd. • Exclude a number of newly identified fauna habitat features. • Increase the disturbance limit from 200 ha to 300 ha. • Amend the purpose to include installation of meteorological masts and LiDAR stations.
Jimblebar	L5415/1988/9 Jimblebar Licence (Amendment)	30 November 2025	• Add four bores to the Caramulla MAR scheme. • Updated two Caramulla monitoring points. • Remove four Rising Stage Samplers (RSS) associated with South Jimblebar Creek and add one new RSS for Caramulla Creek. • Update bore names. • Detail construction requirements for oily water ponds and bioremediation facilities.
	W2918/2025/1 Jimblebar Beneficiation Works Approval (New)	12 December 2025	• Construction of a new beneficiation plant. • In-pit disposal of tailings at Orebody 17/18.
	NVCP CPS 6834/3 Orebody 31 Pipeline (Amendment)	23 June 2026	• Extend the permit by 5 years. • Reduce the boundary to exclude areas of Pilbara Olive Python habitat.
Mining Area C	L7851/2002/6 Mining Area C / South Flank Licence (Amendment)	01 May 2026	• Update sampling points for the South Flank MAR scheme. • Make the L4 and L5 discharge points permanent. • Rename all site landfills to remove ambiguity in construction and operation requirements. • Add two new putrescible landfills and two new inert landfills.
Ministers North	NVCP CPS 8940/2 Ministers North Conveyor at Yandi Geotech (Amendment)	25 November 2025	• Extend the permit clearing period by five years and the permit duration by ten years.
	Part IV MS1105 s45B Notice No.3 - Ministers North Derived Proposal	15 June 2026	• Part IV approval for an iron ore mine and associated activities and operations, being new mining operations at Ministers North.
Newman Operations: Eastern Ridge	L6942/1997/13 Eastern Ridge Licence (Amendment)	22 October 2025	• Licence Renewal
Newman Operations: Whaleback Hub	W6714/2022/1 Whaleback TSF Lift Works Approval (Amendment)	19 December 2025	• Extend the works approval for 12 months.
	OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment	04 February 2026	• Clearing of 116 ha of native vegetation. • Increase the Development Envelope area by 890 ha.

Site	Approval	Approval Date	Outcomes
			• Increase groundwater abstraction by 16.5 GL/a and discharge to 12.8 GL/a.
NPI	Warrawandu Village WWTP Licence (Amendment)	26 August 2025	• Correction of an administrative error.
	NVCP CPS 6924/4 Ophthalmia Dam Maintenance (Amendment)	13 January 2026	• Extend the permit clearing period by five years and the permit duration by ten years. • Minor increase in the permit boundary to allow for new laydown areas.
Port	L4513/1969/18 Port Licence (Amendment)	22 July 2025	• Bulk dewatering and reinjection for construction of Car Dumper 6.
	NVCP CPS 4242/5 Hunt Point (Amendment)	19 September 2025	• Extend the permit clearing period by five years and the permit duration by ten years. • Amend the permit holder name to BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd. • Reduce the permit boundary to exclude areas currently outside of BHP tenure.
Power	NVCP CPS 3445/5 Newman to Jimblebar Transmission Line (Amendment)	26 November 2025	• Extend the duration of the permit. • Amend the permit holder name to BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd. • Consolidate the permit purpose. • Remove a small area of the permit.
Rail Operations	NVCP CPS 7009/4 Rail Strategic NVCP (Amendment)	27 November 2025	• Extend the permit dates by five years.
	Redmont Camp Licence L8362/2009/2 (Amendment)	04 June 2026	• Allow for the modification of the WWTP with primary treatment in the existing lined evaporation pond. • Reduce the limit for Category 54 to 190 m^3/day as this will be the revised maximum design capacity post construction the modified system.
	Amend the Redmont Camp Licence L8362/2009/2 (Amendment)	18 June 2026	• Corrected a number of administrative errors in the 04 June 2026 licence.
Yandi Mining Operations	Amend the Yandi Licence L6168/1991/11 (Amendment)	09 June 2026	• Extend the Jugari Gorge discharge trial for three years to 01 July 2029. • Add Category 13 to the licence with an annual limit of 33,000 tonnes per annual period. • Remove Category 52 and associated infrastructure to be constructed as this facility is not required to be built. • Install a macerator and aerator at the Spinifex WWTP for receiving waste from other ablution facilities. • Remove one solid waste depot that has not been used and add three new Solid Waste Depot locations and increase the category limit to 48,000 tpa. • Remove the inert landfill locations at Yandi Camp as these facilities have not been constructed. • Increase the disposal limit of Category 64 by 8,200 tonnes per annum to 40,000 tonnes per annum to enable disposal of waste concrete stored under Category 62 and processed under Category 13.
Yarrie / Goldsworthy	NVCP CPS 5572/3 Goldsworthy (Amendment)	06 December 2025	• Extend the duration of the permit. • Amend the permit holder name to BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd. • Amalgamate the boundaries of CPS 5045/2 and CPS 5572/2 • Amalgamate the purposes of CPS 5045/2 and CPS 5572/2.
Yarrie / Goldsworthy	NVCP CPS 11343/1 Contaminated Sites Investigation South Goldsworthy (New)	09 March 2026	• New permit to undertake 15 ha of clearing for an off tenure Contaminated Sites investigation south of Goldsworthy
	NVCP CPS 11168/1 Contaminated Sites Investigations Yarrie – on tenure (New)	26 February 2026	• New permit to undertake 10 ha of clearing for an off tenure Contaminated Sites investigation south of Yarrie



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1.4 Land Disturbance

Table 1-4 Land disturbance summary

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total Disturbance 30/06/2025	Total Disturbance 30/06/2026
TOTAL	34,895	36,564

NB: Variation in totals may occur because individual values have been rounded to the nearest full number.
NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).
Values are for disturbance conducted under EP Act Part IV Ministerial Statements and Part V NVCPs.

1.5 Rehabilitation

Table 1-5 Rehabilitation summary

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total Rehabilitation 30/06/2025	Total Rehabilitation 30/06/2026
TOTAL	6,084	7,277

NB: Variation in totals may occur because individual values have been rounded to the nearest full number.
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Values are for rehabilitation conducted under EP Act Part IV Ministerial Statements and Part V NVCPs.

The below table provides the previous land use class (Mining Rehabilitation Fund (MRF) Category) for the total rehabilitation reported under the Ministerial Statements in this AER. Note that the previous land use has not been recorded for all rehabilitation, therefore, some rehabilitation previous land use type has been classified as '*Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table*' by default as per the corresponding MRF definitions.

Table 1-6 Land use (MRF classification) prior to rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements

Approval	Rehabilitation Stage	MRF Description - Previous Land Use	Area (ha)
303	Stage 1	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.52
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	6.84
	Stage 2	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	34.00
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	7.83
		Laydown or hardstand area	2.83
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	112.14
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	19.93
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	68.65
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1.41
393	Stage 2	Laydown or hardstand area	2.30
		Sewage pond	7.09
		Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	184.88
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	9.00
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	21.13
439	Stage 1	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.20
	Stage 2	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	11.76
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	18.84
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	4.68
		Topsoil stockpile	0.05
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	39.19
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	52.06
478	Stage 2	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	5.63
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.08
		Topsoil stockpile	1.70
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.33
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	17.03
679	Stage 2	Borefield	0.50
		Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.20
		Building (other than workshop) or camp site	12.20
		Dam fresh water	0.42
		Diversion channel or drain	130.07
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	36.97
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	8.77

Approval	Rehabilitation Stage	MRF Description - Previous Land Use	Area (ha)
		Landfill site	5.25
		Laydown or hardstand area	8.25
		Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	7.72
		Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	1.63
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	9.33
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	114.89
		Not Applicable	1.07
		Plant site	5.58
		Run-of-mine pad	11.88
		Sewage pond	8.15
		Topsoil stockpile	11.89
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	35.15
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	45.25
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	156.72
682	**Stage 1**	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.26
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.12
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0.03
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	4.97
		Topsoil stockpile	1.46
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	11.07
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	7.32
	Stage 2	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.23
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.48
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.91
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	118.82
814	**Stage 2**	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	27.97
		Laydown or hardstand area	4.91
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	4.93
818	**Stage 2**	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	127.08
1021	**Stage 1**	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	4.10
	Stage 2	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	7.32
1037	**Stage 1**	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	2.16
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	36.28
	Stage 2	Borefield	0.56
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	134.19
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	3.16
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	3.88
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	55.32
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	44.59
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	3.02
1072	**Stage 1**	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	142.04
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.89
		Landfill site	0.86
		Laydown or hardstand area	37.14
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	95.33
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	33.22
	Stage 2	Borefield	2.33
		Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	172.71
		Building (other than workshop) or camp site	1.63
		Core yard	2.20
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	849.64
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	3.55
		Laydown or hardstand area	84.89
		Landfill site	0.86
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1.06
		Run-of-mine pad	3.23
		Topsoil stockpile	5.35
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	191.20
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	91.91
1126	**Stage 1**	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.59
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	46.15

Approval	Rehabilitation Stage	MRF Description - Previous Land Use	Area (ha)
	Stage 2	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	86.78
		Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	179.76
		Laydown or hardstand area	1.07
		Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1.80
		Run-of-mine pad	82.46
		Topsoil stockpile	4.85
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	10.67
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	82.22
		Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	49.42
1105 (WR)	**Stage 2**	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	3.39
		Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.03
1105 (OB32 BWT)	**Stage 2**	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	23.16

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Section 7 of this document provides a detailed discussion on the rehabilitation activities undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period.

1.6 Biodiversity

1.6.1 Biological Surveys

BHP has undertaken 113 biological field surveys and monitoring activities during FY2026 to support environmental impact assessments, assess environmental risk, meet compliance requirements and inform management decision making. The survey scopes consist of flora and vegetation, vertebrate fauna, aquatic fauna, short- range endemic invertebrate fauna (SRE) and subterranean fauna baseline and targeted surveys across BHPs eastern, central and northern Pilbara tenure during the FY2026 reporting period. Fauna and vegetation monitoring surveys were also conducted within and outside of BHPs Pilbara tenure to address areas of identified environmental risk and compliance requirements.

1.6.2 Regional Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem Monitoring Program

During FY2026 BHP established a regional monitoring program within several Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs) within the Central Pilbara region. Locations were chosen that had similar ecohydrological characteristics to other GDEs currently being monitored as part of baseline approvals and/or site compliance programs, while being outside of any known impacts from BHP and/or third-party mining developments.

At each location, sites have been established to monitor aquatic ecology and riparian vegetation health:

- Aquatic ecology monitoring describes the aquatic and riparian habitats within and adjacent to water bodies and samples water quality, wetland and riparian flora and targeted fauna taxa including microinvertebrates, macroinvertebrates, fish and other aquatic vertebrates.
- Riparian vegetation monitoring includes digital canopy photography and visual health assessment of target tree species (*Melaleuca argentea* and *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*), and assessment of the flora assemblage with a focus on riparian and/or groundwater dependent taxa.

Water level sensors and motion cameras have been installed at each location to measure the hydroperiod of water bodies and record the presence of vertebrate fauna species.

The monitoring involves the participation of Banjima monitors and will be ongoing on a biannual basis (dry season and post-wet season). This monitoring program will provide context on the influence of climatic trends and other regional influences on GDE health, to help improve understanding of inherit variability in comparison to current or future potential mining related impacts.

1.6.3 Biodiversity Research Projects

During the FY2026 reporting year, BHP has undertaken several biodiversity research projects and collaborated with industry partners and research institutions to fill identified gaps in relevant biological knowledge. BHP continues to sponsor the WA Biodiversity Science Institute (WABSI) and to support industry collaboration and research projects through WABSI, aligned to their purpose and strategic plan. BHP also directly sponsors and contributes to WABSIs Subterranean fauna and Biodiversity Data and Information Management programs. Information on these programs is available on the WABSI web portal. A summary of other research projects is provided below:

Remote Sensing Groundwater Dependent Vegetation (GDV) Monitoring Tool

BHP is continuing to be a project partner together with other miners, Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) and Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction (DBCA) with support from Geoscience Australia and FrontierSI in the co-development of automated methods to assist environmental monitoring programs. In stage 1, 2 and 3 of the project, a suite of models were developed in conjunction with Curtin University, that target identifying and monitoring

change in health of GDV. These novel models improved GDV identification beyond the standard practice through an ensemble model including phenological characterisation and methods for detection of GDV decline. BHP continued to be a partner in a further phase of the project which commenced in FY2026, ENVestigator Next Generation.

Building on capabilities already developed, the latest phase of the project will continue expanding ENVestigator through to 2028 with enhanced groundwater dependent vegetation modelling and scientific validation, automated environmental reporting, and new tools for mapping and tracking waterbodies over time. It will also transition the ENVestigator platform to a more scalable cloud-based architecture, enabling faster processing of large satellite datasets and easier access through web-based interfaces and integration with ArcGIS environments.

The GDV modelling tool has been used to develop a map of prospective GDV across BHPs entire Central Pilbara, East Pilbara and Yandicoogina regions, to assist in prioritising areas of interest for on-ground assessment. It has also been applied in BHPs Central Pilbara tenements to review GDV health over time and in response to climate variations and relative to similar known GDV locations.

Fauna Habitat Design Criteria for Mine Site Rehabilitation.

BHP has continued to support Dr Holly Bradley (Curtin University) within its operations and with funding to develop and cultivate a collaborative partnership with multiple industry partners to establish a Fauna Habitat Design Criteria Research Group at Curtin University. Mine site rehabilitation provides extensive opportunity to support nature-positive outcomes through the reestablishment of functional, resilient ecosystems. To support this goal and facilitate fauna return to rehabilitated areas, the aim of this project is to conduct case study research focussed on conservation significant fauna (such as Ghost Bats and Northern Quolls) and culturally significant fauna (such as varanids) to better understand their ecological and physiological requirements to optimise the design of artificial habitat. The overall aim is for the case study research to support the development of Fauna Habitat Design Criteria National Guidelines. Dr Bradley's project has secured an ARC Early Career Industry Fellowship and commitment from several Pilbara based companies and has commenced with student familiarisation and research planning in the 2026 financial year.

Pilbara Olive Python Monitoring Program

BHPs Pilbara Olive Python (*Liasis olivaceus barroni*) Monitoring Program has generated significant new insights into the movement ecology, habitat use, and population dynamics of this cryptic and threatened species across the Pilbara region. Through an integrated approach combining targeted field surveys, radio telemetry, and molecular analysis, the program has identified critical habitat features, including rocky uplands, gorge systems, and artificial waterbodies, as essential components of the species' home range.

Radio telemetry tracking of 65 individual Pilbara Olive Pythons across nine study locations has revealed clear seasonal shifts in activity patterns, as well as strong associations with permanent water sources. These findings have enabled the identification of key dispersal corridors and core habitat areas, providing an improved understanding of spatial ecology and habitat connectivity.

Genetic sampling from tissue, scats, and sloughed skins has facilitated individual identification and contributed to an expanding dataset used to assess population structure and connectivity across the region. Collectively, these outcomes support improved management and conservation of Pilbara Olive Pythons within and adjacent to development areas, while also contributing to broader regional conservation objectives.

The program has established a robust scientific foundation for ongoing research, including a PhD project, and has already resulted in the publication of a peer-reviewed journal article documenting a natural history observation of intraspecific predation (cannibalism). In addition, the program continues to support research delivery for a PhD candidate, with further findings to be disseminated through peer-reviewed publications and academic presentations as part of the candidate's research outputs.

Ghost Bats

Direct and indirect impacts to Ghost bat populations have been identified as an important area of consideration for BHP, as the species is highly dependent on roosts within caves that co-occur in geologies associated with ore deposits. To better understand the potential mining impacts to the species and to continuously improve our mitigation of these impacts, BHP has undertaken several research projects and trials in collaboration with experts in particular fields.

- Ghost Bat Noise Exposure Study
  There is currently limited scientific evidence to inform noise level limits set at ghost bat roosts. BHP has commissioned a noise exposure trial utilising the captive ghost bat colony at the Perth Zoo. The trial, approved by the Perth Zoo Animal Ethics Committee, played a set of increasing noise levels to the colony while observing any behavioural changes in response to levels. Ghost bat scat was collected and analysed for stress hormones to detect if a stress response is occurring that could not be observed in their behaviour. The study is ongoing but initial results have indicated no stress or behaviour response to noise levels up to 70 dB. Further stages of the study on wild bats at natural roosts are hoped to provide data to support appropriate noise thresholds at ghost bat roosts.
- Use of Acoustic Lures to Attract Ghost Bats to Artificial Roosts
  The use of acoustic lures has been shown to be an effective means of attracting ghost bats to an area for presence sampling as part of broader scale landscape surveys. BHP conducted a trial at the Mining Area C artificial roost to assess whether lures could be used to fast-track colonisation of an artificial ghost bat roost. However, the results of that study were inconclusive, with numerous potential other contributing factors which may have had a greater influence on

the lack of species detection at the artificial roost. Another trial has been commissioned and is currently being established at MAC/SF to further assess the use of acoustic lures in attracting ghost bats to artificial roosts.

- Real-time Monitoring Trial
  BHP conducted trials of real-time acoustic monitoring equipment at threatened bat roosts. There were multiple objectives of these trials, including minimising impacts to threatened bats from repeated cave entry and reducing risk to personnel from cave collapse during monitoring, while providing real time data of bat activity, that enables more timely response to identified issues. Trials illustrated that although real-time monitoring is still in a development phase, it is a viable alternative to traditional monitoring methods depending on the exact objectives of the monitoring program. BHP will continue to support development and use of real-time monitoring equipment and machine learning to assist in improved management of threatened bat species and significant roosts.
- Vertical and Horizontal Flight Distances
  Historically, technology has not existed that enabled suitably sized sensors to be fixed to bats to record flight data. Leveraging new technology, ghost bat trapping and satellite tagging scopes were conducted to gain information on ghost bat flight heights and vertical distances during foraging. Information on how high ghost bats fly when travelling to foraging grounds has not previously been collected in the Pilbara and could be essential in minimising impacts to ghost bats from wind power projects. Results from the application of new technology in this project are still being collated and analysed.

1.7 Air Quality Monitoring and Management

The Pilbara is characterised by an arid, semi-desert environment with extreme heat, low and highly variable rainfall, and generally sparse vegetation cover. These conditions, together with dry and often fine surface soils, create naturally high dust potential. Dust generation can increase during prolonged drought, periods of strong prevailing winds and after bushfires, when vegetation loss leaves soils exposed to wind erosion. At times, stable atmospheric conditions (including temperature inversions) can reduce vertical mixing and contribute to elevated near-ground dust concentrations. BHPs operational activities - including blasting, excavation, material handling, transport and processing - can also contribute to ambient dust levels. Accordingly, effective dust management remains a critical focus across BHPs Pilbara operations.

Air quality at BHPs operations is regulated under Part V Prescribed Premises Licences and Part IV Ministerial Statements, which set specific requirements for controls, monitoring and reporting.

Air Quality Management – Port

In FY2026, BHPs Port Operations progressed a series of dust and noise abatement projects in accordance with Licence L4513/1969/18.

Stage 1B and 2A dust and noise control infrastructure was installed in licence-prescribed areas, including:

- Installed ultra-low-noise idlers along conveyors to reduce noise emissions.
- Installed noise shields at conveyor drives to reduce noise emissions.
- Installed belt wash stations to minimise carry-back and reduce fugitive dust.
- Installed stockpile water cannons that ensure full coverage of the stockpile surface with water.
- Constructed a reclaimer fitted with boom sprays designed to direct water toward the stockpile surface and reclaiming buckets.
- Installed Type A and Type B wind fences at Finucane Island (West Yard) to reduce wind-driven dust lift-off from stockpiles.
- Installed a wind fence at Nelson Point (South Yard) to reduce wind-driven dust lift-off from stockpiles.

Environmental Compliance Reports for Stage 1B and 2A were submitted to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) following the completion of each installation stage.

Monitoring Enhancements

FY2026 saw Black Carbon Monitors installed at the Port to help identify bushfire-related particulate contributions and improve reporting efficiency.

Additional FY2026 Operational Improvements

- The chute protection device upgrades to improve sensitivity and reduce spill events continued in FY2026 and will progress until all upgrades are completed.
- Belt wash nozzle systems continued to be upgraded to improve spray coverage, equipment utilisation, and dust suppression efficiency. This program continued into FY2026 and will remain ongoing until upgrades are completed.
- A dedicated water stand was installed at Port to provide site and project water carts with access to up to 120,000 litres per day of dewatering discharge and stormwater for dust suppression as part of PDP2/CD6 activities.
- The relocation of the Bulk Ore Conditioning (BOC) spray to better manage moisture addition to lump product and reduce dust lift-off has been completed.

Trial of low-cost dust cluster sensors at Port to improve localised source identification by increasing sensor coverage, enhancing data visualisation, and establishing alert services. Support for the Port Hedland Dust Management Taskforce

BHP continues to support the implementation of recommendations from the Port Hedland Dust Management Taskforce Report. This includes supporting the Port Hedland Industry Council (PHIC) to update the cumulative noise study and working with PHIC and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to develop and implement Dust Management Guidelines.

BHP will progress a dust exceedance investigation dashboard to strengthen investigation outcomes, with the investigation methodology aligned in collaboration with DWER's Dust Regulatory Guideline.

Air Quality Management – Newman

At Newman Operations, dust control activities in FY2026 were progressed in accordance with Licences L4503/1975/14 and L6942/1997/13 in licence-prescribed areas, including:

- Installation of tipping hopper sprays at Newman OHP2 and OHP3.
- Replacement of screen top covers at Newman OHP4.
- Installation of partial enclosure at the Newman OHP2 secondary crusher shuttle conveyor.
- Replacement of meteorological station WBWS001 (Whaleback AWS).
- Network Improvement Plan – The proposed installation of the OB24 Beta Attenuation Monitor (reported in the FY2025 report) was reviewed. The investigation confirmed existing monitoring stations already capture the required dust trajectory information; DWER was informed and approved the change.
- Black Carbon Monitors were installed to help identify bushfire-related particulate contributions and improve reporting efficiency.
- Installation of a Beta Attenuation Monitor at Capricorn Oval to support the investigation of alternate locations for the Newman Town Centre ambient air monitors, to address recognised siting limitations at the current location. Monitoring will continue at both locations throughout FY2027.
- Ongoing rehabilitation of overburden stockpile areas.
- A blast plume predictive tool was trialled to support more effective dust management during blasting predicting dust plumes. The program will continue to progress throughout FY2027.
- Ongoing installation of additional water standpipes at Western Ridge will continue into FY2027, with design finalised for Eastern Ridge but not yet constructed.
- A laboratory trial by Curtin University's WA School of Mines completed initial tests comparing different commercial road dust suppressants with site specific ore and water.
- A separate laboratory trial by Curtin University's Bio-Active Materials Laboratory tested their newly developed biocementation product for suppressing road dust.

Other Air Quality Improvements Across the Pilbara

In addition to site-specific programs, broader initiatives were delivered across BHPs Pilbara operations to enhance forecasting, data systems, and monitoring reliability. These included:

- The installation of two new E Samplers at Ore Body 31 JMB operations for the purpose of monitoring dust impact on the Acacia tree population.
- Ongoing optimisation of the WAIO air quality monitoring network.
- Enhanced Newman, Port and Area C real-time dashboards to improve visibility of real-time data, operational response times, and support management of dust control infrastructure and asset operating status.
- Standardised logic checks and automated data quality controls across moisture data, equipment operating status and monitoring network inputs, including meteorological station data and investigation records.

Air Quality Performance

Performance against licence requirements for both Port and Mine operations in FY2026 is detailed in Sections 2 and 3 of this AER.

Planned Improvements for FY2027

BHPs FY2027 planned improvements include:

- Undertake an audit of Nelson Point licence-prescribed dust control equipment (excluding stockyard cannons) to validate asset performance and fitness for purpose, and to identify priority improvement opportunities to strengthen dust control outcomes.
- Assess opportunities to optimise stockyard water cannon performance at priority WAIO sites to enhance dust control outcomes.
- Embed Standardised Work across our operations to enable consistent, field-led task execution, strengthen best-practice documentation, and improve asset lifecycle decision-making. This commitment will enhance workforce efficiency, improve planning accuracy, and support sustained performance of dust control infrastructure through continuous improvement.

- Progress the development and implementation of a water cart utilisation dashboard across WAIO mining areas to support dust management decision-making by analysing water cart activity in high-use areas, supporting the identification of high-risk locations, and enabling prioritised watering schedules to strengthen dust management practices.
- Continue to develop and standardise equipment utilisation dashboards across WAIO sites, including Jimblebar and Yandi, to provide consistent visibility of asset performance and utilisation to support planning and operational decision-making.
- BHP will expand the low-cost Dust Cluster sensor deployment at Port in FY2027 to improve localised source identification by increasing sensor coverage, enhancing data visualisation, and establishing alert services.

1.8 Noise Management

BHP manages noise impacts by modelling emissions prior to construction of new infrastructure and implementing appropriate controls to mitigate noise impacts.

Through BHPs involvement with the PHIC, BHP supports the maintenance of a Cumulative Environmental Noise Model for the Port Hedland area, as supported in 2018 by the State Government. In FY2026, BHP undertook planned maintenance of all conveyor infrastructure and continued to collect biannual operational and community noise measurements to ensure that modelled outcomes were delivered on time. The installation of ultra-low noise idlers and noise shields at conveyor drives required under Port licence Stages 1B and 2A were completed in FY2025. The installation of ultra-low noise idlers and noise shields at conveyor drives required under Port licence Stages 2B and 2C are currently in planning phase.

1.9 Waste and Tailings Management

1.9.1 Waste Management

BHP is committed to sustainable development. BHPs Waste Management strategy is to minimise and manage waste streams generated in a manner that is environmentally responsible, complies with statutory requirements and reduces liability.

In FY2026, BHP continued to develop and improve its knowledge base and efficacy in managing legacy waste across WAIO sites through progressing legacy waste improvement projects across all sites and maintaining an active contaminated sites program. Landfarm operational improvements were made at several WAIO sites, including Yandi, MAC and Jimblebar, with the site planning phase continuing at Newman Operations in FY2026.

In May 2026, WAIO completed an external audit of its Environmental Management System, which included legacy waste management. The audit identified that WAIO had made solid progress on waste management improvements in FY2026, across all operations. In FY2027, WAIO will continue to progress the Waste Management Strategy, which focuses on improving waste management performance through legacy waste management, capital compliance projects, contractor oversight, standardised operational controls, industry benchmarking and engagement with stakeholders to identify partnership opportunities and align with community expectations.

1.9.2 Tailings Management

There is one Beneficiation Plant at BHPs Pilbara operations, located at the Newman Operations. Ore with a lower iron concentration is processed through the Newman Beneficiation Plant, removing some of the non-ferrous material. Product from the plant is conveyed to stockpiles while two forms of waste are produced: solid reject material (greater than 45 µm) and tailings material (less than 45 µm).

The tailings materials are thickened and pumped to a Tailings Storage Facility (TSF), while the overflow (or clarified water) is recycled in the Beneficiation Plant. The tailings material is evenly distributed around the TSF via a network of pipes, valves and spigots to ensure tailings are spread over a large surface area to allow for drying and consolidation. Water is recovered from the TSF to improve consolidation and to recycle as much water as possible for re-use in the Beneficiation Plant. During the FY2026 reporting period, 0.74 Mt of tailings material was deposited at the TSF. The tailings material is inert and contains only minor concentrations of flocculants, posing a negligible risk to the receiving environment.

Studies and designs were completed for a wall raise on TSF3 during FY2026, with the wall raise scheduled for execution in H1 of FY2027. Deposition of tailings was predominantly to TSF1 during the year as TSF3 was approaching full capacity. Approximately 0.74 Mt of tailings material was deposited at the TSF during FY2026, around 0.2 Mt lower than the previous reporting period. This decrease reflects lower beneficiation throughput and variations in ore quality processed during the year, which reduced the quantity of fines reporting to the tailings stream. Tailings generation remained within expected ranges and aligned with planned operational performance.

1.10 Acid and Metalliferous Drainage

BHP has a global Mined Materials Management Standard addressing acid and metalliferous drainage (AMD) management, physical testing in support of landform design, spontaneous combustion, fibrous minerals and naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORMs), as applicable. The Mined Materials Management Global Standard is consistent with the WAIO AMD Management Standard that has been applied across all iron ore operations, to support a proactive and planned approach to characterising, assessing and managing AMD related challenges and opportunities.

BHPs global Mined Materials Management Standard and WAIO's AMD Management Standard outline minimum requirements for consistent AMD management across all functions and operations.

In 2026 WAIO has commenced a revision of several guidelines, standards and specifications underpinning AMD and geochemical risk management to line up the documentation with current best practice, remove duplications across documents, and identify clear roles and responsibilities, as detailed below.

In addition to site specific AMD programs, the focus of FY2026 has been continuing cross-deposit investigation programs aimed at understanding the geochemical properties of mine waste across key geological domains. Geochemical properties of materials are driven by mineralogical composition, which is approximated by sulphur grade, availability of Acid Neutralising Capacity (ANC) and local environmental conditions (above/below water table, weathering type which in turn control mineralogy). It is unlikely that material with the same sulphur grade and ANC and local environmental conditions will behave differently. These investigations have the objective of providing a unified understanding of the geochemistry of materials mined across WAIO deposits, provide validation of the algorithms used in the distribution models, and allow leveraging of data across comparable material domains regardless of the deposit of origin.

Specific AMD-related initiatives in FY2026 included:

- Completion of routine internal audits to verify that AMD management controls are in place and being used across WAIO operations.
- Alternative dumping strategies development, at Mt Whaleback Overburden Storage Areas (OSAs) (W28 and W39) and in-pit storage area (ISA) (W38), supported by thermo-geochemical modelling to improve productivity while maintaining safe and sustainable dumping practices. Learning from these models will be utilised to develop and in support of WAIO wide dumping strategies, as applicable.
- Continued geochemical monitoring of OSAs at Mt Whaleback to support identification of informed closure options.
- Scoping instrumentation options for OSA and ISA at Mt Whaleback at W38 and W28 to verify thermo-geochemical models.
- Developed of an R&D program to assess the feasibility to implement a non-invasive methodology to measure gas flux through the surface of selected OSA/ISA at Mt Whaleback. If this program is successful, it will allow verification of gas transport models in support of defining gas exchanges between the ISA and the local surrounding environment (i.e. pit void).
- Consultation activities continued at Mt Goldsworthy in preparation for a contaminated site detailed site investigation focused on reported AMD.
- Continued routine geochemical testing to characterise potential AMD sources, verify the WAIO AMD classification system and identify improvements; collected 49 reverse circulation chip samples and 54 m of diamond core from drilling programs to be assessed for further geochemical test work; of these materials, 100 samples were selected for laboratory testing, on the basis of sulphur concentration, inferred ANC, AMD classification and identified data gaps.
- Project specific collection and testwork of 29 samples sourced from across 116 holes drilled into the Jimblebar 3W/AX12 OSA to inform the review of the closure strategy for that OSA.
- Continued scoping and implementation of targeted environmental geochemical sampling programs across WAIO operations to support projects and internal improvements – this includes a detailed multi-year program to define geochemical hazards of mined materials classified as AMD2 and AMD3 to inform waste management and assess the behaviour of various AMD classes of mined materials under various environmental conditions, including saturated conditions.
- Scoping and initiation of a geochemical monitoring program to assess how aged sulphidic waste (aka AMD1 material) may affect water quality when used in below water table backfill.
- Continued operational in-pit sampling and testing of waste blocks to validate geochemical classification (testing restricted to primary assay).
- Commenced AMD risk assessment for R deposit and Eastern Ridge. The former is a new deposit; the latter includes a series of mined out pits that were originally assessed prior to the implementation of the current AMD algorithms.
- Scoped a program to support operations to better predict and manage poor water quality from pit wall run off from exposed AMD1 areas.
- Rolled out an updated algorithm to better reflect the geochemical nature of AMD2 type waste. This new algorithm recognises that the main acid generating minerals in weathered waste (aka when located above the water table) is alunite and not pyrite. This change was supported by the outcome of geochemical investigations completed in prior FY reporting cycles.
- Continued R&D (i.e. lysimeters) project on measuring and monitoring net percolation through cover system designs in collaboration with UWA, Kings Park and Okane Consultants.
- Progressed update of the geochemical database, including addition of new variables associated with extended geochemical and physical testwork; developed procedures to allow uploads of geochemical data that were not previously included in the database; developed routine to upload mineralogical data, among others.
- Ongoing update of guidance documents related to the management of chemically and physically hazardous mined materials, including the development of a decision framework to optimise landform locations for greenfield projects. These include: update on completing desktop geo-environmental source hazard assessment (prior referred to as AMD Risk Assessments), development of a new management plan document for landforms containing waste at potential for AMD and self-ignition (in draft, previously partly addressed in the WAIO AMD Management Standard, Reactive Ground

and AMD Potential: Mining Design and Dumping Process Instruction, and Mines Closure Design Guidance documents); management specifications for chemically hazardous materials (e.g. waste at potential for AMD generation, self-ignition, or leaching of constituents of environmental concerns; document to replace the WAIO Acid and Metalliferous Drainage Management Technical Process Instruction).

- Sampling of Jimblebar OB18 pit water.
- Western Ridge, OB29/30/35, Mt Whaleback and Eastern Ridge completed a conceptual post-closure groundwater source pathway receptor (SPR) assessment and review of the current groundwater monitoring network to inform the development of an optimised groundwater monitoring network with the aim to develop baseline water quality for closure completion criteria. Continued with targeted drilling program to increase current ground water monitoring network.
- Continued a geotechnical and geochemical drilling program to continue investigations of the hydrogeological setting of W39/ARD facility at Mt Whaleback.

During FY2026, BHP has initiated and/or completed project-specific work to support informed mined material management and landform design, including:

- Developed a dashboard to track waste from source to destination (point destination, i.e. OSA/ISA). The tool tracks the movement of a volume of waste from the pit of origin to the storage location (destination) and is operational for beneficial and hazardous waste.
- Developed and implemented a process to support the strategic planning for and management of beneficial (e.g. armouring) waste, including scoping sampling opportunities and testing requirements. In particular, in FY2026 WAIO has completed a knowledge base data collation and review, definition of knowledge gaps, and commenced a laboratory testwork program to assess on a large scale (about 300 samples identified for testwork) properties such as fertility, water retention, durability in support of informing identification of waste types to be utilised for armouring, rehabilitation support, and/or construction of store and release covers.
- Developed a WAIO-wide dashboard to better visualise geochemical testwork results, by linking the tool to the geochemical database.

BHP is an active member of the International Network for Acid Prevention (INAP), a mining industry group formed to help meet challenges and liabilities associated with AMD. BHP is a sponsoring member of the CRCTiME program (FY2026 being the last year of this program), which, among others, covers AMD related topics.

Details regarding AMD management for the various mine sites are included in other sections of this report.

1.11 Environmental Events

BHP has an internal environmental events reporting system. Employees are required to enter event details including a brief description, risk ranking, key learnings, root cause and preventative or corrective actions taken.

During FY2026, there were no unauthorised discharge environmental events that met the threshold for reporting under Section 72 of the EP Act, as the events did not and were not likely to cause pollution or environmental harm.

Notification was provided to the Regulator regarding three potential events during the FY, however subsequent investigation into the events resulted in re-classification and determination that S72 notification was not required.

All non-compliances with the conditions of DWER Licences and Ministerial Statements during FY2026, including associated corrective actions, are detailed in Sections 2 and 3.

2 Operating Licences

2.1 L4412/1987/8

The Nimingarra mining area (Nimingarra Mine) is an open-cut operation located approximately 200 kilometres by road east-southeast of Port Hedland. Operations at the Nimingarra Mine are currently suspended; however, routine inspections of infrastructure and key environmental risks continue to be carried out during this period. When in operation, iron ore is processed and transported from the mine to Port Hedland via rail.

The operation is covered by EP Act Licence L4412/1987/8 issued by DWER.

Pursuant to the Notice of Amendment of Reporting Requirements issued by DWER on 16 May 2022, only an Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) is required henceforth. The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the license.

Government of Western Australia
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L4412/1987/8	Licence file number:	DER2014/001168-1
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 **to** 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☒ Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☐ No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of Actual Production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	0 Mtpa
63 – Class I inert landfill site	28 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:		Date(s) of non-compliance:	
Details of non-compliance:			
N/A			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
N/A			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
N/A			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

[1] It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.
[2] AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

2.2 L4503/1975/14

Licence L4503/1975/14 covers mining operations at Mt Whaleback, Orebodies 29, 30 and 35, and Western Ridge. This compliance report documents compliance with Licence L4503/1975/14 for the reporting period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

A licence amendment application was submitted to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) in October 2056 and is currently under assessment. Through this amendment, BHP is seeking approval to increase authorised surplus water disposal volumes, incorporate associated infrastructure and works approval requirements, update monitoring and environmental management requirements, revise site plans and infrastructure details, and make minor administrative amendments to align the licence with current operations and regulatory approvals.

Where applicable, data has been presented collectively in a single table, with the relevant licence conditions and tables referenced accordingly.

Throughput limits

Condition 1 – Throughput Limits

During the FY2026 reporting period, there was no exceedance of the licence production or design capacity limits (Table 2-1). The annual throughput recorded was 72,000,000 tonnes, below production capacity limits.

Table 2-1 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2026 actual production

Category	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026	FY2026 actual production
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	80,000,000 t per annual period	72,000,000 tonnes
6	Mine dewatering	12,300,000 t per annual period	10,704,323 tonnes
54	Sewage facility	183.2 m^3/day	60.25 m^3/day
61	Liquid waste facility	9,348,600 t per annual period	0 tonnes
64	Class II putrescible landfill site	14,500 t per annual period	1,574.1 tonnes
73	Bulk storage of chemicals, etc.	13,000 m^3	11,681 m^3

Infrastructure and equipment

Condition 2 – Infrastructure and equipment

In accordance with Condition 2, site infrastructure and equipment listed Schedule 4 was maintained and operated in accordance with the corresponding operational requirement set out in Tables 15 and 16 of Schedule 4.

There were three non-compliances in the FY2026 reporting period against Condition 2, Schedule 4 (Table 16), where infrastructure/equipment was not operated in line with the requirements stipulated in the Licence. These include:

- Bioremediation facilities liner permeability and facility design specifications – Schedule 4, Table 16 (item 9)
- Whaleback front gate effluent overflow events (February and March 2026) – Schedule 4, Table 16 (item 1)
- Hub STP evaporation pond overtopping – Schedule 4, Table 16 (item 1)

A summary of each of these events can be found in the AACR.

Condition 3 – Average monthly performance of dust control infrastructure

During FY2026, all dust control infrastructure achieved the equipment availability requirement of 90 per cent or greater under Condition 3. Results are presented in the table below.

Table 2-2 FY2026 average monthly performance of dust control infrastructure

Date	Target	BOC Spray	BOOM Spray	Dust Collector	Stockpile Cannon	Transfer Station Spray
Jul-25	90%	97.96%	99.92%	97.47%	100.00%	98.11%
Aug-25		98.16%	97.33%	98.43%	100.00%	99.60%
Sep-25		95.38%	93.97%	96.75%	99.82%	99.78%
Oct-25		94.08%	97.75%	95.82%	98.30%	93.74%
Nov-25		99.12%	99.88%	98.32%	98.82%	99.52%
Dec-25		97.83%	94.83%	96.41%	97.24%	99.54%
Jan-26		98.20%	94.41%	99.07%	98.97%	99.09%
Feb-26		97.48%	98.44%	96.94%	85.77%	98.19%
Mar-26		96.84%	99.71%	96.79%	94.94%	96.16%
Apr-26		98.08%	99.32%	99.91%	99.64%	96.67%
May-26		91.69%	98.10%	96.73%	99.73%	93.99%
Jun-26		97.02%	98.92%	98.33%	99.86%	98.77%

Condition 4 and 5– Dust Control Equipment Inventory

The Dust Control Equipment, relevant operational requirement and infrastructure location, captured in Schedule 4 (Table 15) have been maintained throughout the FY2026 reporting period. No dust control equipment has been removed during the reporting period.

Further works

Condition 6 – Construction/installation of new infrastructure/equipment

During the FY2026 reporting period, several items of infrastructure/equipment were installed, as stipulated under Condition 6 of the Licence. The Environmental Compliance Report (ECR) for Dust Control and Monitoring Infrastructure was submitted to DWER 17 March 2026 to satisfy the requirements of Condition 6, 8 and 9.

There were two non-compliances against condition 6:

- OHP4 Screenhouse: Final screenhouse cover installation was completed on 16 February 2026, exceeding the required completion date of 31 December 2025.
- Replacement Meteorological Station (WBWS001): Installation of AWS002 was completed in December 2025, after the required completion date of 30 September 2025.

A detailed summary of each non-compliances event can be found in the AACR.

A summary of compliance, based on the Air Quality (AQ) Environmental Compliance Report (ECR) submission, is presented in the table below.

Table 2-3 Dust control and monitoring infrastructure/equipment to be constructed / installed

Infrastructure / Equipment	June 2025 to June 2026		Compliance Status	Comment
	Item	Required completion date		
OHP2 and OHP3 truck unloading hoppers	1	30 November 2025	Compliant	Hopper sprays were installed on 25 November 2025.
OHP4 screenhouse	2	31 December 2025	Non-Compliant	Installation of the final OHP4 screenhouse cover was completed on 16 February 2026. Refer to AACR for more detail.
OHP2 Secondary Crusher	3	30 November 2025	Compliant	M101 shuttle transfer partial enclosure was installed 23 October 2025
VVVF Drive Upgrade Procurement	4	30 June 2025	Compliant	Structural and electrical design upgrades were completed November 2024. Spare equipment has been procured should replacement be required.
Mobile screening Plant	5	Prior to operation of plant	Compliant	Complete list of evidence required by Condition 9(a) was provided. Refer to AACR for more detail.
PM_{10} monitor	6	30 June 2025	Compliant	Installation completed June 2024
WBAQRT017 monitor	7	30 June 2025	Compliant	Relocation occurred on 17 June 2025.
WBAQRT027 monitor	8	30 June 2025	Compliant	Relocation occurred on 16 June 2025.
Replacement meteorological station for WBWS001 – Whaleback AWS	9	30 September 2025	Non-Compliant	Installation for AWS002 was completed December 2025. Refer to AACR for more detail.

Condition 7 – Landfill Infrastructure

During the FY2026 reporting period, no new construction and/or installation of authorised landfill infrastructure as specified in Table 2 of the Licence (including new inert landfill, new putrescible landfill or two new asbestos disposal areas) was completed, therefore no corresponding Environmental Compliance Reports were required for items specified in Table 2 of the Licence during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 8 and 9 – Environmental Compliance Reporting

All infrastructure and equipment specified in Table 1 were completed for compliance against approved design and construction requirements. The Environmental Compliance Report (ECR) for Dust Control and Monitoring Infrastructure, required under Condition 6, was submitted to DWER 17 March 2026, and the full suite of evidence required under Condition 9(a) to demonstrate compliance for the mobile screening plant have been collected.

As noted in the FY2025 AER, the relocation of WBAQRT017 occurred on 16 June 2025 and WBAQRT027 was relocated on 19 June 2025 in accordance with Table 1 and the specified licence completion date of 30 June 2025. The Environmental Compliance Report for WBAQRT027 and WBAQRT017 was submitted on 10 September 2025, which is outside the 30-calendar day window required under Condition 8. A summary of this non-compliance can be found in the AACR.

Condition 10 – Landfill specifications

There has been no works undertaken in relation to Condition 7 (Table 2) in relation to authorised landfill infrastructure to be constructed and the associated specifications (design and construction).

Condition 11 – Newman Town Centre ambient air monitor replacement investigation

During the FY2026 reporting period, BHP progressed the investigation required by Condition 11 through selection, approval, installation and commissioning of an alternative ambient air monitoring station at the Newman Town Oval location. The station was commissioned on 26 June 2026, with BHP providing notification to DWER of installation on 13 August 2026. While no non-compliances with Condition 11 occurred during the FY2026 reporting period, BHP has

notified DWER that the delay to install the alternative monitor at the Newman Town Oval location – due to third-party approval processes – will result in a non-compliance to the achievement of 12 months of data collection by 31 January 2027, as required under Condition 11. This non-compliance falls within the FY2027 reporting period and will be captured in the FY2027 AACR.

Dust monitoring and management

Condition 12 – Air quality monitoring network

Air quality monitoring for dust and meteorological conditions in accordance with Table 3 of the Licence was completed for the FY2026 reporting period. Air quality monitoring data obtained in accordance with Table 3 is reported in a data file as per Schedule 6 requirements.

During the FY2026 monitoring period, one non-compliance was identified against air quality monitoring against Table 3 of the Licence relating to the licence requirement of 'continuous' data collection on an annual period for the AT796 weather station. Further details on the non-compliances can be found in the AACR.

Condition 13 - Monitoring and management response

During the FY2026 reporting period, exceedance of dust concentrations at the boundary monitor WBAQRT031 and ambient (WBAQRT010, WBAQRT023 and WBAQRT006) monitoring locations against the management trigger criteria of total number of days with 24-hour average PM_{10} readings of 70µg/m^3 or above and exceedances per monitor stipulated in Table 4 of the Licence is summarised in Table 2-4 and Table 2-5. Instances where dust concentrations (as PM_{10} and/or $PM_{2.5}$) at the monitoring locations, listed in column 1 of Table 4 have been recorded within the BHP Air Quality Management System (AQMS).

Table 2-4 Reportable events FY2025 and FY2026 reporting period

Year	Newman 1 Town Centre		Newman 3 Town East	Boundary monitor
	WBAQRT010 (PM_{10})	WBAQRT023 ($PM_{2.5}$)	WBAQRT006 (PM_{10})	WBAQRT031 (PM_{10})
FY2025	22	2	9	0
FY2026	31	1	27	4

A summary of the instances in which the 24-hr average exceeded the DWER licence targets stipulated in Table 4 of the Licence has been included below and the reportable event criteria for each of the monitoring stations is:

- Boundary monitor – WBAQRT031 reportable event criteria ≥200 µg/m^3 PM_{10} (rolling 24-hour average) when wind direction is averaged between wind arc 210° and 270° inclusive, for any 12 or more hours (cumulative) over the rolling 24-hour averaging period
- Ambient monitor (Newman 1 Town Centre) – WBAQRT010 reportable event criteria ≥70 µg/m^3 PM_{10} (24-hour average measured midnight to midnight)
- Ambient monitor (Newman 3 Town East) – WBAQRT006 reportable event criteria ≥70 µg/m^3 PM_{10} (24-hour average measured midnight to midnight)
- Ambient monitor (Town Centre $PM_{2.5}$) – WBAQRT023 reportable event criteria ≥25 ug/m^3 $PM_{2.5}$ (24-hour average measured midnight to midnight)

Each of these events were investigated as per the licence requirements and quarterly reports submitted to DWER in accordance with the Schedule 5 quarterly reporting requirements. Please note that there may be discrepancies between the PM_{10} readings in the quarterly reports submitted for the FY2026 reporting period and the details below as the deadlines for report submissions can occur before the validated data set was available.

A total of 47 reportable events were recorded across the Newman monitoring network during FY2026. Exceedances occurred at the Newman 1 (Town Centre), Newman 3 (Town East) and Whaleback Gatehouse Boundary monitoring locations. Of the total reportable events, 43 were PM_{10} exceedance days within the town of Newman, including one day that also exceeded the $PM_{2.5}$ criterion. BHP was assessed as having contributed to 29 of these PM_{10} exceedance days. The remaining four events were Boundary Exceedances, three of which coincided with town exceedance days. The higher number of reportable events relative to FY2025 is considered to be primarily due to significantly reduced rainfall across the region and the persistence of adverse inversion meteorological conditions.

Table 2-5 FY2026 total number of reportable event criteria exceedance days

Period	Date	Classification	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT010)	Newman 3 Town East (WBAQRT006)	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT023)	Whaleback Gatehouse Boundary WBAQRT031
			*Single reportable event			
			(>70) PM_{10} µg/m^3		(>25) PM_{10} µg/m^3	(≥200) PM_{10} µg/m^3
Q1	1/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	57.4	76	–	–
	2/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	46.9	110.3	–	–
	3/07/2025	BHP Contributable	92.3	101.2	–	–
	6/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	24.3	70.6	–	–
	12/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	35.1	71.9	–	–
	13/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	52.8	74.3	–	–
	14/07/2025	BHP Contributable	84.3	59	–	–
	14/07/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	230.4
	20/07/2025	BHP Contributable	67.6	77.5	–	–
	20/08/2025	BHP Contributable	92.4	89.4	–	–

Period	Date	Classification	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT010)	Newman 3 Town East (WBAQRT006)	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT023)	Whaleback Gatehouse Boundary WBAQRT031
			*Single reportable event			
			(>70) PM_{10} µg/m^3		(>25) PM_{10} µg/m^3	(≥200) PM_{10} µg/m^3
	2/09/2025	BHP Contributable	84.5	60.7	–	–
	4/09/2025	BHP Contributable	107.8	67	–	–
	13/09/2025	BHP Contributable	180.1	83	29	–
	26/09/2025	BHP Contributable	141	55	–	–
Q2	10/10/2025	BHP Contributable	75.2	48.5	–	–
	11/10/2025	BHP Contributable	71.9	56.2	–	–
	11/10/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	274.3
	14/10/2025	BHP Contributable	91.6	77.6	–	–
	19/10/2025	BHP Contributable	83.5	92.5	–	–
	23/10/2025	BHP Contributable	74.1	67.4	–	–
	24/10/2025	BHP Contributable	79.2	83.6	–	–
	29/10/2025	BHP Contributable	80.2	78.5	–	–
	3/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	106.2	101.8	–	–
	4/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	79.8	132	–	–
	9/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	66	79	–	–
	11/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	87.8	101.3	–	–
	14/11/2025	BHP Contributable	91.6	67.4	–	–
	18/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	39.1	99.3	–	–
	20/11/2025	BHP Contributable	74.3	90.3	–	–
	21/11/2025	BHP Contributable	73.4	41.4	–	–
	22/11/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	235.3
	22/11/2025	BHP Contributable	87.3	63.1	–	–
	5/12/2025	BHP Contributable	71.5	32.9	–	–
	9/12/2025	BHP Contributable	96.3	104.3	–	–
	12/12/2025	BHP Contributable	75.3	66.3	–	–
	19/12/2025	BHP Contributable	67	71.3	–	–
	29/12/2025	Not BHP Contributable	96.3	40	–	–
Q3	8/01/2026	BHP Contributable	114.8	129.5	–	–
	9/01/2026	Not BHP Contributable	63	71.4	–	–
	12/01/2026	BHP Contributable	57.8	73.9	–	–
	19/01/2026	BHP Contributable	71	64.1	–	–
	10/03/2026	Not BHP Contributable	45.4	71.7	–	–
	24/03/2026	Not BHP Contributable	74.6	38	–	–
	25/03/2026	BHP Contributable	98.7	76.3	–	–
Q4	8/04/2026	BHP Contributable	74.7	52	–	–
	28/05/2026	BHP Contributable	87	63.7	–	–
	30/06/2026	BHP Contributable	64.6	33.5	–	233.4

* Relates to events where an investigation determined mining/processing activities were likely a contributing factor to the target exceedance or non-mining related conditions significantly contributed to the event.

Limit exceedance

Condition 14 to 20– Dust management investigations

BHP manages triggers and events through a Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) and has developed a more advanced and integrated Air Quality Management System (AQMS) which records the trigger management actions and events required by Condition 14-20. In FY2026, all management triggers were addressed in accordance with the licence requirements.

Waste Management

Condition 21 – Waste Management

Wastes accepted onto the landfills in the FY2026 period were only subjected to the processes set out in Table 5 of the Licence. Refer to Table 2-6 for the specific details of the total volume of waste generated in the FY2026 reporting period. Waste oil has been taken off site throughout FY2026. During FY2026, there were three non-compliances against Table 5 of the Licence, these include:

- Incorrect waste types (pallets) were disposed at the SP07 Inert Waste Type 1 site – Table 5, Item 1.
- Bioremediation waste processing is ineffective at OB29 Landfarm as the facility does not meet design specifications – Table 5, Item 12
- Bioremediation facility does not meet liner permeability requirements of equal or less than 10^{-9}m/s – Table 15, Schedule 4.

Further details can be found in the AACR.

Table 2-6 Monthly records of total waste disposed to each disposal location

Date	Inert Waste Type 1 (t)	Inert Waste Type 2 (t)	Putrescible Waste (t)	Controlled waste (oils and emulsions) (t)	Special Waste Type 1 (t)
Limit	14,500 tonnes per year			5,100 tonnes per year	
Jul-25	0	231.9	0	109	0
Aug-25	0	103.8	0	165	0
Sep-25	0	211.9	0	135	0
Oct-25	0	294.4	0	94	0
Nov-25	0	90.0	0	135	0
Dec-25	0	148.8	0	136	0
Jan-26	0	0.5	0	133	0
Feb-26	0	290.6	0	91	0
Mar-26	0	0.0	0	128	0
Apr-26	0	200	0	101	0
May-26	0	0.0	0	156	0
Jun-26	0	2.9	0	133	0
Total FY2026	**1,574.7**			**1,516**	0

Condition 22– Landfill Operations

Refer to Table 2-6 for specific details of the total volume of waste disposed during the FY2026 reporting period. One non-compliance relating to incomplete waste records and monthly waste volume reconciliations for the OB29 Bioremediation facility and SP07 inert waste facility was identified in FY2026. For these facilities, an annual survey was conducted to record waste volumes at each facility. Further details can be found in the AACR.

Condition 23 – Waste Disposal

All waste that does not meet the waste acceptance criteria set out in condition 21, Table 5, has been removed from the premises and disposed of at an appropriate facility.

Condition 24 – Landfill Management

Landfill operations during the reporting period were limited to the disposal of inert type I and type II wastes. The landfill does not accept asbestos-containing materials or putrescible wastes. Landfilling activities have been managed in accordance with the requirements of the Licence, with waste placed and compacted to ensure all faces are stable and capable of retaining rehabilitation material and rehabilitation of a cell or phase taken place within six months after final disposal in that cell or phase has been completed.

Condition 25 – Landfill cover requirements

Inert landfills are managed in accordance with the requirements in Table 6 of the Licence, with sufficient stockpiles of cover always maintained on site.

Condition 26 – Unauthorised access to landfills

The landfills are located within the prescribed premises, preventing unauthorised access. Entry is controlled by a boom gate to facilitate waste tracking and accurate volume record keeping.

Condition 27 – Windblown waste

Routine inspections are undertaken and any windblown waste observed is recovered and returned to the putrescible area.

Monitoring and limits

Condition 28 to 30 – Water sampling

All water, wastewater, surface water and groundwater sample monitoring is undertaken in accordance with the requirements and standards outlined in this condition and submitted and tested by a laboratory with current NATA accreditation for the parameters to be measured. The monitoring equipment used on the premises is compliant to the requirements specified in the conditions of the licence. During the FY2026 reporting period, there were no calibration non-compliances reported to the regulator.

Emissions to surface water monitoring and limits

Condition 31 – Emissions to surface water and monitoring limits

The Licence Holder is required to undertake the monitoring of point source emissions to surface water in accordance with Table 7 of the Licence. There are three monitoring point locations that required monitored during the FY2026 reporting period:

- P3 – RO Reject water monitoring point;
- W1 – Ophthalmia Dam discharge point;
- W2 – Whaleback Creek discharge point.

There was no recorded discharge to Whaleback Creek (W2) during the entire FY2026 reporting period, therefore there is no data to present. Surface water monitoring at P3 (Table 7 – Reject Water from Yarnima, WBDMPR0001) was undertaken quarterly during the FY2026 reporting period (Table 2-7). No discharge to XD57 occurred during the reporting period.

Table 2-7 W1/P3 surface water monitoring results for the FY2026 reporting period

Sample Point		Period	Sample Date	TDS (mg/L)	pH	Flow to XD57 to Oph Dam) (ML/Month)	Flow (ML/day)
License Limit				6,000mg/L	-		6ML/Day
P3	Table 7- RO reject water from Yarnima WBDMPRO001	Jun-25				0.0	
		Q1	12/07/2025	1,700	8.0	0.0	0.0
		Q2	10/10/2025	1,900	8.1	0.0	0.0
		Q3	14/01/2026	2,200	8.0	0.0	0.0
		Q4	01/04/2026	2,000	8.0	0.0	0.0

Table 2-8 W1: WBDMPRO002 (Ophthalmia Dam discharge point) monitoring results for FY2026

Sample Point	Parameter	Units	Trigger Values	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
W1	pH		6-8.5	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9
	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	534	720	710	600	740
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)		80	<5	<5	<5	<5
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH (C10-C36))	µg/L	15	<100	<100	<100	<100
	Silver (Ag)	mg/L	0.00005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
	Aluminium (Al)		0.55	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
	Arsenic (As)		0.024	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
	Boron (B)		0.37	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17
	Calcium (Ca)		1000	71	80	0.00008	0.00007
	Cadmium (Cd)		0.0002	<0.00005	0	72	74
	Chloride (Cl)		85	200	170	150	180
	Carbonate (CO^3)		1	<5	<5	<5	<5
	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)		442	<10	<10	<10	<10
	Chromium (Cr)		0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
	Copper (Cu)		0.0014	<0.0005	0.001	0.0032	<0.0005
	Iron (Fe)		0.77	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
	Bicarbonate (HCO_3)		440	360	350	360	350
	Mercury (Hg)		0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
	Potassium (K)		5	5.1	5.4	5.0	5.4
	Magnesium (Mg)		67	68	66	63	68
	Manganese (Mn)		1.9	<0.005	0.019	<0.005	<0.005
	Molybdenum (Mo)		0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
	Sodium (Na)		76	80	72	75	82
	Nickel (Ni)		0.011	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002
	Nitrate (NO_3)		400	5.9	4.2	2.7	4.1
	Lead (Pb)		0.0034	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
	Selenium (Se)		0.011	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.001
	Sulphate (SO_4)		1000	90	85	87	100
	Zinc Zn)		0.008	0.007	0.29	0.003	0.012

Water quality parameters defined in Table 7 of the licence do not have nominated targets or limits except for Total Dissolved Solids on RO reject water monitoring point P3 and Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon at Ophthalmia Dam discharge point WA and Whaleback Creek discharge point W2. BHP monitors water quality discharged to Ophthalmia Dam and references against mean values that were developed based on historical data. Throughout FY2026 and similar to FY2025, Table 2-10 indicates that there have been no trends that suggest material changes with regards to the water being discharged, i.e. no spikes in trace metals, pH or TDS readings. The levels recorded are within an acceptable variation from the mean value and are unlikely to have any adverse impacts on the environment, with the results not significantly varying between quarterly readings. BHP will continue to monitor water quality and trends and investigate further as required.

In FY2026, dewatering of OB29 and OB30 continued at a higher flow rate than previous years, to meet mine planning requirements, however, remained well below the 12GL/year limit specified in Table 7 of the licence. Table 2-11 details the monthly average discharge flow rates for the Opthalmia Dam discharge point, calculated from cumulative flow meter readings, ranging from 2.84 ML/day to 14.51 ML/day during FY2026. The total cumulative discharge volume for the reporting period was approximately 3.344 GL (3,343,911 kL), equivalent to an annual average flow rate of 9.16 ML/day.

The recorded flow rates were consistently below the licence limit of 12 GL/year, which is equivalent to 32.9 ML/day, indicating compliance with the approved discharge volume requirements throughout the reporting period.

Table 2-9 W1: WBDMPRO002 (Ophthalmia Dam discharge point) discharge volume for FY2026

Sample Point		Period	Month	Cumulative Flow Meter Reading (kL)	Average Flow Rate (ML/day)
W1	Table 7- WBDMPRO002 (Ophthalmia Dam discharge Point)	Q1	Jul-25	24,469,584	7.75
			Aug-25	24,915,964	13.95
			Sep-25	25,154,650	7.96
		Q2	Oct-25	25,429,000	8.85*
			Nov-25	25,848,672	14.47
			Dec-25	26,269,521	14.51
		Q3	Jan-26	26,774,607	13.29
			Feb-26	26,961,340	9.83
			Mar-26	27,121,087	5.51
		Q4	Apr-26	27,203,382	2.84
			May-26	27,525,870	9.77
			Jun-26	27,813,495	8.72
Total flow for the FY2026 reporting period [GL]				**3.34 GL**	

Overall, the monitoring results for the Ophthalmia Dam discharge point indicate that discharge water quality was largely consistent across the reporting period, with exceedances limited to TDS, chloride, and zinc in selected quarters. All other monitored parameters remained below internal trigger values.

Emissions to land monitoring and limits

Condition 32 – Emissions to land monitoring and limits

The Licence Holder is required under the Licence to monitor emissions to land in accordance with the information in Table 8 of the Licence. During the FY2026 reporting period, monitoring of emissions to land was completed at the following monitoring point locations:

- L1 - EPCO Sewage Treatment Plant
- Newman Water Treatment Plant discharge to Tank XD57 – No discharge occurred in the FY2026 reporting period
- L2 - Contingency discharge from Tank XD57
- L3 - Hub Turkey's nest contingency discharge point
- Newman Water Treatment Plant discharge to:
  - L4 – ARD facility within Dam C (Table 2-13)
  - P7/P8/P9/P10/P11 - ARD Dam Evaporation Cells 1-5
- L4 - Yarnima Power Station discharge to:
  - P7/P8/P9/P10/P11 – ARD facility within evaporation Cells 1-5
- P2 - OWWTP Evaporation Pond
- P4/P5/P6/P7/P8/P9/P10/P11 - ARD Dam and evaporation cells
- Potentially acidic groundwater from Whaleback pit discharge to:
  - L4 to ARD facility within Dam C
  - P8 and P9 to ARD facility within evaporation Cells 2 and 3
  - P7 to ARD facility within evaporation Cell 1
- Stormwater from Whaleback pit discharge to:
  - L4 to ARD facility within Dam C
  - P8 and P9 to ARD facility within evaporation Cells 2 and 3
  - P7 to ARD facility within evaporation Cell 1
- Water from ARD facility within Dam C (L4) and evaporation Cells 2 and 3 (P8 and P9) discharged to:
  - P10 and P11 - ARD facility within evaporation Cells 4 and 5.

The EPCO Sewage Treatment Plant results for the FY2026 reporting period are provided in Table 2-10. Compared to FY2025, the volume of sewage treated at the EPCO plant has increased due to an increase in the number of operational shutdowns and personnel onsite. Total Suspended Solids and Total Nitrogen results are above ANZECC (Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council 1997) guideline values, consistent with FY2025 results and within historical maximums. BHP will continue to monitor water quality results and notable increasing trends.

Table 2-10 EPCO Sewage Treatment Plant (L1) FY2026 reporting period

	Parameter	Units	Licence Limit	ANZEC Limits*	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
WBSWSTP012/13 Effluent quality data EPCO STP evaporation pond)	Volumetric flow rate	m^3/day	**183.2**	-	Total of 60.25 m^3/day			
	pH	-	-	6-8	6	7.8	5.6	4.2
	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	mg/L	-	30	<5	<5	<5	<5
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	-	40	15	35	52	18
	Total Nitrogen (TN)	mg/L	-	50	55	86	45	62
	Total Phosphorous (TP)	mg/L	-	12	6.4	8.9	4.2	6.8
	E.coli	cfu/100ml	-	1,000,000	58,000	28,000	<1	>100,000

* Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality (ANZECC, 2000). Guideline values presented for comparison against monitoring results and are not licence compliance limits.

Table 2-11 Total volume of waste inputs to Tank XD57 Contingency Discharge (L2) FY2026 reporting period

Emission Point Reference	Event Discharge	TDS (mg/L)	Volume (ML)
	License Limit	**2,000mg/L**	**-**
L2 - Tank XD57 contingency discharge flowmeter (controlled discharge) WBDMPRO004	12/07/2025	450	0.677
	06/08/2025	-	1.653
	10/10/2025	790	1.653
	08/11/2025	-	1.653
	07/12/2025	-	1.653
	14/01/2026	680	1.653
	02/02/2026	-	0.001
	03/03/2026	-	0.001
	01/04/2026	760	0.001
	04/05/2026	-	0.003
	06/06/2026	-	0.003

Table 2-12 Hub Turkey Nest (L3) discharge events FY2026 Reporting period

Emission Point Reference	Event Discharge	Flow Meter (kL)	Average Flow (ML/day)	TDS (mg/L)
	License limit	**-**		**2,000 mg/L**
L3 Hub Turkeys Nest Discharge WBSW187	6/08/2025	22,540.63	-	1,100
	10/10/2025	25,926.14	0.052	1,200
	2/01/2026	34,569.42	0.103	1,100
	4/05/2026	60,608.83	0.213	1,100
	6/06/2026	62,143.47	0.047	1,100

Table 2-13 Quality and cumulative volume of surplus water from emission point L4 (Newman water treatment plant) in FY2026

Emission Point Reference	Period	Date	pH	TDS (mg/L)	Volume (ML)
License Limit				**6,257mg/L**	**2,080.5 ML/year**
P1 (Acid Mine Drainage Evaporation Ponds) WBDMPRO005	Q1	12/07/2025			65.55
		14/07/2025	7.6	2,500	-
		6/08/2025	-	-	68.36
	Q2	10/10/2025	7.7	2,600	192.05
		8/11/2025	-	-	91.99
		7/12/2025	-	-	93.18
	Q3	14/01/2026	7.8	2,800	126.85
		2/02/2026	-	-	68.4
		3/03/2026	-	-	104.02
	Q4	1/04/2026	7.8	2,600	100.75
		4/05/2026	-	-	112.43
		6/06/2026	-	-	109.62
		Total FY2026			**1,133.20 ML**

Table 2-14 Quality and cumulative volume of surplus water from emission point L4 (Yarnima Power Station) in FY2026

Sample Point	Period	Sample Date	pH	TDS (mg/L)	Volumetric Flow rate (ML/year)
License Limit			**-**	**5,900mg/L**	**Limit: 1,058ML/year**
L4 Yarnima Power Station to ARD	Q1	28/07/2025	8	1,700	150
	Q2	10/10/2025	8.1	1,900	213
	Q3	14/01/2026	8	2,200	222
	Q4	01/04/2026	8	2,000	199
				Total FY2026	**784/ML**

Table 2-15 Annual monitoring of Oily Wastewater Treatment Pond (P2)

Emission Point Reference	Period	Event Discharge	pH	TDS (mg/L)	TRH (mg/L
		License Limit	-	-	15mg/L
P2 OWWTP Evaporation Pond WBSW185*	Q1	12/07/2025	7.8	1,000	4
		6/08/2025	8.2	1,300	2.1
		9/09/2025	8.2	1,200	0.72
	Q2	10/10/2025	8.7	1,200	1.4
		8/11/2025	8.5	1,300	1.5
		24/11/2025	7.9	1,200	4.2
		7/12/2025	8.4	1,100	0.39
	Q3	2/02/2026	8.3	1,200	<0.1
		3/03/2026	8.2	1,300	0.56
	Q4	1/04/2026	8.2	1,100	14
		6/06/2026	8.4	1,200	6.1
		17/06/2026	8.3	1,100	0.71

* The total volumetric flow discharged from WBSW185 during FY2026 was **1.01 ML/year**, calculated from cumulative flow meter readings recorded throughout the reporting period.

Table 2-16 Quarterly monitoring in ARD facility dams and evaporation cells

Emission Point Reference		P4				P5				P6				P7			
Sample Point		WBSW031				WBSW032				WBSW047				WBSW033			
Period		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parameter	Units																
Aluminium (Al)	mg/L		3.2			53	0.92	0.017	<0.05	57	0.32	0.014	<0.05				
Antimony (Sb)			<0.02			<0.01	<0.02	<0.002	<0.01	<0.005	<0.02	<0.001	<0.01				
Bicarbonate (HCO_3)			<5			<5	<5	350	<0.005	<5	75	420	<0.005				
Arsenic (As)			<0.01			<0.005	<0.01	<0.001	460	<0.0025	<0.01	<0.0005	350				
Cadmium (Cd)			0.002			0.004	0.003	0.00015	<0.0005	0.004	0.003	0.00023	<0.0005				
Calcium (Ca)			550			490	540	580	410	490	490	500	280				
Chloride (Cl)			480			300	500	720	730	260	390	460	600				
Chromium (Cr)			<0.005			<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.005	<0.0025	<0.005	0.0014	<0.005				
Cobalt (Co)			1.7			1.9	1.5	0.2	0.0062	1.9	1.3	0.24	<0.005				
Copper (Cu)			0.13			0.83	0.077	0.0098	<0.005	0.84	0.12	0.0040	<0.005				
Iron (Fe)			0.12			0.74	<0.1	0.042	<0.05	1.1	<0.1	0.068	<0.05				
Lead (Pb)			<0.01			<0.005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.005	<0.0025	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.005				
Magnesium (Mg)			1600			1200	1400	1400	820	1200	1000	930	700				
Manganese (Mn)		Dry	60	Dry	Dry	47	55	31	0.69	48	47	24	<0.05	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
Mercury (Hg)			<0.00005			<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00008	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	<0.00005				
Molybdenum (Mo)						<0.005		0.0016	<0.005	<0.0025		0.0016	<0.005				
Nickel (Ni)			1.8			2	1.6	0.23	0.011	2	1.4	0.3	<0.01				
Potassium (K)			27			19	23	34	27	19	20	25	20				
Oxidation Reduction Potential	mV		519			382	498	369	456	414	519	367	406				
Selenium (Se)	mg/L		<0.02			<0.01	<0.02	<0.02	<0.01	<0.005	<0.02	0.002	<0.01				
Sodium (Na)			360			280	310	430	410	280	270	340	350				
Sulphate (SO_4)			6800			6100	6100	6300	3600	6200	5400	4700	3100				
Sulphide (S_2)			<10			<0.1	<10	<10	<0.1	<0.1	<10	<5	<0.1				
Thallium (Tl)			<0.01			<0.005	<0.01	0.015	<0.005	<0.0025	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.005				
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)			10000			9600	9300	10000	7200	9700	7900	7800	6000				
Uranium (U)						0.013		0.015	0.0092	0.014		0.0065	0.0066				
Zinc (Zn)			1.2			1.7	1.2	0.010	<0.01	1.7	1.2	0.039	<0.01				
pH	pH		4.9			4.3	5.7	8.0	7.9	4.3	7.3	8.1	8.1				

Table 2-14 Quarterly monitoring in ARD facility dams and evaporation cells (continued)

Emission Point Reference		P8				P9				P10				P11			
Sample Point		WBSW034				WBSW035				WBSW036				WBSW037			
Period		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parameter	Units																
Aluminium (Al)	mg/L	380	1400	Dry	<0.05	0.079	0.31	<0.025	<0.05	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
Antimony (Sb)		<0.01	<0.02		<0.01	<0.01	<0.02	<0.0025	<0.01								
Bicarbonate (HCO_3)		<5	<5		<0.005	360	100	510	<0.005								
Arsenic (As)		<0.005	<0.01		400	<0.005	<0.01	<0.0025	560								
Cadmium (Cd)		0.02	0.076		0.0048	<0.0005	<0.001	<0.00025	<0.0005								
Calcium (Ca)		520	520		440	380	390	430	300								
Chloride (Cl)		1700	8800		3200	2000	2800	5700	4400								
Chromium (Cr)		0.024	<0.025		<0.005	<0.005	<0.025	<0.0025	<0.005								
Cobalt (Co)		9.5	36		2.2	0.04	0.045	0.02	0.015								
Copper (Cu)		6	19		0.030	0.005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.005								
Iron (Fe)		9.2	10		<0.05	<0.05	<0.1	<0.025	<0.05								
Lead (Pb)		<0.005	<0.01		<0.005	<0.005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.005								
Magnesium (Mg)		5500	21000		3500	2600	3400	6000	4600								
Manganese (Mn)		250	950		86	0.71	0.7	1.1	3.2								
Mercury (Hg)		<0.00005	<0.00005		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005								
Molybdenum (Mo)		<0.005			<0.005	<0.005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.005								
Nickel (Ni)		10	37		1.7	0.27	0.28	0.4	0.24								
Potassium (K)		68	270		80	74	100	220	150								
Oxidation Reduction Potential	mV	443	449		417	395	507	381	378								
Selenium (Se)	mg/L	0.013	0.032		<0.01	<0.01	<0.02	<0.005	<0.01								
Sodium (Na)		1400	4800		1600	1200	1600	3200	2500								
Sulphate (SO_4)		25000	91000		13000	11000	14000	24000	16000								
Sulphide (S_2)		<0.1	<10		<20	<0.1	<0.1	1.6	0.3								
Thallium (Tl)		<0.005	0.01		<0.005	<0.005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.005								
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)		40000	140000		25000	19000	23000	42000	33000								
Uranium (U)		0.087			0.017	0.007	0.01	0.012	0.0088								
Zinc (Zn)		9.4	30		0.25	0.022	0.031	0.007	0.020								
pH	pH	3.5	3.5		8.3	8.5	9	8.5	8.7								

Condition 33 – ARD Facility Dam

Operations have been compliant with inputs to the ARD Facility, mainly lined ponds 2 and 3 are being used as per the licence condition, no discharge occurred to evaporation Cells 4 and 5 during the FY2026 reporting period. Consequently, there were no Dam C (L4) pH exceedances recorded during FY2026.

Condition 34 – Emissions exceedances

The sample points specified in Tables 7 and 8 were monitored throughout the FY2026 reporting period in accordance with licence requirements. Any missed or non-conformant samples have been documented in this AACR.

The internal trigger values have historically been applied as a risk-based operational screening tool, derived from the ANZECC (2000) guidelines and site-specific groundwater monitoring data. Following the installation of additional groundwater monitoring wells in FY2027 and completion of further investigations into the causes of vegetation decline, BHP will review and update the trigger values to ensure they remain fit for purpose and reflective of site conditions. Until this review is completed, groundwater monitoring results will continue to be assessed against the requirements of Licence 4503/1975/14 and the groundwater investigation level criteria presented in the ERM Detailed Site Investigation (DSI) Report (2024).

Groundwater monitoring

Condition 35 - Groundwater monitoring

During the FY2026 reporting period, groundwater monitoring was conducted in accordance with the requirements of Table 9 of the Licence. Monitoring non-compliances were identified where Total Acidity (as $CaCO_3$) was not collected for several groundwater monitoring wells as specified under Table 9, Condition 35. In addition, groundwater monitoring was not completed for bores HHS0108M and HHS0110M, located near Yarnima Power Station Creek, during Q1 FY2026, resulting in a further non-compliance with the monitoring requirements of Condition 35, Table 9.

The groundwater bores monitored during the FY2026 reporting period include:

Upstream of ARD Facility:

- WBGW050S and WBGW050D.

Around ARD Evaporation Cells:

- WBGW022, WBGW023, WBGW041D, WBGW041S, WBGW042S, WBGW043D, WBGW43S, WBGW044S, WBGW045D, WBGW045S, WBGW046D, WBGW046S, WBGW047S, WBGW048D, WBGW048S, WBGW049D,WBGW049S, WBGW051D and WBGW051S.

Downstream of ARD Facility

- WBGW009, WBGW014, WBGW015, WBGW016, WBGW017, WBGW018, WBGW019, WBGW020 and WBGW021.

Near Power Station Creek:

- WBGW010 and WBGW011.
- HHS0060, HHS0061, HHS0062, HHS0063, HHS0064, HHS0065, HHS0066, HHS0067, HHS0068, HHS0070, HHS0071, HHS0072 and HHS0073.

Other:

- HHS0108 and HHS0110.

Table 2-17 Summary of AMD Upstream and around evaporation cells groundwater monitoring bore results

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW050D				WBGW023				WBGW041D			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	4,800	4,800	4,700	4,700	35,00	3,700	4,000	4,300	5,500	4,700	5,400	5,500
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)	mg/L	N/A	Missed	Not Sampled	35	<5	Missed	Not Sampled	33	<5	Missed	Not Sampled	44	36
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	330	340	340	360	520	520	490	500	330	330	330	360
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0016	<0.01	0.0017	0.0016	0.0016	<0.01	0.0017	0.0015	0.0013	<0.01	0.0016	0.0013
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	400	420	420	440	640	630	600	610	410	400	400	440
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	0.00012	0.00007	<0.00005	<0.001	0.00006	0.00007	0.00016	<0.001	0.00042	0.00025
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	450	410	440	410	150	160	200	210	530	480	610	530
Chloride		>501	630	620	590	620	390	450	470	570	720	610	650	650
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0006	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0011	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0006	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0028	<0.01	0.0024	0.0022	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0013	<0.01	0.0025	0.0028	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0006	0.0006
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.006	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.014	0.18	<0.005	0.012
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	460	430	430	420	240	260	300	330	490	420	540	500
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	0.02	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.032	0.26	<0.005	0.11
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.0001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0011	<0.01	0.0012	0.0012	0.0018	<0.01	0.0019	0.0015	0.0017	<0.01	0.0018	0.0017
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.003	<0.02	0.003	0.004	0.005	<0.02	0.005	0.005	0.002	<0.02	0.002	0.002
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	1	0.9	1	1.1
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	308	565	331	301	299	524	323	300	298	556	356	321
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.02	0.002	0.002	<0.001	<0.02	0.001	<0.001
Sodium		>345	160	160	160	160	280	280	280	300	160	140	160	150
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	2,400	1,900	2,000	1,900	1,200	1,000	1,200	1,400	2,900	2,000	2,600	2,500
Sulphide		N/A	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	<0.1	0.2	<0.2	<2	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	4,500	4,500	4,200	4,200	2,700	2,800	3,200	3,500	5,500	4,400	5,300	5,400
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0027	<0.01	0.0032	0.0036	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.01	0.0028	<0.01	0.0021	0.0025
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.004	<0.02	0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	0.001	<0.001	0.005	<0.02	0.003	0.006
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.8	7.2	6.9	7	6.6	6.8	6.6	6.7

Q1: 18/7/2025, Q2: 17/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 11/04/2026

Table 2-17 Summary of AMD Upstream and around evaporation cells groundwater monitoring bore results (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW043D				WBGW045D				WBGW045S			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	4,600	3,900	5,300	5,200	5,100	5,100	5,000	4,900	4,500	4,500	3,600	4,100
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)	mg/L	N/A	Missed	Not Sampled	30	<5	Missed	Not Sampled	23	18	Missed	Not Sampled	11	11
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	360	450	330	330	330	330	340	330	400	410	450	500
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0011	<0.01	0.0015	0.0014	0.0015	<0.01	0.0019	0.0016	0.001	<0.01	0.0018	0.0015
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	440	550	400	400	410	400	410	400	490	490	550	610
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	0.00015	0.00013	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00007	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	290	220	420	380	230	240	270	240	160	150	85	85
Chloride		>501	660	490	620	650	760	780	680	710	620	570	410	580
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0027	<0.005	0.0007	0.0011	0.0008	<0.005	0.0007	0.0019	0.0068	<0.005	0.0089	0.031
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.0009	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0009	0.0012	0.0099	<0.01	0.0012	0.0033
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0014	0.0013	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0016	<0.01	0.0009	0.0037
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	0.055	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.01	<0.1	0.008	<0.005	0.005	<0.1	0.006	0.011
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	340	270	470	440	330	350	360	350	260	240	120	120
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	0.011	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	0.037	0.042	0.61	<0.1	0.13	0.25
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0007	<0.01	0.0014	0.0012	0.0009	<0.01	0.0011	0.0009	0.0012	<0.01	0.003	0.002
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.006	<0.02	0.004	0.004	0.006	<0.02	0.007	0.008	0.013	<0.02	0.012	0.088
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	1.1	2.2	1.2	1.2	1.7	1	1.1	1.3	1	0.9	0.7	0.6
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	292	550	349	443	298	542	340	448	302	566	334	448
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	<0.001	<0.02	0.002	0.002	0.001	<0.02	0.002	0.002	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium		>345	300	280	320	310	460	470	500	460	480	530	530	660
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	2,000	1,100	2,400	2,300	2,100	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,800	1,400	830	990
Sulphide		N/A	0.4	2	<0.1	<0.1	0.3	<0.1	0.2	0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	4,000	3,000	4,600	5,000	4,300	4,100	4,100	4,800	3,600	3,400	2,500	2,900
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.008	<0.01	0.0057	0.0063	0.0041	<0.01	0.0032	0.0036	0.004	<0.01	0.0032	0.0034
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.037	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	0.027
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	5.9	6.1	6.8	6.9	7	7	7	7.1	7	7.2	7.3	7.2

Q1: 18/7/2025, Q2: 17/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 11/04/2026

Table 2-17 Summary of AMD Upstream and around evaporation cells groundwater monitoring bore results (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW046D				WBGW046S				WBGW048D			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	Missed	4,400	4,400	4,500	4,300	4,100	4,200	4,400	4,100	6,500	6,500	6,700
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)	mg/L	N/A	Missed	Missed	32	31	Missed	Missed	27	31	Missed	Missed	<5	34
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	420	410	410	400	410	420	400	400	350	340	350	350
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0018	<0.01	0.0018	0.0018	0.0014	<0.01	0.0011	0.0012	0.0011	<0.01	0.0013	0.0011
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	510	490	500	490	510	520	490	480	420	420	430	430
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.001	0.00008	0.00008
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	270	290	310	300	200	210	250	230	380	420	490	480
Chloride		>501	600	630	570	610	610	600	560	620	680	650	470	540
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0009	<0.005	<0.0005	0.0008	0.0005	<0.005	0.02	0.0026	<0.0005	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.0013	<0.01	0.001	0.0009	0.0021	<0.01	0.0026	0.0066	0.0008	<0.01	0.0008	0.0007
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	0.0008	<0.01	0.0009	0.0008	0.0006	<0.01	<0.0005	0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0007	0.0009
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	0.005	<0.005	<0.1	0.01	0.029	0.009	<0.1	0.008	0.017
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	310	340	340	350	310	340	330	310	670	770	790	790
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.007	<0.1	0.035	0.14	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	0.0001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0018	<0.01	0.0018	0.0017	0.0009	<0.01	0.0009	0.0009	0.0011	<0.01	0.0011	0.0011
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.006	<0.02	0.006	0.005	0.007	<0.02	0.017	0.037	0.004	<0.02	0.005	0.005
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	299	566	323	418	298	563	317	268	306	561	317	434
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	0.002	<0.02	0.003	0.002	0.002	<0.02	0.002	0.002	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium		>345	260	270	270	270	260	270	280	290	300	320	330	340
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	1,700	1,600	1,600	1,500	1,700	1,400	1,400	1,400	3,900	3,600	3,700	3,900
Sulphide		N/A	0.2	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.2	0.3	0.1	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	3,500	3,600	3,700	3,700	3,300	3,300	3,400	3,500	6,300	6,400	6,400	7,200
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.01	<0.01	0.0087	0.0081	0.011	0.011	0.01	0.0094	0.011	0.011	0.01	0.01
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	0.004	0.018	0.021	0.003	<0.001
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.8	7.1	6.9	7	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.9

Q1: 18/7/2025, Q2: 17/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 11/04/2026

Table 2-17 Summary of AMD Upstream and around evaporation cells groundwater monitoring bore results (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW049D				WBGW051D				WBGW051S			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	6,300	8,600	7,800	5,700	8,200	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,400			
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Missed	Missed	29	33	Missed	Missed	32	<5	Missed			
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	410	400	380	2500	290	290	310	300	290			
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005			
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001			
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0008	<0.01	0.0011	0.0012	0.0017	<0.01	0.0026	0.0015	0.0008			
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	500	490	460	3000	360	360	370	360	360			
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00011			
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	320	420	370	170	430	440	480	450	430			
Chloride		>501	1300	1300	1200	640	690	710	650	670	660			
Chromium (Total)	mg/L	>0.001	0.0009	<0.005	<0.0005	0.0048	<0.0005	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0009			
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005			
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0023	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005			
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	0.056	<0.1	0.009	0.007	0.021	<0.1	0.007	0.008	0.007			
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005			
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	590	730	610	350	530	570	550	570	460	Dry	Dry	Dry
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	0.008	<0.1	<0.005	0.067	0.005	<0.1	0.06	<0.005	0.017			
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00014	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005			
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0009	<0.0005	0.0011	<0.01	0.001	0.0011	0.0007			
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.001	<0.02	0.002	0.003	0.003	<0.02	0.003	0.003	0.004			
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	0.7	0.8	0.5	21	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	1			
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	314	551	320	-145	306	564	334	336	308			
Selenium (Dissolved)		>0.01	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<0.02	0.003	0.003	0.003			
Sodium		>345	820	800	690	410	190	200	230	190	340			
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	3,500	3,600	3,100	440	2,900	2,600	2,600	2,500	2,800			
Sulphide		N/A	0.5	<0.1	<0.2	1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1			
Thallium (Dissolved)	mg/L	N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005			
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	7,100	7,600	6,700	3,300	5,100	5,500	5,200	5,300	5,100			
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0078	<0.01	0.0077	0.0006	0.0027	<0.01	0.0031	0.0027	0.0047			
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	<0.001	<0.02	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.02	0.004	0.002	0.001			
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	7.1	6.9	6.9	7.9	6.5	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.8			

Q1: 18/7/2025, Q2: 17/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 11/04/2026

Table 2-18 Summary of AMD downstream facility groundwater monitoring bore results

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW009M				WBGW015M				WBGW016M			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	4,200	4,400	4,500	4,500	6,700	6,800	7,200	6,900	7,700	7,700	7,600	7,700
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	31	30	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	100	98	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	61	59
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	400	400	420	410	89	110	84	84	540	850	530	550
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.01	<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.01	<0.025
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.002	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.002	<0.005
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0016	<0.01	0.0017	0.0016	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	490	480	510	500	110	130	100	100	660	1000	650	680
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00017	<0.001	0.00062	0.00036	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.0001	<0.00025
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	290	280	290	300	530	500	530	520	700	550	700	620
Chloride		>501	320	330	330	390	600	500	600	630	1,200	1,200	1,100	1,100
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.005	<0.0005	0.0006	0.017	0.014	0.027	0.0098	0.0011	<0.005	0.0009	0.0011
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.12	0.27	0.37	0.28	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0007	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	0.011	9.1	4.5	5.2	4.4	0.051	<0.1	0.06	0.095
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	400	400	380	410	730	710	790	700	870	890	810	770
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	38	40	32	37	0.33	0.3	0.38	0.38
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0018	<0.01	0.0017	0.0017	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	0.76	0.8	0.94	0.74	0.005	<0.02	0.007	0.017
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.4	3.2	3.6	5.2	4.9	0.6	1.2	0.5	0.6
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	404	463	350	354	354	542	400	354	346	840	326	259
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	0.006	<0.02	0.006	0.006	<0.001	<0.02	<0.002	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.002	<0.005
Sodium		>345	290	260	260	260	450	410	440	410	360	330	320	320
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	2,200	2,000	1,900	2,000	4,200	4,200	4,500	4,000	4,000	2,900	3,500	3,500
Sulphide		N/A	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<1	<2	<2	1.9	2.1	8.8	1.6
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	3,800	3,800	4,000	4,100	7,300	6,900	7,500	7,400	7,700	7,200	7,500	7,600
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.005	<0.01	0.0038	0.0042	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.001	<0.0025	0.0078	<0.01	0.0066	0.0072
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.011	<0.02	0.005	0.005	0.005	<0.02	0.012	0.01	<0.001	<0.02	0.003	0.01
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.4	6.7	7.1	6.7	6.7

Q1: 19/7/2025, Q2: 18/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 10/04/2026

Table 2-18 Summary of AMD downstream facility groundwater monitoring bore results (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW017M				WBGW018M				WBGW019M			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	6,800	7,100	7,100	7,400	8,800	9,400	9,400	12,000	6,800	6,900	7,000	7,000
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	65	56	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	32	45	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	38	40
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	370	400	380	370	280	430	370	320	460	460	470	490
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.025	<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.025	<0.025
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	450	490	460	450	340	520	450	390	560	560	570	590
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00025	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00025	<0.00025	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00025	<0.00025
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	570	520	570	510	590	550	600	590	660	590	650	600
Chloride		>501	400	420	450	560	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,800	830	890	790	800
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0006	<0.005	0.0041	<0.0005	0.0097	<0.005	0.029	0.034	0.0012	<0.005	<0.0025	0.0022
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.02	0.028	0.025	0.027	0.002	<0.01	0.016	0.008	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	0.001	<0.01	<0.0025	0.0031	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	0.12	<0.1	0.15	0.22	0.006	<0.1	0.031	0.13	0.014	<0.1	<0.025	0.047
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	820	850	870	830	1,000	1,100	990	1,300	760	770	790	750
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	8.5	8.8	9.8	9.5	1.1	1.2	4.1	4	0.048	<0.1	0.091	0.11
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.0001	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.033	0.057	0.041	0.044	0.009	0.022	0.03	0.053	0.003	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	9.9	9.8	12	13	3.1	4.3	4.8	6.6	0.8	0.9	1	1
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	346	511	370	305	330	517	423	305	288	529	408	137
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005
Sodium		>345	430	380	360	340	630	590	680	850	280	270	280	270
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	4,400	4,100	4,400	4,600	4,900	4,600	4,500	5,800	3,700	3,300	3,500	3,500
Sulphide		N/A	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.5	2.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.5
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025
Total Dissolved Solids		>2444	7,400	7,300	7,600	8,000	9,000	9,500	8,600	12,000	6,900	7,000	6,800	6,900
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0041	<0.01	0.0031	0.0032	0.0031	<0.01	0.0025	<0.0025	0.0068	<0.01	0.0059	0.0055
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.024	0.072	0.024	0.039	0.001	0.026	0.006	0.022	<0.001	0.021	0.006	0.006
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3	7.2	7	6.5	6.7	6.9	7	6.9	7

Q1: 19/7/2025, Q2: 18/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 10/04/2026

Table 2-18 Summary of AMD downstream facility groundwater monitoring bore results (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW020M				WBGW021M			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	11,000	11,000	9,900	9,800	9,400	9,500	9,100	9,200
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	41	46	Not Sampled	Not Sampled	60	45
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	540	500	500	530	510	510	500	550
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.025	<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	650	620	620	640	620	620	610	670
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00025	<0.00025	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00025
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	530	530	600	600	660	650	730	660
Chloride		>501	1,800	1,700	1,500	1,600	1,500	1,700	1,100	1,400
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.03	<0.005	0.021	0.05	0.0013	<0.005	<0.0005	0.0009
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.017	0.025	0.019	0.017	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	0.001	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	0.012	<0.1	<0.025	<0.025	0.023	<0.1	0.009	<0.025
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	1,400	1,300	1,100	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,100
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	4.1	4.4	4.3	4.7	0.33	0.41	0.38	0.39
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0007	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.028	0.049	0.029	0.058	0.006	<0.02	0.006	0.011
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.9
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	304	526	367	313	301	532	369	284
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	<0.001	<0.02	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005
Sodium		>345	710	620	610	600	440	390	370	370
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	6,100	5,300	4,600	4,500	4,900	4,200	4,500	4,400
Sulphide		N/A	<0.1	<0.1	0.3	<2	0.7	2	3.8	3.3
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0025	<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Total Dissolved Solids		>2444	12,000	11,000	9,200	9,400	9,800	9,500	9,000	9,300
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.015	0.011	0.0075	0.0063	0.0048	<0.01	0.0044	0.0051
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	<0.001	<0.02	0.005	0.021	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	7	7.1	6.9	6.9	7	7.1	7.1	7.1

Q1: 19/7/2025, Q2: 18/10/2025, Q3: 21/01/2026, Q4: 10/04/2026

Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	WBGW010				WBGW011				HHS0060M / WBGW055			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A					1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300				
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A					Missed	Missed	27	30				
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A					540	540	540	580				
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055					<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005				
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011					<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001				
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013					0.0007	<0.01	0.0013	<0.0005				
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450					660	660	660	710				
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002					<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005				
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350					69	67	71	68				
Chloride		>501					120	110	120	130				
Chromium (Total)	mg/L	>0.001					0.0023	<0.005	0.0006	0.0006				
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001					<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005				
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006					<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005				
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05					0.017	<0.1	0.026	0.041				
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034					<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005				
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	87	82	84	85	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9					0.058	<0.1	0.071	0.082				
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006					<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00009	<0.00005				
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A					<0.0005	<0.01	0.0012	<0.0005				
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6					<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001				
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3					1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3				
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550					377	668	248	53				
Selenium (Dissolved)		>0.01					<0.001	<0.02	0.001	<0.001				
Sodium		>345					97	86	87	86				
Sulphate, SO_4		>295					1	2	43	8				
Sulphide	mg/L	N/A					2.8	0.6	0.6	6.4				
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A					<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005				
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444					760	740	760	770				
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A					0.002	<0.01	0.0024	0.0018				
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017					<0.001	<0.02	0.002	<0.001				
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5					6.9	7.1	6.8	6.9				

Q1: 20/7/2025, Q2: 19/10/2025, Q3: 24/01/2026, Q4: 13/04/2026

Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	HHS0061M / WBGW056				HHS0062M / HHS0062M				HHS0063M / WBGW058			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	5,000	5,200		5,600	5,700	5,900		5,100	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Missed	Missed		Missed	Missed	Missed		Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	430	410		400	380	380		360	350	360	390	360
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1		<0.005	<0.005	<0.1		<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02		<0.001	<0.001	<0.02		<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.001	<0.01		0.001	<0.0005	<0.01		<0.0025	0.0006	<0.01	0.0006	<0.0025
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	520	510		490	460	460		440	430	430	470	440
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001		<0.00005	0.00014	<0.001		<0.00025	0.00008	<0.001	0.00009	<0.00025
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	290	320		360	310	340		280	280	300	280	270
Chloride		>501	570	620		610	810	960		790	690	770	710	760
Chromium (Total)	mg/L	>0.001	<0.0005	<0.005		0.0006	0.012	0.016		0.023	0.0037	<0.005	<0.0005	0.0022
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.0029	<0.01		0.0017	0.0041	<0.01		0.0037	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	0.0018	<0.01		0.0013	0.0007	<0.01		<0.0025	0.001	<0.01	0.0008	<0.0025
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1		<0.005	<0.005	<0.1		<0.025	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01		<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	420	470	Dry	490	460	500	Dry	350	360	370	350	380
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	<0.005	<0.1		<0.005	0.46	<0.1		0.35	0.044	<0.1	0.007	<0.025
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	0.00006	<0.00005		0.00018	<0.00005	<0.00005		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0011	<0.01		0.0011	0.0007	<0.01		<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0005	<0.0025
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.006	<0.02		0.005	0.019	0.041		0.061	0.012	0.04	0.009	0.009
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	1.3	1.3		1.3	1	1.2		1	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	381	556		368	375	552		361	361	550	304	379
Selenium (Dissolved)		>0.01	0.001	<0.02		0.001	<0.001	<0.02		<0.005	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005
Sodium		>345	380	380		380	440	460		390	510	510	490	490
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	1,900	2,300		2,500	1,900	2,200		1,700	1,900	2,000	1,900	2,000
Sulphide	mg/L	N/A	<0.1	<0.1		<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01		<0.0025	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	4,400	4,600		5,300	4,700	5,100		4,200	4,500	4,600	4,300	4,500
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0088	<0.01		0.0082	0.0077	0.011		0.0055	0.0041	<0.01	0.004	0.0043
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.001	0.026		0.008	0.001	0.025		0.019	0.002	0.037	0.002	<0.005
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.7	6.8		6.5	6.7	7		7	6.8	7	6.9	6.9

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Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	HHS0064M / WBGW059				HHS0065M / WBGW060				HHS0066M / WBGW061			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	µS/cm	N/A	7,200	7,200			4,900	5,000	4,900	5,300	6,500			
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Missed	Missed			Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed			
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	440	390			400	400	380	360	320			
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1			<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025	<0.005			
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02			<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.005	<0.001			
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	<0.0005	<0.01			0.0019	<0.01	0.0013	<0.0025	<0.0005			
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	530	470			480	490	460	440	400			
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001			<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00025	0.00005			
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	370	360			230	260	210	310	290			
Chloride		>501	1500	1500			710	720	700	750	840			
Chromium (Total)	mg/L	>0.001	0.018	0.057			0.002	<0.005	0.0022	0.0012	0.0069			
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	0.0024	<0.01			0.0024	<0.01	0.0015	<0.0025	<0.0005			
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	0.0012	<0.01			0.0032	<0.01	0.0022	<0.0025	0.0007			
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1			<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025	<0.005			
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01			<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005			
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	460	460	Dry	Dry	330	370	300	400	260	Dry	Dry	Dry
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	<0.005	<0.1			<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.025	0.055			
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005			<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	<0.00005	<0.00005			
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0005	<0.01			0.0014	<0.01	0.0015	<0.0025	0.0007			
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.016	0.034			0.012	0.021	0.026	0.007	0.013			
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	1.7	1.6			0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.4			
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	354	545			352	550	306	393	357			
Selenium (Dissolved)		>0.01	0.002	<0.02			0.001	<0.02	0.001	<0.005	0.001			
Sodium		>345	690	670			450	420	490	380	890			
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	1,800	2,000			1,600	1,800	1,600	1,900	2,300			
Sulphide	mg/L	N/A	<0.1	<0.1			<0.1	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1			
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01			<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0025	<0.0005			
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	5,800	6,200			3,900	4,100	3,800	4,500	5,200			
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0064	<0.01			0.0053	<0.01	0.0045	0.0058	0.002			
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.002	0.026			0.002	0.028	0.008	<0.005	0.002			
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.8	7			6.9	7	7.4	6.9	6.8			

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Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	HHS0067M / WBGW062				HHS0068M / WBGW063				HHS0070M / WBGW064			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	5,500	5,600	5,400	5,400	4,700	4,400	4,000	4,400	4,400	4,700	Dry	Dry
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed		
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	260	270	280	310	360	370	370	360	310	430		
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1		
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02		
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0009	0.0015	<0.01	0.0016	0.0015	0.0031	<0.01		
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	320	330	340	380	440	450	450	440	380	530		
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00005	<0.001	0.00008	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.001		
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	520	520	500	430	310	230	320	250	480	470		
Chloride		>501	800	910	790	860	650	680	660	700	450	670		
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0017	<0.005	0.0024	0.0011	0.0008	<0.005	0.0018	<0.0005	0.0013	0.0078		
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0049	<0.01		
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01		
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.008	<0.1		
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01		
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	360	370	340	390	400	430	390	410	260	270		
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	0.006	<0.005	<0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.72	0.76		
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00007	0.0001	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00008	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005		
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0007	0.0012	<0.01	0.0014	0.0009	0.0011	<0.01		
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.005	<0.02	0.004	0.004	0.003	<0.02	0.002	0.002	0.005	<0.02		
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.1	1	1	5.3	7		
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	351	552	314	373	346	558	315	401	345	583		
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	0.003	<0.02	0.003	0.002	0.003	<0.02	0.003	0.005	<0.001	<0.02		
Sodium		>345	350	350	330	290	270	210	260	180	280	320		
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	2,100	2,200	2,100	2,000	1,600	1,400	1,700	1,500	1,600	1,700		
Sulphide		N/A	<0.1	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.5		
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01		
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	4,900	5,000	4,600	4,700	4,000	3,700	4,000	3,600	3,900	4,000		
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0015	<0.01	0.0017	0.002	0.004	<0.01	0.0044	0.0047	0.0033	<0.01		
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.001	0.022	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.035	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.02		
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	6.6	6.8	7.5	6.8	6.7	7	6.9	8.4	6.7	7.5		

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Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	HHS0071M / WBGW065				HHS0072M / WBGW066				HHS0073M / WBGW067			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	4,400	4,400	3,300	4,200	4,000	4,400	3,900	4,900	4,000	4,100	3,200	4,000
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed	Missed
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A	420	440	460	470	460	460	460	460	420	420	440	440
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055	<0.005	<0.1	0.0011	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	0.0013	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	0.0016	<0.005
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011	<0.001	<0.02	560	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	560	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	530	<0.001
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013	0.0013	<0.01	<0.00005	0.0014	0.001	<0.01	0.00005	0.0011	0.0015	<0.01	0.00005	0.0014
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450	510	540	110	580	560	560	300	560	510	520	280	540
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002	<0.00005	<0.001	440	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.001	540	0.00006	0.00005	<0.001	510	0.00005
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350	130	130	<0.001	150	210	270	<0.001	330	280	290	0.0028	270
Chloride		>501	480	570	<0.0005	540	460	550	0.0016	580	450	570	0.0006	510
Chromium (Total)		>0.001	0.0007	<0.005	0.0009	0.0018	0.0012	<0.005	0.0014	0.0007	0.0035	<0.005	0.0009	0.0044
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.005	0.0008	0.0018	<0.01	<0.005	0.0015	0.0008	<0.01	<0.005	0.0007
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006	0.0008	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0012	0.001	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0015	0.0006	<0.01	<0.0005	0.0008
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05	<0.005	<0.1	210	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	350	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	310	<0.005
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	<0.005	<0.0005
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160	250	250	0.00006	260	310	330	0.00009	390	330	340	0.00012	310
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9	<0.005	<0.1	0.0018	<0.005	<0.005	<0.1	0.0015	<0.005	0.025	<0.1	0.0015	0.009
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.006	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.0001	0.004	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.003	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0016	<0.01	8	0.0015	0.001	<0.01	1.1	0.0015	0.0014	<0.01	0.8	0.0015
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6	0.009	<0.02	321	0.007	0.007	<0.02	325	0.005	0.004	<0.02	321	0.003
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3	7.5	6.7	0.003	5.1	2	1.1	0.001	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.003	0.8
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550	348	544	560	336	349	547	320	367	343	551	220	368
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01	0.003	<0.02	1300	0.002	0.001	<0.02	1700	0.001	0.004	<0.02	1400	0.003
Sodium		>345	560	510	<0.2	440	310	310	<0.2	330	230	220	<0.2	210
Sulphate, SO_4		>295	1,500	1,500	<0.0005	1,300	1,400	1,600	<0.0005	1,900	1,500	1,400	<0.0005	1,300
Sulphide		N/A	<0.1	<0.1	3300	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	3900	2.8	<0.1	<0.1	3200	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A	<0.0005	<0.01	0.003	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	0.0091	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.01	0.005	<0.0005
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444	3,500	3,300	<0.001	3,300	3,200	3,700	0	4,300	3,300	3,500	0	3,300
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A	0.0033	<0.01	0.0011	0.0049	0.0078	<0.01	0.0013	0.0086	0.0044	<0.01	0.0016	0.0046
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017	0.001	<0.02	560	<0.001	0.001	<0.02	560	0.016	0.001	0.027	530	<0.001
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5	7	6.7	7.5	7	6.7	6.9	7.5	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9

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Table 2-19 Groundwater monitoring bore results Near Yarnima Power Station Creek for the FY2026 reporting period (cont.)

Attribute	Unit	Internal Trigger	HHS0108M / HHS0108M				HHS0110M			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Electrical conductivity	mg/L	N/A	Missed	3,800	3,800	4,200	Missed	4,100	4,000	4,400
Total Acidity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A		35	36	30		24	31	28
Total Alkalinity ($CaCO_3$)		N/A		490	480	510		390	420	430
Aluminium (Dissolved)		>0.055		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Antimony (Dissolved)		>0.011		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Arsenic (Dissolved)		>0.013		0.0008	0.0009	0.0008		0.0009	0.001	0.001
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as HCO_3		>450		590	590	630		480	510	520
Cadmium (Dissolved)		>0.0002		0.00006	0.00005	0.00008		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium (Dissolved)		>350		230	260	220		250	270	240
Chloride		>501		590	600	590		520	480	530
Chromium (Total)		>0.001		<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0006		0.0008	0.0015	0.001
Cobalt (Dissolved)		>0.001		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Copper (Dissolved)		>0.006		0.0009	<0.0005	0.0007		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Iron (Dissolved)		>0.05		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005		<0.005	<0.005	0.009
Lead (Dissolved)		>0.0034		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium (Dissolved)		>160		250	250	250		370	330	340
Manganese (Dissolved)		>1.9		<0.005	0.015	<0.005		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury (Dissolved)		>0.0006		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum (Dissolved)		N/A		0.001	0.0009	0.001		0.0012	0.0012	0.0014
Nickel (Dissolved)		>4.6		0.001	<0.001	0.001		0.002	0.002	0.003
Potassium (Dissolved)		>7.3		4.8	5.2	4.9		1.6	1.6	1.5
Redox (Lab)	mV	>550		416	440	364		396	474	371
Selenium (Dissolved)	mg/L	>0.01		0.006	0.006	0.006		0.003	0.004	0.004
Sodium		>345		230	240	230		230	210	210
Sulphate, SO_4		>295		830	850	850		1,500	1,400	1,400
Sulphide		N/A		<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		0.8	<0.1	<0.1
Thallium (Dissolved)		N/A		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Total Dissolved Solids		>2,444		2,800	2,700	2,800		3,400	3,300	3,300
Uranium (Dissolved)		N/A		0.0077	0.0074	0.0074		0.0029	0.0028	0.0031
Zinc (Dissolved)		>0.017		0.019	<0.001	<0.001		<0.001	0.001	<0.001
pH (Field - Contractor)	pH	<6.0 - >8.5		6.8	6.9	6.8		6.8	6.8	6.9

Q1: 20/7/2025, Q2: 19/10/2025, Q3: 24/01/2026, Q4: 13/04/2026

The groundwater monitoring results for the monitoring point locations stipulated in Table 9 of the licence are presented in the tables above for FY2026. Internal trigger value exceedances were recorded for several analytes across several monitoring locations;

Sample points that were unable to be sampled during FY2026 have been captured in the AACR. Internal trigger exceedances were observed for some points in varying analytes with no distinctive trends identifiable.

WBGW010 remained consistently dry throughout both FY2025 and FY2026. Upstream sample point WBGW055 was consistently dry in FY2026. In contrast, bores WBGW041S and WBGW022, which were consistently dry throughout FY2025, were not recorded as dry during FY2026.

Condition 36– Monitoring of point source emissions to surface water

During the FY2026 reporting period, surface water monitoring of point source emissions was required as stipulated in Table 10 of the Licence. Surface water monitoring was conducted at three monitoring point locations:

1. Whaleback Creek upstream (WBSW042);
2. Whaleback Creek downstream (WBSW043);
3. Power station Creek downstream (WBSW049).

Samples were required to be taken quarterly when flowing. Refer to Table 2-20 below for FY2026 monitoring results. During the FY2026 reporting period, two non-compliances were recorded against Condition 36. WBSW042, the upstream background surface water monitoring location, was not sampled due to equipment failure in Q1 and restricted access within the autonomous haulage zone in Q2. Please refer to the AACR for further details.

Table 2-20 Summary of point source emissions to surface water

Emission Point Reference		WBSW042 (Whaleback Creek Upstream)				WBSW043 (Whaleback Creek Downstream)				WBSW049 (Powerstation Creek Downstream)			
Parameter	**Units**	**Q1**	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**	**Q1**	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**	**Q1**	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**
pH	pH	No sample taken	No sample taken	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L												
TSS													
TRH													
Silver (Ag)													
Aluminium (Al)													
Arsenic (As)													
Boron (B)													
Calcium (Ca)													
Cadmium (Cd)													
Chloride (Cl)													
Carbonate (CO3)													
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)													
Chromium (Cr)													
Copper (Cu)													
Iron (Fe)													
Bicarbonate (HCO3)													
Mercury (Hg)													
Potassium (K)													
Magnesium (Mg)													
Manganese (Mn)													
Molybdenum (Mo)													
Sodium (Na)													
Nickel (Ni)													
Nitrate (NO3)													
Lead (Pb)													
Selenium (Se)													
Sulphate (SO4)													
Total Nitrogen													
Total Phosphorus													
Zinc (Zn)													

Condition 37– ARD Facility

During FY2026, the ARD Facility was operated in accordance with Condition 37, with water managed through the ARD Dam and designated evaporation cells as required by the licence. No non-compliances with operational requirements were identified during the reporting period.

Improvement condition

Condition 38– Acid Rock Drainage improvement requirements

The improvements required by Condition 38 were completed in September 2025, with the investigation report submitted to DWER on 26 September 2025. The investigation identified that WBGW015 and WBGW016 are suitable replacement bores

for WBGW014 based on their location, hydrogeological setting, groundwater levels, and historical water quality data trends. A review of bore survey data and bore construction details confirmed that the target aquifer was being monitored, further demonstrating that WBGW015 and WBGW016 are suitable replacement bores for WBGW014. These bores will continue to be monitored as part of the Whaleback groundwater monitoring network.

Records and reporting

Condition 39 – Records and reporting

There were no recorded complaints in FY2026.

Condition 40 – Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR)

For the FY2026 reporting period, an AACR has been completed and included in the following section, assessing compliance against the Licence criteria.

Condition 41 – Annual Environmental Report

This report presents the results of monitoring and supporting records, information, reports and data required to be submitted to the CEO.

Condition 42 – ARD Facility Update

As outlined in recent DWER communications, BHP underwent an Initiation Phase Study (IPS) which informed the development of an Early Works Remediation Plan (EWRP) to support ongoing mining operations.

The EWRP identifies a series of priority upgrade works at the Acid Rock Drainage Facility (ARDF) aimed at improving the hydraulic performance and structural integrity of key infrastructure elements, including:

- Upgrade of the evaporation pond 5 (EP5) spillway, including resizing and provision of erosion control to safely convey the peak flow resulting from 1:1000 Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) design flood to meet Australian National Committee of Large Dams (ANCOLD) requirements (the subject of this specification).
- Top up of the ARD dam embankment crest, to raise the embankment crest level and ensure adequate freeboard in line with industry standards
- Installation of new Vibrating Wire Piezometers (VWPs) within the ARDF dam to replace the existing VWPs to support ongoing monitoring.
- Upgrade of the existing ARD spillway with rock armouring and an extended apron.
- Undertake additional geotechnical investigation around the ARDF dam and EP5 to better understand the strength of the ARD dam foundation and lithology underlying the EP5 spillway respectively.

Routine environmental monitoring programs continue as per licence L4503/1975/14 requirements and additional monitoring wells, primarily north of Power Station Creek, are planned for FY2027 to further delineate potential impacts in accordance with ERM DSI (2024) recommendations.

Condition 43 – Record keeping

Accurate and auditable books of the following records, information, reports and data have been kept including the following information;

a) Calculation of fees payable;
b) Works conducted in accordance with conditions 6 & 7 of the licence;
c) Maintenance of infrastructure that is performed in complying with condition 2 of the licence;
d) A record of instances where management actions are not initiated for the reasons specified in condition 18;
e) Monitoring programs undertaken in accordance with conditions 3, 12 ,22, 31, 32,35 and 36.
f) Complaints received under condition 39 of the licence.

Condition 44 – Department requests

The records specified under condition 43 are kept in a legible condition and in accordance with the requirements in this condition.

Condition 45 – Department requests

BHP have complied with the requirements in this condition and responded to department requests within the allocated time period of 14 days where required.

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Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L4503/1975/14	Licence file number:	DER2013/000901
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	72,000,000 tonnes
54 – Sewage facility	60.25 m^3 per day
61 – Liquid waste facility	0 tonnes annual period
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	1,574 tonnes
73 – Bulk storage of chemicals etc.	11,681 m^3

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
6 – Mine dewatering	10,704,323 tonnes per annual period

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	2	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The bioremediation facility is not being operated in accordance with the design and operational requirements specified in Schedule 4, Table 16, Item 9. The facility liner does not achieve the required permeability of $\leq 10^{-9}$ m/s, and the facility design does not enable potentially contaminated stormwater to be contained within the facility.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Within the OB29 Landfarm footprint, there is potential for localised soil contamination associated with the disposal of hydrocarbon contaminated soil. The OB29 bioremediation facility, which is located on the OB29 Overburden Storage Area (OSA) is situated more than 50 m from surface water bodies and at least 100 m above groundwater, providing sufficient distance from potential environmental discharge pathways. The ground on which the facility is located is characterised as being flat / gently sloping. For these reasons, risks for potential impacts to groundwater and surface water receptors is considered low. There are no known or suspected impacts to groundwater, surface water, or environmentally sensitive areas associated with the OB29 Landfarm.			
			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The bioremediation facility was not constructed to the licence design specifications			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Engineering and design drawings for a new bioremediation facility to be located at Whaleback have been completed. A detailed facility audit was completed in FY2026, in which a number of operational improvements were identified. A Tactical Improvement Plan (TIP) has been developed to improve operational facility management and efficiency of soil remediation at the facility.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☒ Reported to DWER verbally		Date 02/08/2023	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: FY2023, FY2024, FY2025 AER	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	12 (Table 3)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	30 September 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The continuous data collection, as required under Condition 12 Table 3, was not achieved for Q1 of FY2026 for the Stockyard weather sensor (AT796).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There is no actual or suspected environmental impact from this non-compliance. The issue was limited to the loss of continuous meteorological data due to equipment failure at weather station AT796. No environmental exceedances, uncontrolled emissions, or impacts to air quality, land, water, flora, fauna, or sensitive receptors occurred during the period. The non-compliance was administrative in nature and did not affect environmental performance or management.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:		
The meteorological monitoring equipment sensor faulted during Q1of FY2026 and therefore continuous monitoring was unable to be achieved. BHP installed a new AT796 weather station in December 2025.		
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:		
The AT796 weather station forms part of the Newman Air Quality network, which is maintained by Aecom consultants and includes routine maintenance and scheduled equipment replacement.		
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?		
☐ No ☒ Yes, and		
☒Reported to DWER verbally	Date: 10 / 09 / 2025	
☒Reported to DWER in writing	Date: FY2025 AER, 29 July 2026	

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Condition no:	8 (Table 1)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	19 July 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Dust monitors WBAQRT017 (item 7) and WBAQRT027 (item 8) were required to be relocated by 30 June 2025 (Table 1). Within 30 days following the completion of construction and/or installation of the infrastructure or equipment, an audit of compliance against the requirements stipulated in Table 1 is to be completed and an Environmental Compliance Report with as-constructed plans, detailed site plan and signature by person authorised to represent the licence holder is to be submitted to the CEO. WBAQRT017 was relocated on 16 June 2025 and WBAQRT027 was relocated on 19 June 2025, in accordance with Table 1 and the specified completion date 30 June 2025, however an Environmental Compliance Report was submitted 10th of September 2025 which was outside the 30 calendar days as required.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
As the non-compliance related only to reporting, no environmental impacts occurred.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The reporting non-compliance was caused by an administrative oversight and resource constraints within the responsible team.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The late submission was identified, and the Environmental Compliance Report was submitted to the regulator as soon as practicable. To prevent recurrence, compliance reporting deadlines have been entered into the compliance tracking system, reporting responsibilities have been assigned with backup personnel identified to cover staff shortages, and periodic reviews of compliance obligations will be undertaken to ensure reporting requirements are met within the prescribed timeframes.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:	6 (Table 1) Row 9	Date(s) of non-compliance:	10 October 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
BHP was required to install a replacement meteorological station (Whaleback AWS 2 (WBWS003) for WBWS001 – Whaleback AWS) to measure temperature, rainfall, relative humidity, wind speed and wind direction in accordance with method AS/NZS 3580.14, by 30 September 2025, as required under Condition 6, Table 1, Row 9. The replacement meteorological station was commissioned on 25 November 2025.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact, as the alternative BHP meterological station was utilised to support air quality event responses and assessments.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
As detailed in the correspondence to DWER on 26 September 25: • BHP's first preferred site selected was impacted by a lightning event; and • BHP's second preferred site selected was impacted by a flooding event.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Replacement of the meteorological has been completed, with the station now integrated into BHP's air quality network and subject to routine maintenance and upgrades by Acoem air quality consultants.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 26 September 2025	

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Condition no:	35 (Table 9)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	30 September 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Groundwater monitoring was not completed in accordance with Condition 35, Table 9 for groundwater bores HHS0108M and HHS0110M, located near Yarnima Power Station Creek in Q1 of FY2026.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Although Q1 sampling was not undertaken, the available Q2 to Q4 monitoring data indicate that groundwater chemistry remained broadly consistent throughout the reporting period, with no material changes or notable trends observed between monitoring events.			





Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Samples were not collected due to an administrative error.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
BHP verified with the contractor completing the work that Q1 samples were not collected with groundwater monitoring undertaken as soon as possible following identification. The contractor schedule was updated to ensure samples are collected in the first month of the quarter, to allow opportunity to identify potential future missed sampling events and sample within the second month of the quarter if required.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: / /

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	35 (Table 9)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 of FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
None of the bores were monitored for Total Acidity (as $CaCO_3$) as specified under Table 9 of Condition 35 in Q1 and Q2 due to an error in the groundwater sampling schedule. For Q3 and Q4 the following bores were not monitored: Q3: WBGW058, WBGW060, WBGW062, WBGW063, WBGW0634, WBGW065, WBGW066 and WBGW067 Q4: WBGW056, WBGW057, WBGW058, WBGW060, WBGW062, WBGW063, WBGW065, WBGW066 and WBGW067.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Following the licence amendment, an administrative error occurred where Total Acidity was not included in the updated monitoring schedule.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The groundwater sampling schedule has been updated to ensure inclusion of the additional licence-required analytes. The contractor schedule was updated to ensure samples are collected in the first month of the quarter, to allow opportunity to identify potential future missed analytes within the second month of the quarter if required.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	36 (Table 10)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	30 September 2025, 31 December 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Surface water sampling location WBSW042 was unable to be sampled as per Condition 36, Table 10 due to equipment malfunction and safe access constraints.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual or suspected environmental impact resulted from this non-compliance. The missed sample at WBSW042 resulted in a temporary gap in background monitoring data only and did not involve an unauthorised discharge, exceedance of licence limits, or impact to surface water quality. Downstream monitoring locations were dry during the monitoring periods.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
During Q1 routine sampling at the Whaleback Creek upstream background emission point (WBSW042), SGS were unable to take sample due to an equipment issue. A notification was raised, and the corresponding work order has been completed. On Q2 sampling activity, the technician had issues in accessing the site due to restrictions at the Autonomous Operations barricade. This access issue delayed progression to the sampling location	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Sampling equipment has been replaced, with routine inspections established. An improved access route has been established within the Autonomous zone to enable ongoing access to the sample location.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☐ No ☒ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
☒ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: FY2026 AER

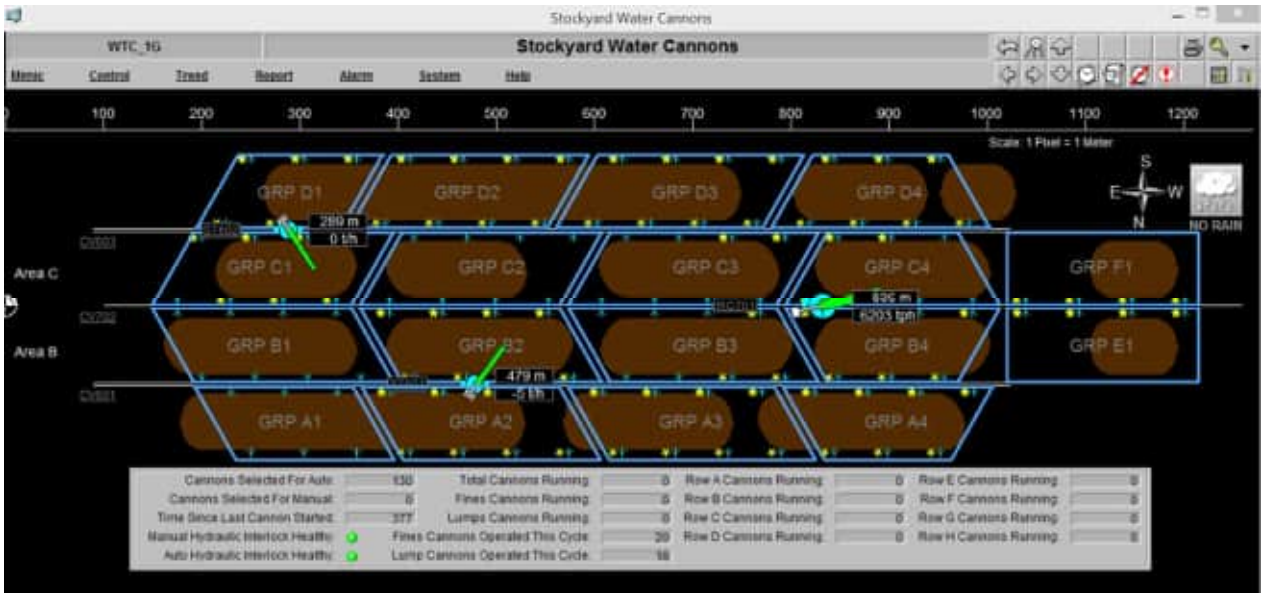
Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:	3	Date(s) of non-compliance:	28 February 2026

Details of non-compliance:

During February 2026, the Average Monthly Performance (time in Auto mode) of Stockyard Water Cannons at the Mt Whaleback Fixed Plant was 85.77%, below the licence performance target of ≥90% required under Licence L4503/1975/14, Condition 3(b), as specified in the annual environmental reporting requirements.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?
NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

There was no actual or suspected environmental impact of the non-compliance.



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

During a Plant Shutdown an improvement was executed to install new isolation valves in the stockyard to enable more cannons to be repaired during normal operations rather than waiting for a shutdown. The water line to the cannons was isolated from 1:32PM on the 9th of February to 8:20PM on the 12th of February to enable this work hence leading to 85.77% compliance for the month, below the target of 90%.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

Maintenance will ensure appropriate compliance controls are implemented when dust control equipment is unavailable, including raising a compliance bridge where required. The stockyard water system has also been modified to allow individual cannon supply lines to be isolated without stopping the stackers, enabling repairs to be completed within 24–48 hours and reducing the likelihood of future compliance impacts.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☒ No ☐ Yes, and

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Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Schedule 4: Table 16	Date(s) of non-compliance:	18 February 2026, 28 March 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The Whaleback front gate effluent service pit overflowed due to a blockage within the system pipework. This incident constitutes a non-compliance with Whaleback Licence L4503/1975/14, Schedule 4 (Infrastructure and Equipment), Table 16 – Other Infrastructure / Equipment Controls and Operational Requirements. Specifically, Item 1 requires wastewater treatment vessels and EPCO ponds to be managed such that overtopping does not occur. The overflow occurred at the Security Gate STP.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There was no actual or suspected environmental impact of the non-compliance. The overflow was limited to the Security Gate STP and was contained within the area. The estimated volume released was low and did not migrate beyond the site drainage or enter any surface water.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
The gatehouse safety improvement project resulted in an increased number of personnel using the toilet facilities, leading to higher effluent volumes and contributing to the overflow.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
The Area Supervisor notified the Infrastructure Supervisor. A technician attended site and cleared the blockage within the pipework. The Environmental team was advised of the incident. Previous notification was converted to Work Order 437150082 which was completed to upsize the strainer to reduce the risk of recurrence.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
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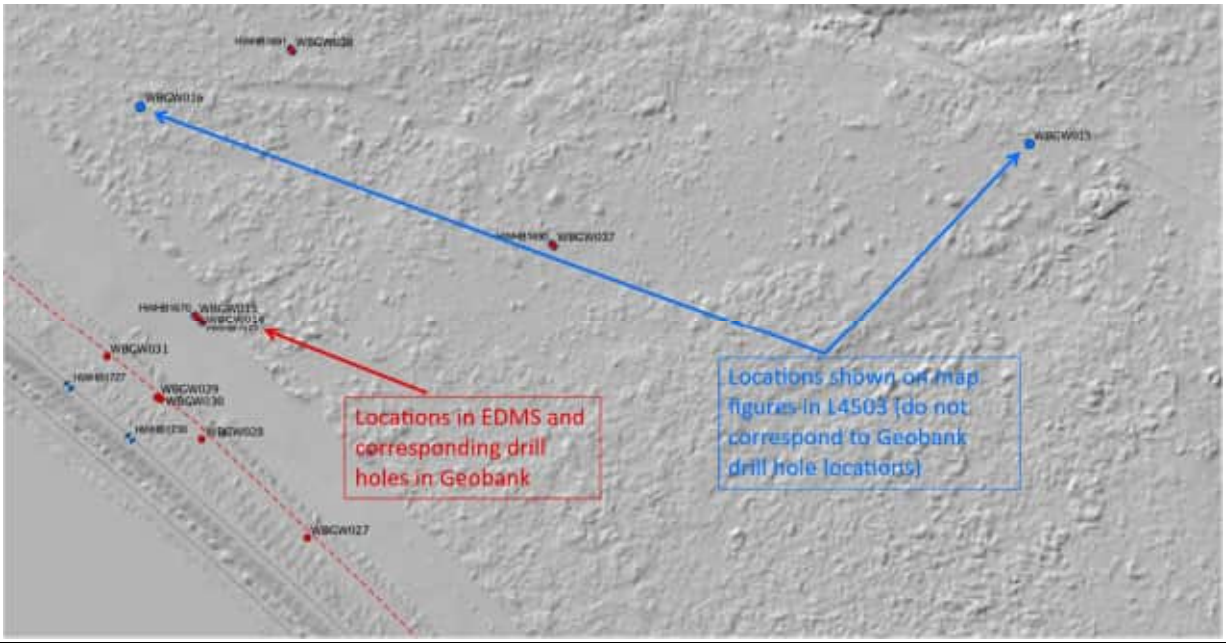
Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	6 (Table 1)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	31 December 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
As reported to DWER in correspondence dated 17 March 2026, three of the twelve OHP4 screenhouse covers were installed on 16 February 2026, after the required completion date of 31 December 2025 specified in Table 1 of Condition 6.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual or suspected environmental impact resulted from this non-compliance. The delayed installation of three OHP4 screenhouse covers did not result in any recorded increase in dust emissions, environmental incidents, or complaints, and existing dust management controls remained in place until installation was completed.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:		
The screenhouse covers were procured in advance however installation of the screenhouse covers was required to be completed when the OHP4 Plant was shutdown. Nine of the 12 screens were installed by 31 December, with the remaining three screens completed by 16 February 2026.		
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:		
All 15 screenhouse covers have now been installed with routine maintenance inspections scheduled for the upgraded screenhouse covers.		
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?		
☐ No ☒ Yes, and		
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: 17 March 2026	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	2 Schedule 4 Table 16	Date(s) of non-compliance:	02 Apil 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The evaporation pond associated with the Biomax Hub Sewage Treatment Plant overtopped, resulting in the release of treated effluent. The overflow entered a man-made drainage channel adjacent to the haul road, where it pooled against the external side of the windrow. The accumulated water subsequently breached the windrow, flowed onto the haul road, and resulted in a treated effluent spill.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There was no actual or suspected environmental impact resulting from the non-compliance. The treated effluent remained within a disturbed operational area and did not impact any environmentally sensitive receptors. Laboratory analysis confirmed all results were below 2000 ANZECC Australian and New Zealand guideline limits, and the Infrastructure & Services (I&S) department subsequently beneficially reused the treated effluent for dust suppression. Based on these findings, no adverse environmental impacts were identified.			
			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The evaporation pond lacked sufficient freeboard/capacity to contain inflows, resulting in overtopping and the uncontrolled release of treated effluent from the containment system.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The incident was reported, and water quality monitoring was undertaken by SGS to assess any potential environmental impact.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	21 Table 5	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The storage of conveyor belt waste (Inert Waste Type 2) at the Whaleback conveyor yard does not comply with the waste processing requirements of Table 5, Condition 21, where temporary storage of waste (<1year) can be stored onsite before disposal offsite or by landfilling must occur. Approximately 2100 tonnes of conveyor waste have been stored, pending recycling or final disposal for greater than 2 years. Throughout FY2026, incorrect waste types (pallets) were also disposed at the SP07 Innert waste type 1 site resulting in non-compliance against Table 5 item 1.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual environmental impact was observed. Potential impacts from not segregating conveyor belt waste include reduced opportunities for reuse and recycling, prolonged storage durations, and increased housekeeping and fire risks. These risks are managed through designated storage areas and routine inspections.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Conveyor belt waste has accumulated onsite due to delays in securing a suitable contractor and disposal pathway, including reuse, recycling or disposal offsite options. As a result, the material has remained in temporary storage areas that do not meet the waste processing requirements of Condition 21.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP has completed a competitive tender process to engage a vendor to dispose of the conveyor waste. The tenders are currently under review, with commissioning of the work to be undertaken across FY2027.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	35 Table 9	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
A review of the Whaleback L4503 Licence groundwater compliance monitoring network was undertaken at the Whaleback ARD Facility to identify suitable replacement bores for a destroyed compliance monitoring bore. During the review, discrepancies were identified between the bore locations specified under Condition 35, Table 9 – Groundwater monitoring, the bore locations recorded in the environmental database did not match the physical bore locations confirmed in the field for bores WBGW015 and WBGW016.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There was no actual or suspected environmental impact of the non-compliance.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The non-compliance was caused by historical inconsistencies and misalignment between the licence-listed groundwater monitoring bore locations under Condition 35, Table 9, the environmental database records, and the actual field-verified bore locations for WBGW015 and WBGW016. These discrepancies had not previously been identified or corrected, resulting in the approved monitoring network not accurately reflecting the current bore locations.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The discrepancies for WBGW015 and WBGW016 have been addressed through the upcoming licence amendment process, with updated groundwater monitoring bore locations			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	22	Date(s) of non-compliance:	30 June 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Waste records and monthly waste volume reconciliations for the OB29 Bioremediation facility and SP07 inert waste facility were not maintained, as required under Condition 22, in FY2026.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Annual waste volume surveys were completed for these facilities, to capture volumes being processed and waste disposed. On this basis, there was no actual or suspected environmental impact of the non-compliance.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Waste facility onsite was transferred to a new role and department, resulting in an oversight on the requirement to obtain waste data.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
A Tactical Improvement Plan (TIP) has been developed to improve operational facility management, which will include monthly waste volume surveys at each facility in FY2027 to reconcile disposal records.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date:

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

[1] It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

[2] AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

2.3 L4513/1969/18

The BHP Port Operations operate under Licence 4513/1969/18, which manages iron ore receiving, processing, stockpiling and shipping facilities at Nelson Point, and Finucane Island, located either side of the Port Hedland inner harbour. L4513/1969/18 was amended during the reporting period, and a revised version of the licence was granted on 21 July 2025. The AER addresses the requirements of Conditions 37 (a)–(c) of L4513/1969/18.

Condition 37 (b) – determination of success in achieving no net increase in dust emissions from prescribed activities at either Nelson Point or Finucane Island, in the year following submission of the Dust Monitoring Report in accordance with Condition 31.

Condition 3 Abatement Stage 1B associated with an increase in throughput up to 303 Mtpa has been completed and the associated Environmental Compliance Report submitted on 1 December 2025, meeting the requirements outlined in Condition 11. Stage 2A has also been completed, with the Environmental Compliance Report submitted on 1 May 2026 (no associated increase in throughput). Table 2-21 below summarises the Port Operations status of compliance.

Table 2-21 Summary of Condition 3: Abatement Projects and compliance with Condition 37

Condition 3 Abatement Stages	Schedule 2 Table 10 Abatements Stage	Stage Status	Condition 10 Compliance Report	Condition 12 Dust Control Validation Report	Condition 31 Dust Monitoring Report
295 Mtpa	Stage 1A	Completed	Compliant. Submitted 28 June 2024	Compliant. Submitted 24 December 2024	-
303 Mtpa	Stage 1B	Completed	Compliant. Submitted 1 December 2025	Compliant. Not yet submitted.	
330 Mtpa	Stage 2A	Completed	Compliant. Submitted 1 May 2026	Compliant. Not yet submitted.	
	Stage 2B	Abatements under construction or in planning phase	Compliant. Not yet submitted	Compliant. Not yet submitted.	
	Stage 2C	Abatements under construction or in planning phase	Compliant, Not yet submitted	Compliant. Not yet submitted.	
	Stage 2A – 2C	-	-	-	Compliant. Not yet submitted.

Condition 37 c (i) – Condition 16: Dust control infrastructure Average Monthly Availability

Dust control infrastructure at Port Operations is required to operate in accordance with Condition 16 of L4513/1969/18 (330 Mtpa Licence), which requires a 90 per cent Average Monthly Availability. Port achieved a greater than 90 per cent Average Monthly Availability for all dust control infrastructure during the reporting period except for fogging sprays in July 2025 (see AACR).

Table 2-22 Dust control infrastructure Average Monthly Availability

Date	Average Monthly Availability					
	Belt Wash Station	BOC Spray	Boom Spray	Dust Collector	Fogging Spray	Licence Limit
Jul-25	95.39%	97.23%	95.28%	91.34%	**86.91%**	**≥ 90 %**
Aug-25	95.77%	96.65%	94.55%	96.24%	94.78%	**≥ 90 %**
Sep-25	93.45%	97.92%	96.95%	94.86%	95.39%	**≥ 90 %**
Oct-25	90.90%	95.79%	94.78%	96.50%	96.88%	**≥ 90 %**
Nov-25	95.63%	96.72%	94.97%	97.39%	92.84%	**≥ 90 %**
Dec-25	94.35%	97.47%	94.09%	97.00%	92.26%	**≥ 90 %**
Jan-26	91.15%	96.82%	94.04%	96.51%	94.04%	**≥ 90 %**
Feb-26	93.14%	91.32%	94.24%	98.14%	97.63%	**≥ 90 %**
Mar-26	94.00%	92.46%	96.28%	96.53%	91.08%	**≥ 90 %**
Apr-26	92.00%	94.32%	96.65%	97.16%	91.46%	**≥ 90 %**
May-26	92.10%	94.41%	95.81%	97.08%	93.07%	**≥ 90 %**
Jun-26	92.13%	95.75%	94.86%	97.69%	97.66%	**≥ 90 %**

Limit exceedance

L4513/1969/18 (330 Mtpa Licence), Condition 37 c (ii & iii) – Condition 20, 21 & 22: Moisture Content Monitoring and Moisture Content Limits

In accordance with Condition 20, moisture analyser availability met the continuous monitoring requirement of 90 per cent data capture, at 95 per cent for FY2026.

In accordance with Condition 21, the moisture content of iron ore out-loaded from the premises has been calculated as an annual average for each product. Moisture content of all iron-ore out-loaded from the premises was above the corresponding DEM level for FY2026, as summarised in Figure 2-1 below.

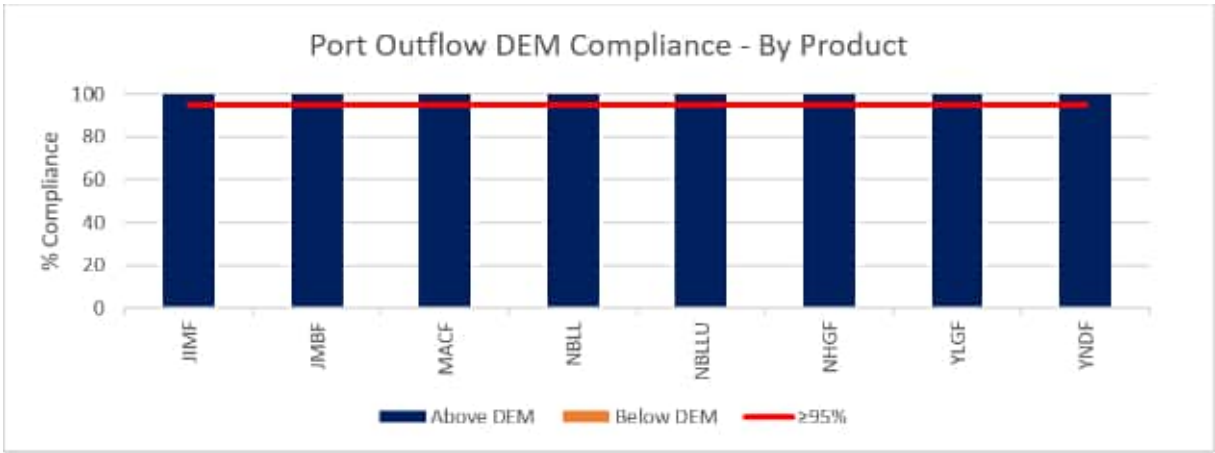


Figure 2-1 Out-loaded moisture monitoring results

In accordance with Condition 22, in-loaded moisture monitoring results are summarised in Figure 2-2 below, with all months of in-loaded iron ore above required DEM for FY2026.

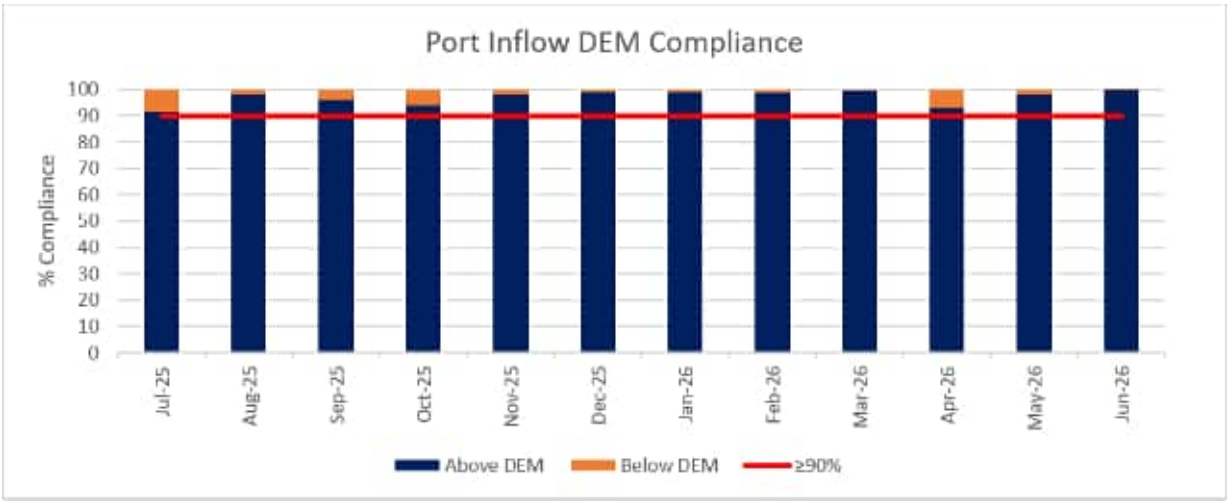


Figure 2-2 In-loaded moisture monitoring results

L4513/1969/18 (330 Mtpa Licence), Condition 37 c (iv) – Condition 32: Wastewater and Wash Water Monitoring

In FY2026, all parameters for wastewater and wash water sampling of L1 to L4 were below the limits specified in Table 6 of the 330 Mtpa Licence (refer to Table 2-23 below).

Table 2-23 Wastewater and wash water monitoring results

Emission point	Parameter	Limit [mg/L]	Frequency				
				14/04/26			
L1 NP WWTP (NPDMSEW045)	TN	100	Annual	48			
	TP	15		3.6			
				14/04/26			
L2 FI WWTP (FIDMSEW007)	TN	100	Annual	5.8			
	TP	15		3.2			
				15/07/25	6/10/25	16/01/26	17/04/26
L3 FI FWR (FISW003)	TRH (C10-C36)	15	Quarterly	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
				18/07/25	7/10/25	12/01/26	13/04/26
L4 NP FWR (NPSW034)	TRH (C10-C36)	15	Quarterly	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1

NB: NP is 'Nelson Point', FI is 'Finucane Island', WWTP is 'Wastewater Treatment Plant', FWR is 'Fresh Water Recovery', TN is Total Nitrogen, TP is Total Phosphorus.

All parameters for wastewater and wash water sampling of L6 to L9 were below the limits specified in Table 6 of the 330 Mtpa Licence (refer to Table 2-26 below).

Table 2-24 Licence Table 6: Wastewater and washwater discharge monitoring (L7 Daily)

Date	Flow meter reading	Electrical Conductivity	pH	Total titratable acidity	Total alkalinity	Dissolved oxygen (ppm)	Redox potential
1/07/2025	5.86	49,427	7.83	30	690	71.6	154.7
2/07/2025	12.3	49,331	7.74	-	840	61.6	81.9
3/07/2025	3.35	48,972	7.69	45	600	63.5	102.7
4/07/2025	12.18	48,138	7.63	-	780	70.2	78.3
5/07/2025	10.17	47,677	7.6	30	750	67.4	125.8
6/07/2025	10.65	47,843	7.73	15	1,140	59.6	223.5
7/07/2025	-	20,356	7.27	15	810	64.3	107.9
8/07/2025	12.49	47,716	7.62	45	675	78.5	179.2
9/07/2025	13.85	48,114	7.64	22.5	780	52.1	91.6
10/07/2025	9.3	48,330	6.28	75	630	83.4	222
11/07/2025	6.3	48,096	7.94	30	660	86.6	101.8
12/07/2025	8	46,700	7.8	75	735	66.9	741
13/07/2025	4.4	22,680	7.73	25	730	105.7	137.1
14/07/2025	15.7	25,147	7.69	55	765	79.5	67.8
15/07/2025	15.8	47,755	7.46	80	675	69.8	96.8
16/07/2025	18.8	12,259	7.45	38	765	84.6	59
17/07/2025	19	48,287	7.61	40	690	64.9	87.8
18/07/2025	16.8	13,430	7.35	30	750	67.5	27.9
19/07/2025	18.7	13,524	8.05	75	650	92.4	7.39
20/07/2025	16	24,431	7.34	70	630	7.63	10.2
21/07/2025	18.6	13,669	7.61	65	855	56.7	78.1
22/07/2025	12.75	45,836	7.49	60	732	61.8	90.9
23/07/2025	10.02	46,765	7.4	45	705	67.3	47.9
24/07/2025	11.63	15,167	7.43	30	650	71.5	114.2
25/07/2025	5.13	14,829	7.38	30	705	87.2	53.8
26/07/2025	5.51	43,172	-	-	-	80.5	-
27/07/2025	5.44	46,427	7.51	-	-	81.7	113.5
28/07/2025	10.64	14,417	6.92	-	-	107.8	57.1
29/07/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30/07/2025	14.21	-	-	-	-	-	-
31/07/2025	15.6	-	-	40	900	-	-
1/08/2025	15.4	-	-	60	900	-	-
2/08/2025	15.4	22,098	7.77	45	1,020	100.9	7.77
3/08/2025	8.58	44,964	7.66	50	990	97	72.3
4/08/2025	15.5	46,193	7.64	50	900	88.9	153.5
5/08/2025	15.8	43,570	7.62	50	930	99.6	30.7
6/08/2025	10.22	46,132	7.46	780	45	82.8	101.3
7/08/2025	11.75	42,559	7.7	54	795	93.7	165.2
8/08/2025	14.54	45,682	7.66	57	705	96	194.2
9/08/2025	12.18	46,338	7.58	60	720	87.6	132.3
10/08/2025	12.08	47,472	7.54	45	780	88.5	136.4
11/08/2025	12.07	44,368	7.66	45	795	86.9	183.3
12/08/2025	15.44	43,999	7.69	60	810	83.9	151.1
13/08/2025	11.31	41,060	7.91	50	900	94.8	157.1
14/08/2025	9.8	47,279	7.98	40	780	101.8	98.7
15/08/2025	10.5	43,355	7.78	35	795	98.1	47.4
16/08/2025	11.4	40,830	7.86	75	600	87.4	154
17/08/2025	11.6	42,183	7.9	50	670	101.2	141.3
18/08/2025	11.6	41,545	7.82	30	750	91.9	131.5
19/08/2025	7.74	44,551	7.83	50	750	96	37.4
20/08/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
21/08/2025	6.1	19,051	7.93	30	600	87	134
22/8/2025 – 24/11/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
25/11/2025	32.4	21,780	7.8	8.6	295	754	-47
26/11/2025	32.4	21,611	7.8	8.6	290	719	-51
27/11/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
28/11/2025	36	21,820	7.2	-	-	711	-47
29/11/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
30/11/2025							
1/12/2025	39.6	21,820	7.2	-	-	712	-50
2/12/2025	28.8	21,819	7.2	-	-	710	-48
3/12/2025	28.8	21,790	7.2	5.6	340	710	-45
4/12/2025	32.4	21,810	7.3	-	-	715	-47
5/12/2025	36	21,800	7.4	-	-	714	-50
6/12/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
7/12/2025							
8/12/2025	28.8	21,810	7.3	-	-	710	-47
9/12/2025	30.6	21,800	7.3	-	-	712	-45
10/12/2025	27	20,798	7.2	<5	310	723	-55
11/12/2025	36	21,500	7.2	-	-	742	-50
12/12/2025	36	21,322	7.2	-	-	730	-41
13/12/2025	28.8	21,430	7.2	-	-	704	-58

Date	Flow meter reading	Electrical Conductivity	pH	Total titratable acidity	Total alkalinity	Dissolved oxygen (ppm)	Redox potential
14/12/2025	32.4	20,997	7.2	-	-	715	-43
15/12/2025	29	21,359	7.1	-	-	699	-38
16/12/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
17/12/2025	36	14,000	8.3	<5	320	718	-47
18/12/2025 – 13/01/2026	**WTP PLANT NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN - CHRISTMAS BREAK)**						
14/01/2026	29	22,000	8.2	5.7	310	699	-45
15/01/2026 – 19/01/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
20/01/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21/01/2026	32.4	21,000	7.3	5.4	310	-	-
22/01/2026	32.4	19,000	8.2	5.4	290	-	-
23/01/2026	32.4	20,000	7.2	5.7	320	-	-
24/01/2026	18	18,000	7.3	5.7	280	-	-
25/01/2026 – 28/01/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
29/01/2026	7.7	16,000	8.3	<5	350	-	-
30/01/26 – 17/02/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
18/02/2026	10.2	8,700	8.4	<5	190	-	-
19/02/2026	36	10,000	7.9	<5	250	-	-
20/02/2026	28.8	18,000	7.9	<5	280	-	-
21/02/2026 – 11/03/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
12/03/2026	36	9,400	8.2	7.5	200	-	-
13/03/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
14/03/2026	43.2	-	7.1	-	-	-	-
15/03/2026	43.2	-	8.1	-	-	-	-
16/03/2026	43.2	-	8	-	-	-	-
17/03/2026	28.8	-	8.2	-	-	-	-
18/03/2026	28.8	-	8.3	-	-	-	-
19/03/2026	28.8	-	8	-	-	-	-
20/03/2026	43.2	-	8.2	-	-	-	-
21/03/2026	36	-	8	-	-	-	-
22/03/2026	43.2	10,000	8.1	<5	240	-	-
23/03/2026 – 28/03/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**						
29/03/2026	34.2	-	7.68	-	-	-	-
30/03/2026	7.2	-	8.4	-	-	-	-
31/03/2026	10.44	6,700	8.3	<5	140	-	-
1/04/2026	10	-	8.3	-	-	-	-
2/04/2026	11	-	8.3	-	-	-	-
3/04/2026	8	-	8.3	-	-	-	-
4/04/2026	10	-	8.3	-	-	-	-
5/04/2026 – 15/06/2026	**WTP PLANT NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)**						
16/06/2026	7.14	39,111	7.91	30	690	49	110
17/06/2026	6.98	40,122	7.9	40	670	44	120
18/06/2026	10.2	41,250	7.2	40	630	56	90
19/06/2026	12.57	45,290	8.02	50	510	38	160
20/06/2026	14.56	42,682	8.07	80	640	62	159
21/06/2026	15.71	44,875	7.81	110	480	81	180
22/06/2026	15.47	40,278	7.6	140	630	29	113
23/06/2026	13.45	37,746	7.85	30	162	9	23
24/06/2026 – 30/06/2026	**WTP PLANT NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)**						

- Indicates measurements which were not undertaken. These are discussed to in the AACR section under Condition 32(b).

Table 2-25 Licence Table 6: Wastewater and washwater discharge monitoring (L7 Weekly)

Parameter		Aluminium (total)	Aluminium (dissolved)	Arsenic (total)	Arsenic (dissolved)	Cadmium (total)	Cadmium (dissolved)	Chromium (total)	Chromium (dissolved)	Cobalt (total)	Cobalt (dissolved)	Copper (total)	Copper (dissolved)	Manganese (total)	Manganese (dissolved)	Iron (dissolved)	Nickel (total)	Nickel (dissolved)	Selenium (total)	Selenium (dissolved)
License Limit		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit		mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
Week 1	7/07/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 2	14/07/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 3	21/07/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 4	28/07/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 5	4/08/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 6	11/08/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 7	18/08/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 8 – Week 20	22/08/2025 – 24/11/2025	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)																		
Week 21	26/11/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 22	3/12/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 23	10/12/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 24	17/12/2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 25	24/12/2025	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)																		
Week 26	31/12/2025																			
Week 27	7/01/2025																			
Week 28	14/01/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 29	22/01/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 30	29/01/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 31	5/02/2026	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)																		
Week 32	12/02/2026																			
Week 33	18/02/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 34	25/02/2026	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)																		
Week 35	4/03/2026																			
Week 36	12/03/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 37	22/03/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 38	24/03/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 39	31/03/2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Week 40 – Week 49	5/04/2026 – 17/06/2026	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)																		
Week 50	18/06/2026	<0.05	<0.05	0.003	0.003	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.005	0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.05	<0.05	0.052	0.052	0.048	0.002	0.002
Week 51	23/06/2026	<0.05	<0.05	0.003	0.003	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.007	0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.05	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.002	0.001

NB Week 52 sampled on 1 July 2026 – will be reported in FY2027 AER.

- Indicates measurements which were not undertaken. These are discussed to in the AACR section under Condition 32(b).

Table 2-25 Licence Table 6: Wastewater and washwater discharge monitoring (L7 Weekly - Continued)

Parameter		Zinc (total)	Zinc (dissolved)	Total iron	Mercury	Lead	Turbidity	TRH C6-C10 fraction minus BTEX	TRH >C10-C16 fraction minus naphthalene	TRH >C16-C34 fraction	TRH >C34-C40 fraction	Benzene	Naphthalene	Chlorobenzene	1,2-dichlorobenzene	1,3-dichlorobenzene	1,4-dichlorobenzene	PFOS	PFOS + PFHxS	PFOA
License Limit		-	-	1	0.7	6.6	20	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.07	0.07	0.055	0.16	0.26	0.06	0.02	0.05	0.02
Unit		mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	NTU	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	µg/L	µg/L	µg/L
Week 1	7/07/2025	-	-	<0.5	-	-	0.1	<0.02	<0.05	<0.1	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 2	14/07/2025	-	-	<0.5	-	-	0.2	<0.02	<0.05	<0.1	<0.1	<0.001	<0.01	<0.001	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 3	21/07/2025	-	-	<0.5	-	-	0.6	<0.02	<0.05	<0.1	<0.1	<0.001	<0.01	<0.001	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 4	28/07/2025	-	-	0.02	-	-	4.2	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 5	4/08/2025	-	-	0.02	-	-	0.4	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 6	11/08/2025	-	-	<0.5	-	-	0.5	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 7	18/08/2025	-	-	<0.5	-	-	0.3	<0.05	<0.05	<0.1	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 8 – Week 20	22/08/2025 – 24/11/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**																		
Week 21	26/11/2025	-	-	0.03	-	-	1.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 22	3/12/2025	-	-	0.03	-	-	1.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 23	10/12/2025	-	-	0.03	-	-	1.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 24	17/12/2025	-	-	0.03	-	-	1.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 25	24/12/2025	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**																		
Week 26	31/12/2025																			
Week 27	7/01/2025																			
Week 28	14/01/2026	-	-	0.03	-	-	0.2	0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 29	22/01/2026	-	-	<0.01	-	-	0.2	0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.004	0.001
Week 30	29/01/2026	-	-	0.04	-	-	1.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.004	0.008	<0.001
Week 31	5/02/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**																		
Week 32	12/02/2026																			
Week 33	18/02/2026	-	-	0.22	-	-	5.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.010	0.015	0.001
Week 34	25/02/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**																		
Week 35	4/03/2026																			
Week 36	12/03/2026	-	-	0.04	-	-	0.4	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 37	22/03/2026	-	-	0.02	-	-	0.5	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001
Week 38	24/03/2026	-	-	0.06	-	-	0.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Week 39	31/03/2026	-	-	<0.01	-	-	0.3	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.003	<0.001
Week 40 – Week 49	5/04/2026 – 17/06/2026	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)**																		
Week 50	18/06/2026	<0.005	0.005	0.04	<0.0001	<0.001	0.1	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.002	<0.001
Week 51	23/06/2026	<0.005	<0.005	0.02	<0.0001	<0.001	0.3	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

NB Week 52 sampled on 1 July 2026 – will be reported in FY2027 AER.

- Indicates measurements which were not undertaken. These are discussed to in the AACR section under Condition 32(b).

Table 2-26 Licence Table 6: Wastewater and washwater discharge monitoring (L6, L8, and L9 Fortnightly)

Parameter				Electrical Conductivity	pH	Total titratable acidity	Total alkalinity	Dissolved oxygen	Total Iron	Redox potential	Turbidity	TRH C6-C10 fraction minus BTEX	TRH >C10-C16 fraction minus naphthalene	TRH >C16-C34 fraction
Units				µS/cm	-	mg/L	mg/L	ppm	mg/L	mV	NTU	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
Fortnight 1 (14 days)	L6	Date	3/07/2025	24,744	8.02	11	460	6.3	-	87.5	2.3	<0.001	<0.05	<0.1
	L8	Date	3/07/2025	7,335	8.45	<5.0	490	8.16	-	72.4	4.6	<0.001	<0.05	<0.1
	L9	Date	3/07/2025	29,404	7.94	19	110	5.7	-	81.9	1.6	<0.01	<0.05	0.11
Fortnight 2 (14 days)	L6	Date	17/07/2025	15,089	7.57	45	720	82.2	-	83.8	1.2	<0.001	<0.05	<0.1
	L8	Date	17/07/2025	6,467	8.11	<5.0	530	42.1	-	28.7	3.6	<0.001	<0.05	<0.1
	L9	Date	17/07/2025	108,365	7.39	32	110	83.2	-	156.9	33	<0.01	<0.05	0.11
Fortnight 3 (14 days)	L6	Date	31/07/2025	-	-	25	690	-	-	-	0.96	<0.01	<0.05	<0.1
	L8	Date	31/07/2025	-	-	<5.0	560	-	-	-	3.9	<0.01	<0.05	<0.1
	L9	Date	31/07/2025	-	-	37	120	-	-	-	1.5	<0.01	<0.05	0.14
Fortnight 4 (14 days)	L6	Date	14/08/2025	19,914	8.15	<5.0	370	107	-	97.6	2.5	<0.01	<50	<0.1
	L8	Date	14/08/2025	6,969	8.4	9.2	530	132.2	-	86.3	10	<0.01	<50	<0.1
	L9	Date	14/08/2025	70,876	7.85	29	120	135.2	-	96.6	3.6	<0.01	<50	<0.1
Fortnight 5 - 11	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**													
Fortnight 12	L6	Date	3/12/2025	1,200	8.5	<5	180	-	-	-	2.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L8	Date	3/12/2025	NO SAMPLE TAKEN (LOW WATER LEVEL)										
	L9	Date	3/12/2025											
Fortnight 13 - 15	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)**													
Fortnight 16	L6	Date	22/01/2026	8,300	8.4	<5	210	-	-	-	2.1	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L8	Date	22/01/2026	8,400	8.5	<5	220	-	-	-	1.2	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L9	Date	22/01/2026	58,000	8.2	6.0	140	-	-	-	0.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
Fortnight 17 (20 Days)	L6	Date	11/02/2026	4,700	8.6	<5	160	-	-	-	11	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L8	Date	11/02/2026	5,600	8.5	<5	130	-	-	-	9.3	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L9	Date	11/02/2026	100,000	8.2	5.8	130	-	-	-	3.9	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
Fortnight 18 (21 Days)	L6	Date	4/03/2026	6,800	8.2	<5	250	-	-	-	0.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L8	Date	4/03/2026	6,800	9.1	<5	170	-	-	-	0.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L9	Date	4/03/2026	91,000	8.6	<5	150	-	-	-	1.0	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
Fortnight 19 (18/20 Days)	L6	Date	22/03/2026	NO SAMPLE TAKEN (LOW WATER LEVEL)										
	L8	Date	22/03/2026	15,000	8.6	<5	410	-	-	-	2.2	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L9	Date	24/03/2026	81,000	8.3	5.5	140	-	-	-	3.3	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
Fortnight 20 - 25	**WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)**													
Fortnight 26	L6	Date	18/06/2026	30,000	8.2	<5	130	8.4	460	0.49	3.8	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L8	Date	18/06/2026	2,900	9.0	<5	170	8.3	420	0.13	1.7	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05
	L9	Date	18/06/2026	90,000	7.9	19	120	8.3	490	0.21	2.3	<0.02	<0.02	<0.05

- Indicates measurements which were not undertaken. These are discussed to in the AACR section under Condition 32(b).

Table 2-26 Licence Table 6: Wastewater and washwater discharge monitoring (L6, L8, and L9 Fortnightly – Continued)

Parameter				TRH >C34-C40 fraction	Benzene	Naphthalene	Chlorobenzene	1,2-dichlorobenzene	1,3-dichlorobenzene	1,4-dichlorobenzene	PFOS	PFOS + PFHxS	PFOA
Units				mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	µg/L	µg/L	µg/L
Fortnight 1 (14 days)	L6	Date	3/07/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	0.00050	0.00084	<0.00020
	L8	Date	3/07/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	0.0046	0.013	0.0026
	L9	Date	3/07/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	0.0017	0.013	0.0017
Fortnight 2 (14 days)	L6	Date	17/07/2025	<0.1	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.00027	0.00056	0.00027
	L8	Date	17/07/2025	<0.1	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050	0.0079	0.017	0.011
	L9	Date	17/07/2025	<0.1	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	<0.010	0.0015	0.011	0.0028
Fortnight 3 (14 days)	L6	Date	31/07/2025	<0.1	<0.010	<0.0010	<0.010	<0.020	<0.020	<0.020	0.00074	0.00096	<0.00020
	L8	Date	31/07/2025	<0.1	<0.010	<0.0010	<0.010	<0.020	<0.020	<0.020	0.009	0.017	0.0031
	L9	Date	31/07/2025	<0.1	<0.010	<0.0010	<0.010	<0.020	<0.020	<0.020	0.00075	0.0085	0.00086
Fortnight 4 (14 days)	L6	Date	14/08/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.00082	0.0017	0.00033
	L8	Date	14/08/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.006	0.016	0.0033
	L9	Date	14/08/2025	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.0039	0.027	0.0031
Fortnight 5 - 11	L6	Date	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)										
	L8	Date											
	L9	Date											
Fortnight 12	L6	Date	3/12/2025	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.013	0.014	<0.001
	L8	Date	3/12/2025	NO SAMPLE TAKEN (LOW WATER LEVEL)									
	L9	Date	3/12/2025										
Fortnight 13 - 15	L6	Date	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (SHUTDOWN)										
	L8	Date											
	L9	Date											
Fortnight 16	L6	Date	22/01/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.001	0.001	<0.001
	L8	Date	22/01/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.001	0.001	<0.001
	L9	Date	22/01/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.001	0.001	0.001
Fortnight 17 (20 Days)	L6	Date	11/02/2026	<0.05	<1	-	-	-	-	-	0.025	0.036	0.003
	L8	Date	11/02/2026	<0.05	<1	-	-	-	-	-	0.059	0.07	0.003
	L9	Date	11/02/2026	<0.05	<1	-	-	-	-	-	0.069	0.088	0.007
Fortnight 18 (21 Days)	L6	Date	4/03/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.087	0.108	0.006
	L8	Date	4/03/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.007	0.026	0.004
	L9	Date	4/03/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.007	0.019	0.002
Fortnight 19 (18/20 Days)	L6	Date	22/03/2026	NO SAMPLE TAKEN (LOW WATER LEVEL)									
	L8	Date	22/03/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.086	0.131	0.011
	L9	Date	24/03/2026	<0.05	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.013	0.021	0.002
Fortnight 20 - 25	L6	Date	WTP NON-OPERATIONAL (PLANT UPGRADES)										
	L8	Date											
	L9	Date											
Fortnight 26	L6	Date	18/06/2026	<0.05	<1	<0.001	<1	<1	<1	<1	0.002	0.003	<0.001
	L8	Date	18/06/2026	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.004	0.008	<0.001
	L9	Date	18/06/2026	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.007	0.027	0.003

- Indicates measurements which were not undertaken. These are discussed to in the AACR section under Condition 32(b)

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Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L4513/1969/18	Licence file number:	DER2013/001083
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Yes – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒ No – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	76.39 Mt
54 – Sewage facility	0.128 m^3 average per day 46.57 m^3 in reporting period
58 – Bulk material loading or unloading	288.73 Mt
61 – Liquid waste facility	5,873.2 t
62 – Solid waste depot	54,177 t
73 – Bulk storage of chemicals etc.	63,316.8 m^3-in aggregate

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
NA	NA

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	15 September 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
A rail workshop at Nelson Point (LOHS) was identified as disposing of coolant into the oily water holding tank. This tank is routinely emptied by an on-site licensed contractor and transported to the Nelson Point oily water treatment plant for processing. The treatment plant is designed to treat hydrocarbons only, and treated water is tested solely for hydrocarbon concentrations prior to discharge to the freshwater recovery system. As a result, coolant was unlikely to have been treated or analysed prior to discharge.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Following identification of the non-compliance, multiple rounds of sampling were undertaken on treated oily water, freshwater recovery systems, and Lagoon 1. The sampling suite included a broad range of analytes, including (but not limited to) TRH, PFAS, glycols, metals, nutrients, and SVOCs. The results indicated negligible environmental impact, with no significant contamination detected.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The non-compliance is attributed to waste management practices that are not aligned with current environmental standards.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Once the issue was identified, a problem-solving workshop involving rail, environment, and site infrastructure personnel was conducted to determine appropriate interim containment measures and long-term solutions. Immediate actions included ceasing disposal of the affected oily water to the treatment plant. Waste was instead transported off-site to a licensed facility. An interim coolant containment and recycling system (2,000 L portable tank) was installed in January 2026. The workshop team is continuing to assess and implement a permanent, long-term solution.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: N/A	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: N/A	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

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Condition no:	1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	6 October 2025

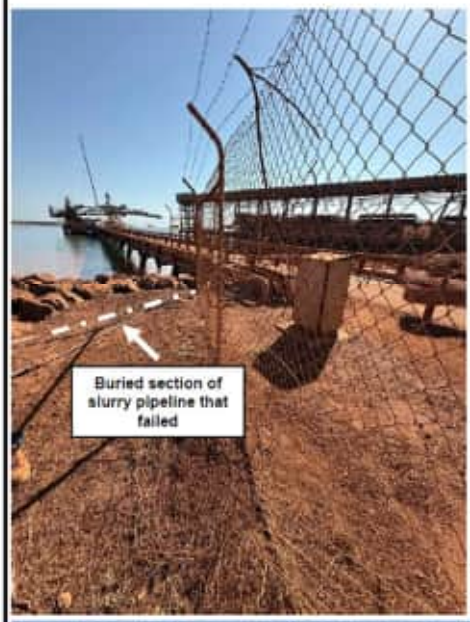
Details of non-compliance:

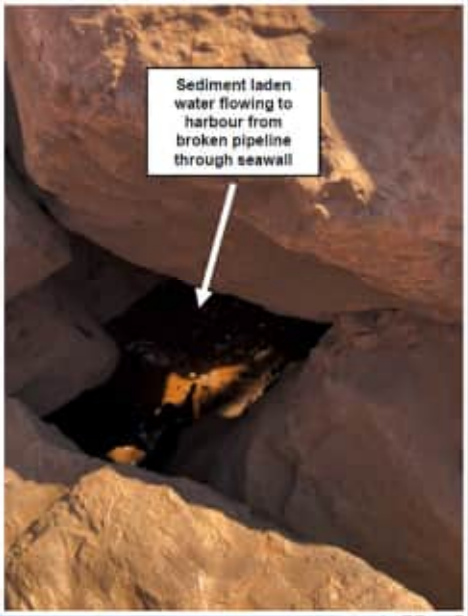
A failure was observed in a buried slurry water pump hose located at C Berth, Finucane Island. The rupture resulted in intermittent discharge of approximately 8,400 litres of sediment laden water into the harbour.

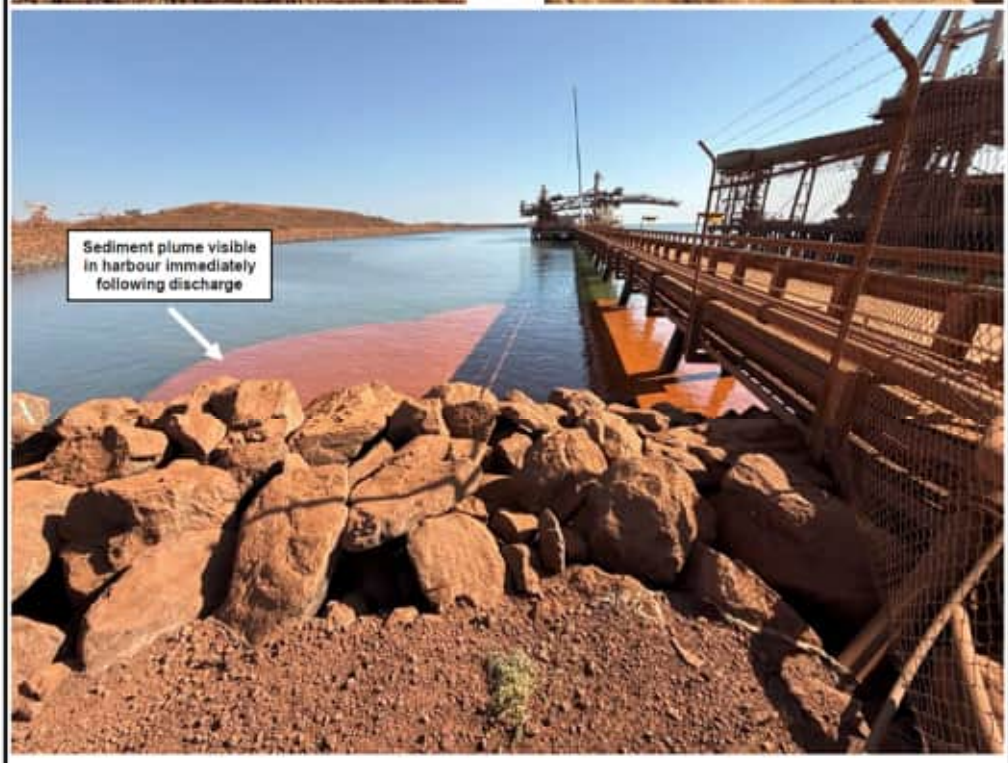


Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Attachment 2: Images showing location of slurry pipeline and sediment laden water entering harbour







What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

BHP estimates the impact from the sediment-laden water to be minimal as the 6-metre tide dissipated the sediment plume relatively quickly, which will have minimised long-term turbidity and sedimentation impacts.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Pump hose failure leading to unplanned discharge of sediment-laden water into the harbour.

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Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Immediately upon detection of the pump hose failure, the impacted process water circuit was isolated to prevent further discharge. As a countermeasure, and to prevent reoccurrence, the damaged pipe was replaced and installed above ground, to allow for earlier detection of failure and easier ongoing maintenance.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: N/A
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: N/A

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	15	Date(s) of non-compliance:	27 May 2026

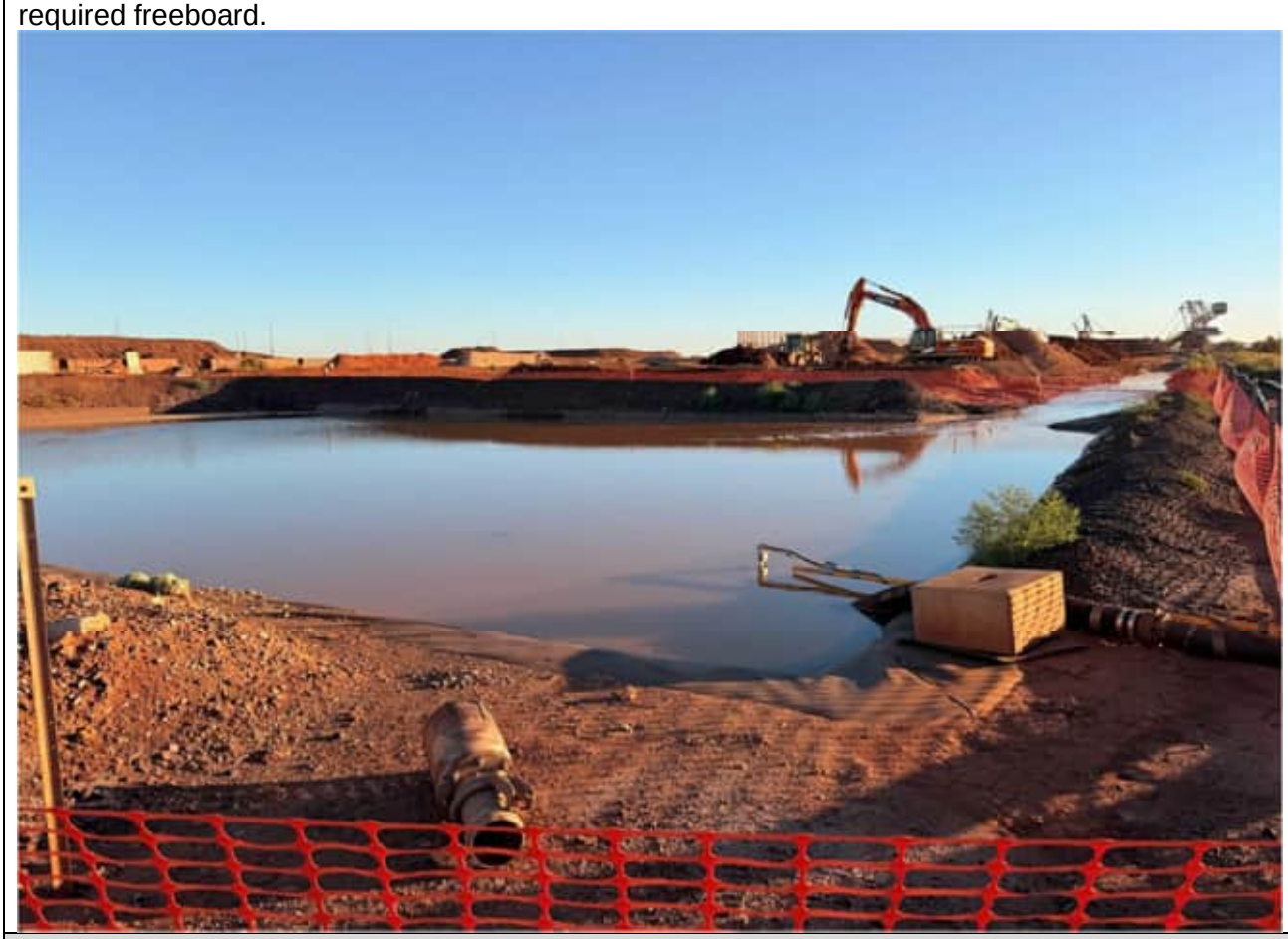
Details of non-compliance:

BHP has an obligation to ensure equipment specified in Table 14 is maintained in good working order. On 27 May 2026 during a routine inspection, it was identified that the Nelson Point Contaminated Soil Handling Area (CSHA) runoff collection pond (the "pond") was nearing full capacity due to silting and recent rainfall and did not have the required 500 mm freeboard to prevent overflowing during future rainfall events.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact. The pond did not physically overflow; however, the control measures outlined in Table 14 were inadequate to maintain the required freeboard.



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

There were elevated levels of silt within the pond associated with the temporary management of slurry from the CD6 pilings work. This reduced the ponds effective storage capacity and prevented the pump from operating in automatic mode.

Following a period of heavy rains, stormwater ingress filled the pond water levels above the 500 mm freeboard and could not be reduced via pumping due to the silt.

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A backup pump was available on site but had not been installed at the location.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
• The process to manage CD6 piling waste has changed to significantly decrease future silt loading in the CSHA run-off pond. The silt within the pond was removed on 23 August 2026. • Higher earthen bund walls have been constructed around the pond to prevent excess stormwater ingress from areas outside the immediate CSHA footprint. • A back-up pump has been installed and is readily available to maintain continuity should the primary pump fail.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: N/A
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: N/A

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	16	Date(s) of non-compliance:	July 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
For July 2025, BHP did not maintain an Average Monthly Availability of 90% or more for fogging units, with a calculated availability of 86.85%.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact. Throughout FY2026, the Licence Holder achieved a moisture content above Dust Extinction Moisture (DEM) for 90% for all ore in-loaded and all ore out-loaded at the premises.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Through an internal investigation, BHP determined the cause of the non-availability was due to air compressor reliability and performance. The primary and back up air compressors failed. An interim compressor was requested from the vendor while both compressors were undergoing maintenance, however, the one provided was not fit for purpose (under capacity).			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP undertook a thorough investigation into the air compressor complications, and identified the following opportunities to improve compressor reliability: - Operational logic changes to improve compressor utilisation; - Creation of a breakdown trigger action response plan to ensure standby / temporary equipment can operate; - Review of equipment sizing to ensure sufficiently sized to supply plant air demand; - Funding request for new backup compressor. Remediation actions were taken and no further non-compliances with Average Monthly Availability percentages were recorded for the reporting period.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: N/A	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 31 October 2025	

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	32(b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 32(b) of L4513/1969/18 states that samples must be taken and analysed for the parameters specified in Column 2 of Table 6. Individual parameters for L7 (daily) were missed on 48 occasions, and L6, L8 & L9 (fortnightly) on 6 occasions (see Tables 2-1 and 2-3 above).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact. No threshold exceedances were reported from the samples that were taken on either side of the missed parameters.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
In FY2026, under the CD6 contamination remediation scope of works, all environmental monitoring was undertaken by an external environmental consultant engaged by the contractor responsible for the management and operation of the Water Treatment Plant (WTP). Upon completion of the remediation scope, the WTP was intended to be placed into a non-operational state until the commencement of the next operational period in 2026. In August 2025, the consultant concluded their scope of works and demobilised from site. The WTP continued to operate intermittently on an ad-hoc basis to support dewatering activities associated with enabling works, and responsibility for all environmental monitoring subsequently reverted to the operational team. However, the transfer of monitoring responsibilities and licence requirements were not adequately communicated or formally documented by the overarching contractor managing the CD6 project on behalf of BHP.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The WTP operational contractor has revised the Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) to ensure alignment of monitoring responsibilities, frequencies, and parameters with licence conditions. The updated OEMP includes a formal monitoring schedule/calendar linked to the existing monitoring datasheet, which will be provided to relevant governance stakeholders on a weekly basis. A dedicated site operations engineer has been assigned by the contractor to oversee compliance of WTP operations, including environmental monitoring and data collection in accordance with licence requirements and the updated OEMP. In addition, the escalation procedure has been revised to ensure that any missing monitoring data is recorded within the BHP event management system, enabling timely identification, tracking, and rectification of issues.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: N/A		
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: N/A		

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	32(b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 32(b) of L4513/1969/18 states that samples must be taken and analysed for the parameters specified in Column 2 of Table 6. Parameters added to Table 6 during the licence amendment dated 21 July 2025 were not added to the contractors sampling schedule and missed entirely for the whole of FY26 (see Tables 2-2 and 2-3 above): • L7 (weekly) – 19 occasions missed • Metals – Al, As, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Mn, Fe, Ni, Se and Zn (total and dissolved) • Mercury (Hg) • Lead (Pb) • L6, L8 and L9 (fortnightly) – 9 occasions missed • Total iron			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Due to the absence of data for the missing parameters, the actual environmental impact of the non-compliance cannot be determined. Based on the available monitoring results, which did not identify any exceedances for the parameters that were sampled, the risk of an adverse environmental impact is considered low.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The additional parameters incorporated into Table 6 were associated with the inclusion of the bulk dewatering system to assess potential groundwater impacts. During the transition between licence versions and managing contractors, these parameters were incorrectly interpreted as only being required once bulk dewatering activities commenced, due to their introduction within the amendment.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The WTP operational contractor has revised the OEMP to ensure alignment of monitoring responsibilities, frequencies, and parameters with licence conditions. The updated OEMP includes a formal monitoring schedule/calendar linked to the existing monitoring datasheet, which will be provided to relevant governance stakeholders on a weekly basis. A dedicated site operations engineer has been assigned by the contractor to oversee compliance of WTP operations, including environmental monitoring and data collection in accordance with licence requirements and the updated OEMP. In addition, the escalation procedure has been revised to ensure that any missing monitoring data is recorded within the BHP event management system, enabling timely identification, tracking, and rectification of issues.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: N/A	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: N/A	

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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	32(d)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	January to March 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 32(d) of L4513/1969/18 states that samples must be taken and analysed at the frequency specified in Column 5 of Table 6. Samples for L6, L8 and L9 (fortnightly) between 22 January to 24 March 2026 (3 separate occasions – see Table 2-3 above) did not adhere to the Note 5 frequency requirement in Column 5: "*no less than 7 days and no more than 14 days between the days on which samples are taken in successive fortnights*".			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact. No threshold exceedances were reported from the samples that were taken, although they were taken outside of the specified fortnightly period.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
In FY2026, under the CD6 contamination remediation scope of works, all environmental monitoring was undertaken by an external environmental consultant engaged by the contractor responsible for the management and operation of the Water Treatment Plant (WTP). Upon completion of the remediation scope, the WTP was intended to be placed into a non-operational state until the commencement of the next operational period in 2026. In August 2025, the consultant concluded their scope of works and demobilised from site. The WTP continued to operate intermittently on an ad-hoc basis to support dewatering activities associated with enabling works, and responsibility for all environmental monitoring subsequently reverted to the operational team. However, the transfer of monitoring responsibilities and licence requirements were not adequately communicated or formally documented by the overarching contractor managing the CD6 project on behalf of BHP.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The WTP operational contractor has revised the OEMP to ensure alignment of monitoring responsibilities, frequencies, and parameters with licence conditions. The updated OEMP includes a formal monitoring schedule/calendar linked to the existing monitoring datasheet, which will be provided to relevant governance stakeholders on a weekly basis. A dedicated site operations engineer has been assigned by the contractor to oversee compliance of WTP operations, including environmental monitoring and data collection in accordance with licence requirements and the updated OEMP. In addition, the escalation procedure has been revised to ensure that any missing monitoring data is recorded within the BHP event management system, enabling timely identification, tracking, and rectification of issues.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: N/A	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: N/A	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

[1] It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.
[2] AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

2.4 L5415/1988/9

Licence L5415/1988/9 covers mining and processing activities for Jimblebar operations comprising Wheelarra, Hashimoto, Orebody 18 and Orebody 31 mines. The licence commenced on 17 November 2015 and has a current expiry of 16 November 2030.

The licence was amended on the 3 November 2025, to account for updates to the Caramulla Managed Aquifer Scheme, update the Rising Stage Sampler locations and update construction requirements for new oily water separators ponds and Bioremediation facilities.

The following sections provide the data for requirements of L5415/1988/9.

Condition 39: Annual Environmental Report

Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the annual period and any action taken.

During the FY2026 reporting period, four non-compliances with licence conditions have been reported at the Licence Premises:

- During the FY2026 reporting period, the Licence Point L1 South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001) overtopped due to a faulty float valve, constituting a non-compliance associated with the failure of pollution control equipment. The overtopped water was discharged within operational areas and did not impact any known environmental receptors. Water quality is routinely monitored through monthly Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon (TRH) sampling, with results remaining below licence limits. Given the quality of discharged water, its containment within operational areas, and the absence of exposure to sensitive receptors, the environmental impact associated with the non-compliance is considered low.
- As reported in the FY2023 reporting period, the Jimblebar Bioremediation facility was identified as non-compliant with an administrative licence requirement relating to the installation of a high-density polyethylene (HDPE) liner. A subsequent investigation confirmed that the facility was constructed with a Geosynthetic Clay Liner (GCL) and achieved a permeability of ≤ 3×10^{-11} m/s, exceeding the permeability requirements of the facility. To align the licence conditions with the intended environmental outcome, L5415/1988/9 was amended on 3 November 2025, replacing the specific HDPE liner with a performance-based requirement of less than 10^{-9} m/s. As the existing GCL-lined facility meets this permeability requirement, the facility is considered compliant with the amended licence conditions.
- During FY2026, the Category 12 limit for screening of non-ore material was exceeded by 198,679 tonnes due to additional screening activities associated with the Jimblebar East Expansion and South Jimblebar Flood Bund Projects. The screening was conducted within existing the operational footprint, and dust suppression and mitigation controls were implemented throughout the projects. As a result, the environmental risk associated with this exceedance was assessed as low.
- During the FY2026 reporting period, SJTN001 received reverse osmosis (RO) reject water from Warrawandu RO plant. Currently, under L5415/1988/9 the discharge point, SJTN001 is not licenced to receive RO reject water from Warrawandu. The reject water is mixed with raw water from mine dewatering and contained within SJTN001, with no uncontrolled release the environment. There are no known sensitive environmental receptors in close proximity to the turkey's nest, so the environmental risk is considered low. To further understand the water quality associated with this water source, increased sampling and monitoring is planned for FY2027.

Non-compliances with licence conditions are further discussed in the Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) inserted at the end of this section.

Table 1 Waste Acceptance

No waste was disposed of at the Orebody 18 putrescible landfill during the FY2026 reporting period, as this landfill was not used. Approximately 1,537 tonnes of Inert Waste Type 2 (tyres) were disposed of within the Jimblebar Prescribed Premise during the FY2026 reporting period, with no putrescible waste disposed on the licenced premise during the FY2026 reporting period.

Treated sewage is discharged to lined evaporation ponds as per Table 4 of L5415/1988/9.

Table 2 - Location of tyre disposal sites and number of tyres disposed at each site during the annual period

A total of 743 heavy vehicle tyres and 1,702 light vehicle tyres were disposed during the FY2026 reporting period, all located within the prescribed premises at the AV05 Overburden Stockpile Area (OSA).

Table 5 - Production or design capacity data and limit exceedances

During the FY2026 reporting period, the licence limit for screening (Category 12) was exceeded by 198,679 tonnes, with a total throughput of 698,679 tonnes (see AACR). Bulk storage of chemicals (Category 73) increased by ~1500 m^3 due to requirements of the Jimblebar East Expansion project. No other licence category capacities for Jimblebar exceeded the approved premises production or design capacities (refer to Table 2 and Table 5) during the reporting period.

Table 2-27 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2026 actual production

Category	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity limit		FY2026 actual production	
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	92,000,000 tonnes per annum		66,584,128 tonnes*	
6	Mine Dewatering	**Total** 47.225 GL/a	23.36 GL/a reinjected (OB18, Jimblebar and Caramulla MAR)	8.208 GL	**Total** 23.426 GL
			35.04 GL/a discharged to Copper Creek, tributary of Jimblebar Creek and Caramulla Creek	3.260 GL	
			32.625 GL/a to Ophthalmia Dam	15.866 GL	
12	Screening	500,000 tonnes per year		698,679 tonnes	
54	Sewage facility	120 m^3/d		37.01 m^3/d	
64	Class II putrescible landfill site	25,000 tpa		1,537.06 tonnes	
73	Bulk storage of chemicals, etc.	5,000 m^3 in aggregate		4,441m^3 in aggregate	

* Note that Orebody 18 production (part of the Newman Joint Venture) was 10,996,320 tonnes for the FY2026 reporting period

Table 8 - Volume of water discharged via each emission point

Table 2-28 Total volume of water discharged from surface water emission points

Emission Point	Total volume (kL) discharged during FY2026
FJB0004	0
FJB0008	0
FNJV0150 – Orebody 31 Creek Discharge	795,630
FJB0017 – Caramulla Creek Discharge Point	376,667.5
FJB0018 – Caramulla Creek Discharge Point	2,088,004.5

Table 9 - Volume of water reinjected via each emission point

In the FY2026 reporting period, ten reinjection bores were licenced within the Ninga MAR scheme (HEOP0843P, HEOP0845P and HEOP0847P) and the Caramulla MAR scheme (HCM0026P, HCM0027P and HCM0028P, HCM0149P, HCM0150P, HCM0151P, HCM0159P). Four new licensed bores were installed and commissioned in May 2026, (HCM0149P, HCM0150P, HCM0151P, HCM0159P), with construction details provided to DWER in the MAR Environmental Compliance Report submitted on the 11 May 2026.

Table 2-29 Cumulative volume and flow rates reinjected in Orebody 18 MAR schemes

	Orebody 18 (Ninga) Reinjection Bores					
	HEOP0847P		HEOP0843P		HEOP0845P	
Sample Date	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)
Jul-25	61,795.4	24.4	16,271.6	7.2	74,053.8	27.1
Aug-25	60,201.1	24.5	17,088.5	8.7	51,128.4	8.2
Sep-25	46,270.9	24.1	13,688,5	6.2	55,093.6	33.5
Oct-25	46,639.0	0.0*	4,780.0	5.6	35,750.0	35.9
Nov-25	43,053.9	18.8	14,420.3	6.	37,697.4	7.2
Dec-25	48,957.5	17.9	15,754.9	7.2	40,713.7	0.0*
Jan-26	51,379.7	19.7	16,938.8	4.6	47,693.9	25.8
Feb-26	48,853.3	20.0	13,240.0	6.2	39,310.0	6.9
Mar-26	54,093.2	20.1	14,522.0	6.1	42,753.0	9.2
Apr-26	51,260.1	20.6	13,860.3	6.1	42,107.7	20.1
May-26	50,541.4	18.9	15,271.7	6.5	54,032.3	17.5
Jun-26	49,201.0	20.4	12,817.0	6.1	53,143.0	25.1
Total (kL)	612,246.4		168,653.6		573,476.8	
Cumulative Volume (kL)	**1,354,376.8**					

* Flow rate is recorded as a point in time. For records without a flow rate, no flow was occurring at the time of measurement.

Table 2-30 Cumulative volume and flow rates reinjected in Caramulla MAR schemes

	Caramulla Reinjection Bores					
	HCM0026P		HCM0027P		HCM0028P	
Sample Date	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)
Jul-25	212,380.6	70.5	29,206.7	11.3	274,327.3	99.3
Aug-25	243,843.7	100.0	29,966.7	11.4	372,319.1	128.2
Sep-25	240,618.6	103.0	26,499.5	11.7	345,081.0	150.0
Oct-25	272,592.7	103.5	30,166.1	11.7	392,950.6	150.9
Nov-25	182,893.5	105.8	24,792.9	11.0	255,129.9	151.2
Dec-25	190,038.0	79.5	26,317.0	11.6	252,859.1	90.2
Jan-26	177,339.8	80.6	26,494.4	10.4	279,264.0	101.2
Feb-26	147,160.7	76.2	23,757.8	11.2	227,094.2	101.4
Mar-26	197,895.8	95.8	25,734.5	0.0*	250,351.5	101.6
Apr-26	246,186.0	0.0*	22,945.0	0.0*	294,035.0	0.0*

	Caramulla Reinjection Bores					
	HCM0026P		HCM0027P		HCM0028P	
Sample Date	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)
May-26	169,332.0	0.0*	23,553.0	0.0*	229,547.0	0.0*
Jun-26	133,169.3	0.0*	12,155.0	0.0*	132,377.7	0.0*
Total (kL)	2,413,450.7		301,588.7		3,305,336.6	
Cumulative Volume (kL)	**6,020,376.0**					

* Flow rate is recorded as a point in time. For records without a flow rate, no flow was occurring at the time of measurement.

Table 2-30 Cumulative volume and flow rates reinjected in Caramulla MAR schemes (continued)**

	Caramulla Reinjection Bores							
	HCM0149P		HCM0150P		HCM0151P		HCM0159P	
Sample Date	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s
May-26	112,388.0	41.9	122,454	45.7	92,073	34.4	46,610	17.4
Jun-26	100,485.0	38.6	161,760	62.4	138,094	53.2	58,697	22.6
Total (kL)	212,873.0		284,214.0		230,167.0		105,307.0	
Cumulative Volume (kL)	**832,561.0**							

* Flow rate is recorded as a point in time. For records without a flow rate, no flow was occurring at the time of measurement.
** HCM0149P, HCM0150P, HCM151P and HCM0159P weren't operational until May 2026.

Table 11 and Table 17 – Limit exceedances along with a summary on the corrective actions for any exceedances of these limits

Water was discharged to the environment from the L1 (SJTN001) and L2 emission points (JMSWRW001) during FY2026. No exceedances of the TRH limit were recorded during the FY2026 reporting period (see Table 2-45).

Table 12 - Surface water emission monitoring results and a comparison of results against established trigger values. Details of investigation conducted, including outcomes, environmental impacts and remedial actions, in relation to trigger exceedances and a discussion of any trends identified

The licence requires a measurement of flow rate and cumulative volume monthly when discharging from South Jimblebar (FJB0004 and FJB0008), Orebody 31 (FNJV0150) and Caramulla Creek Discharge Point (FJB0017 and FJB0018). The frequency for flow rate and cumulative volume is quarterly when discharging from the Ophthalmia Dam discharge point (FNPI0002). Discharge volumes for the FY2026 reporting period are summarised in Table 2-31 and Table 2-32. These discharge volumes are within the approved licence capacity.

Table 2-31 Flow Rate and Cumulative Volumes of South Jimblebar and Orebody 31 Creek Discharge Points

Sample Date	South Jimblebar				Orebody 31	
	FJB0004		FJB0008		FNJV0150	
	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)
Jul-25	NA	0.0	NA	0.0	0.4	0.0
Aug-25		0.0		0.0	0.3	0.0
Sep-25		0.0		0.0	1.8	0.0
Oct-25		0.0		0.0	4,720.7	336,278.0
Nov-25		0.0		0.0	1,732.2	127,000.0
Dec-25		0.0		0.0	191.6	17,988.0
Jan-26		0.0		0.0	5.7	2060.0
Feb-26		0.0		0.0	5.2	3.0
Mar-26		0.0		0.0	5.0	0.0
Apr-26		0.0		0.0	3.7	0.0
May-26		0.0		0.0	3,456.5	264,825
Jun-26		0.0		0.0	1,334.3	47,476
Total (kL)	0.0		0.0		**795,630.0**	
Cumulative Volume (kL)	**0.0**					

* Flow rate is recorded as a point in time. For records without a flow rate, no flow was occurring at the time of measurement.

Table 2-32 Flow Rate and Cumulative Volume for Caramulla Creek and Ophthalmia Dam Discharge Point

Sample Date	Caramulla Creek				Ophthalmia Dam	
	FJB0017		FJB0018*		FNPI0002	
	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Quarterly Volume (kL)
Jul-25	0.0**	141.0	3,017.9	246213	1,770	4,511,136.3
Aug-25	0.0**	0.0	0.0**	0.0**		
Sep-25	0.0**	0.0	0.0**	0.0**		
Oct-25	0.0**	0.0	0.0**	0.0**	1,390.0	3,782,483.6
Nov-25	0.0**	49.0	2,302.3	129,224.0		
Dec-25	0.0**	2000	3,191.6	273,738.0		
Jan-26	8.1	374.0	4,353.3	256,754.0	1,380.0	3,677,778.0

Sample Date	Caramulla Creek				Ophthalmia Dam	
	FJB0017		FJB0018*		FNPI0002	
	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Monthly Volume (kL)	Flow Rate (L/s)	Quarterly Volume (kL)
Feb-26	169.1	8,572.0	3,721.4	207,908.0		
Mar-26	1,501.7	39,730.0	4,218.7	299,833.0		
Apr-26	585.4	10,001.0	5,293.1	413,589.0		
May-26	2,818.2	118,317.0	2,261.6	176,376.0	1,520.0	3,894,794.7
Jun-26	3,322.5	197483.5	668.7	84,369.5		
Total (kL)	376,667.5		2,088,004.5		**15,866,192.5**	
Cumulative Volume (kL)	**2,464,672.0**					

* FJB0018 is the secondary flow meter on the Caramulla Creek discharge pipeline, which was installed for maintenance purposes, , with the cumulative data representing Caramulla Creek discharge.

** Flow rate is recorded as a point in time. For records without a flow rate, no flow was occurring at the time of measurement.

The hydrochemistry of the water from the South Jimblebar (SJB0012), Orebody 31 (FNJV0150), Jimblebar Creek (FJB008), and Caramulla Surplus Water scheme (FJB0016) is analysed on a quarterly basis when discharging to surface water. A licence amendment approved on 17 November 2025 added the requirement for water quality monitoring from discharge point FJB008. Requirements to undertake discharge water quality monitoring were completed during the reporting period (Table 2-33 to Table 2-36). There were no target value exceedances during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-33 Hydrochemistry of Jimblebar Creek Discharge Point (SJB0012)

Parameter	Units	Target	Sample Date			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			NA	NA	NA	NA
pH	pH Units	6-9	No Discharge	No Discharge	No Discharge	No Discharge
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	3,000				
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	2,155				
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	2				
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03				
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7				
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42				
$CaCO_3$ (Alkalinity)	mg/L	560				
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.01				
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217				
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964				
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6				
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.1				
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6				
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	7				
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006				
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175				
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	3				
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002				
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02				
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04				
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	88				
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87				
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01				
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103				
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613				
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	517				
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10				

Table 2-34 Hydrochemistry of Jimblebar Creek Discharge Point (FJB0008)

Parameter	Units	Target	Sample Date			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			NA	NA	NA	NA
pH	pH Units	6-9	No Flow	No Flow	No Flow	No Flow
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	3,000				
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	2,155				
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	2				
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03				
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7				
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42				
$CaCO_3$ (Alkalinity)	mg/L	560				
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.01				
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217				
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964				
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6				
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.1				
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6				
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	7				
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006				
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175				
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	3				
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002				
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02				
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04				
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	88				
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87				
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01				
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103				
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613				
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	517				
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10				

Table 2-35 Hydrochemistry of Orebody 31 Discharge Point (FNJV0150)

Parameter	Units	Target	Sample Date			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			NA	13/11/2025	11/01/2026	21/05/2026
pH	pH Units	6-9	No Discharge	7.9	8	7.7
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	3,000		780	740	710
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	2,155		<5	<5	<5
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	2		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03		<0.00005	<0.0005	<0.0005
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7		0.23	0.37	0.22
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42		0.026	0.003	0.04
$CaCO_3$ (Alkalinity)	mg/L	560		270	270	270
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.01		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217		69	71	69
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964		200	210	200
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.1		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6		0.3	0.3	0.3
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	7		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006		0.002	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175		62	59	58
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	3		0.021	<0.001	0.01
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	88		0.65	0.67	0.35
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87		13	13	14
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103		17	17	16
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613		86	88	77
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	517		91	93	92
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10		0.003	0.003	<0.001

Table 2-36 Hydrochemistry of Caramulla Creek Discharge Point (FJB0016)

Parameter	Units	Target	Sample Date			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			26/07/2025	28/10/2025	27/01/2026	20/04/2025
pH	pH Units	6-9	7.5	7.8	7.6	8.2
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	3,000	810	850	840	850
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	2,155	<5	<5	<5	<5
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	2	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7	0.35	0.41	0.38	0.35
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42	0.013	0.014	0.015	.01
$CaCO_3$	mg/L	560	260	270	270	280
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.01	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217	54	55	57	55
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964	190	180	200	200
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.1	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	7	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.01
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175	53	56	57	55
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	3	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	88	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.8
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87	9.2	9.6	9.3	9.3
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103	15	15	15	16
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613	130	130	130	120
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	517	110	11	140	130
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

Table 13 – Point source emissions to groundwater monitoring results and a comparison of results against established trigger values. Details of investigations conducted, including outcomes, environmental impacts and remedial actions, in relation to trigger exceedances and a discussion of any trends identified.

As presented in Table 2-29 and Table 2-30, reinjection occurred at three bores in Orebody 18 and seven bores in Caramulla. Monthly water level data (Table 2-37) was recorded for reinjection bores as required by Condition 11.

The Ninga reinjection bores (HEOP0847P, HEOP0843P and HEOP0845P) remain on the license but monitoring requirements have been updated, where a quarterly hydrochemistry sample can be taken from FNPI0002 (Ophthalmia Dam discharge point) to represent the three reinjection bores hydrochemistry quarterly (Table 2-39).

Quarterly hydrochemistry for the seven Caramulla reinjection bores is taken from FJB0016 (Caramulla Creek discharge point) which is fed by the same water supply line (Table 2-36).

Readings exceed the target guidelines developed by Golder Associates for Orebody 18 (2014) and Jimblebar (2022), however when compared to results from previous years and previously identified triggers, the readings are within an acceptable limit. No increasing trends were identified in the analytes which exceeded the target guidelines.

Table 2-37 Ambient groundwater standing water level

Sample month	HEOP0835M	HEOP0826M	HEOP0829M
Jul-25	30.97	40.41	38.84
Aug-25	31.10	40.41	38.86
Sep-25	30.80	40.41	38.91
Oct-25	31.10	40.71	39.23
Nov-25	31.10	40.84	39.07
Dec-25	31.10	40.85	39.00
Jan-26	31.20	41.01	38.95
Feb-26	31.10	41.06	38.99
Mar-26	31.30	41.15	39.08
Apr-26	31.20	41.13	39.10
May-26	31.10	41.04	38.91
Jun-26	31.15	41.01	38.87

Table 2-38 Hydrochemistry of Caramulla Surplus Water scheme (FJB0016)

Parameter	Units	Target	Sample Date			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			26/07/2025	28/10/2025	27/01/2026	08/04/2026
pH	pH Units	6-9	7.5	7.8	7.6	7.5
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	3,000	810	850	840	850
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	2,155	<5	<5	<5	<5
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	2	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7	0.35	0.41	0.38	0.35
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01
$CaCO_3$ (Alkalinity)	mg/L	560	260	270	270	280
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.01	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217	54	55	57	55
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964	190	180	200	200
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.1	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	7	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.01
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175	53	56	57	55
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	3	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	88	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.8
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87	9.2	9.6	9.3	9.3
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103	15	15	15	16
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613	130	130	130	120
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	517	110	11	140	130
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

Table 2-39 Hydrochemistry of the Orebody 18 MAR scheme reinjection

	Units	Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Sample Point			FNPI0002	FNPI0002	FNPI0002	FNPI0002
Sample Date			23/08/2025	26/11/2025	22/02/2026	27/05/2026
EC (in field)	µS/cm	1,800	1400	1400	1400	1400
pH (in field)	pH Units	6.0 to 8.5	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	6.5	2.60	0.96	2.70	2.00
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.055	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.013	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
B (Boron)	mg/L	0.69	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.34
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.041	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
HCO3	mg/L	-	310	320	340	330
Alkalinity	mg/L	-	260	270	280	270
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0011	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	-	69	68	72	69
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	-	170	200	220	210
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	-	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	-	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.040	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	-	58	60	63	61
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	1.9	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.005
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.01	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.057	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
K (Potassium)	mg/L	-	12	12	13	12
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.011	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SiO2	mg/L	-	17	14	17	15
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	-	110	110	120	110
SO4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	-	120	110	120	120
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-	<5	<5	<5	<5
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	-	800	760	790	730
CaCO3	mg/L	-	410	420	440	420
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	0.070	0	0	0	0

Elevated concentrations above the target guidelines for the Ninga MAR scheme (Table 2-40) is summarised below:

- EC (HEOP0829M and HEOP835M)
- Boron (HEOP0829M)
- Barium (HEOP0826M and HEOP0829M)
- Molybdenum (HEOP835M, HEOP0826M and HEOP0829M)

Table 2-40 Hydrochemistry of point source emissions to groundwater (Orebody 18)

			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		
Sample Point	**Units**	**Target**	**HEOP0826M**	**HEOP0829M**	**HEOP0835M**	**HEOP0826M**	**HEOP0829M**	**HEOP0835M**	**HEOP0826M**	**HEOP0829M**	**HEOP0835M**	**HEOP0826M**	**HEOP0829M**	**HEOP0835M**
Sample Date			**24/08/2025**	**24/08/2025**	**23/08/2025**	**25/11/2025**	**26/11/2025**	**25/11/2025**	**22/02/2026**	**22/02/2026**	**22/02/2026**	**26/05/2026**	**26/05/2026**	**26/05/2026**
EC (in field)	µS/cm	1,450-2,450	1,700	3,000	4,500	1,600	3,100	4,200	1,700	3,100	4,100	1,100	3,200	4,200
pH (in field)	pH Units	6.0 to 8.5	7.0	7.5	6.9	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.5	8.4	7.5	7.5
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	19.4	2.00	2.00	<0.05	2.10	2.40	<0.05	2.20	3.00	<0.05	<0.05	3.20	<0.05
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.055	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.013	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
B (Boron)	mg/L	0.49	0.45	0.63	0.49	0.43	0.56	0.47	0.41	0.61	0.43	0.40	0.58	0.47
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.015	0.0050	0.0590	0.0032	0.0060	0.0470	0.0030	0.0060	0.0470	0.003	0.0200	0.0420	0.00220
HCO_3 (Bicarbonate Alkalinity)	mg/L	-	350	430	330	300	400	290	300	390	300	230	480	360
Alkalinity	mg/L	-	280	350	270	300	400	290	300	290	300	190	390	300
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	-	69	130	150	59	120	140	67	130	160	35	130	150
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	-	210	530	950	230	580	930	240	590	920	160	580	890
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	0.002	0.0015	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.0014	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	-	0.8	1.1	0.8	0.8	1	0.7	0.8	1	0.7	0.8	1	0.7
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.076	<0.005	<0.005	0.072	<0.005	<0.005	0.042	<0.005	<0.005	0.06
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.0034	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	-	57	110	150	54	110	130	58	120	140	41	120	130
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	1.9	0.001	0.49	0.89	<0.001	0.33	0.8	<0.001	0.081	0.9	<0.001	0.04	0.8
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.001	0.0023	0.0025	0.0014	0.0020	0.0030	0.0010	0.0030	0.0020	0.0010	0.0040	0.0024	0.0013
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.011	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
K (Potassium)	mg/L	-	14	20	33	12	18	30	14	20	33	10	19	31
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.0034	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	-	16	27	19	13	24	16	15	28	19	11	27	17
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	-	200	360	540	180	330	480	200	350	520	110	340	490
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	-	200	390	490	210	380	480	200	360	460	120	370	480
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-	6	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	8	5	5	7	<5	<5
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	-	1,000	1,900	2,700	980	1,900	2,600	970	1,900	2,600	600	1,800	2,500
$CaCO_3$	mg/L	-	280	350	270	370	780	910	410	810	970	260	790	920
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	0.012	0.002	0.001	0.006	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.002	<0.001	0.005	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

Table 14 – Emissions to land monitoring results

Licence points L2 to L6 are designated monitoring locations associated the with treated oily wastewater system. L3, L4, L5, L6 are not listed in Table 2-41 as these locations had not been commissioned during FY2026.

Licence point L2 (JMSWRW001) is unlined evaporation pond receives treated wastewater from the Wheelarra oily wastewater treatment pond. This does not constitute a direct emission to land, as the treated wastewater is first transferred to and managed within a lined evaporation pond prior to entering JMSWRW001.

Table 2-41 Emissions to land monitoring results

Sample Point	Sample Period	Analyte	TRH	pH	Cumulative Volume
		Units	mg/L	pH Units	kL
L2 – JMSWRW001 - Wheelarra Hill	Q1	23/09/2025	2.6	8.4	18,125.6
	Q2	17/12/2025	3.8	6.4	475.3
	Q3	17/03/2026	2.5	9.3	0
	Q4	14/06/2026	1.31	8.4	0
				Cumulative Total (kL)	**18,600.8**

Table 15 – Ambient groundwater monitoring results and a comparison of results against established trigger values. Details of investigations conducted, including outcomes, environmental impacts, and remedial actions, in relation to trigger exceedances and a discussion of any trends identified.

Monitoring of the monitoring bores for Caramulla and Orebody 18 reinjection program indicate that there has been no detectable change in the ambient groundwater level due to reinjection within the Orebody 18 and Caramulla MAR schemes (Table 2-42).

Table 2-42 Ambient groundwater standing water level

	Depth to groundwater (mbgl)							
Sample month	HMG0131M	HCM0043M	HCM0044M	HCM0045M	HCM0046M	HCM0047M	HCM0059M	HCM0019M
Jul-25	48.81	11.24	10.29	Dry	Dry	49.69	Dry	50.67
Aug-25	48.70	11.47	10.32	Dry	Dry	49.19	Dry	50.59
Sep-25	48.76	11.58	10.70	Dry	Dry	48.99	Dry	50.46
Oct-25	48.85	11.46	10.52	Dry	Dry	48.79	Dry	50.43
Nov-25	48.89	11.50	10.75	Dry	Dry	49.22	Dry	50.52
Dec-25	48.94	11.65	10.86	Dry	Dry	49.28	Dry	50.63
Jan-26	48.94	11.78	10.93	Dry	Dry	49.38	Dry	50.71
Feb-26	48.96	11.81	11.03	Dry	Dry	49.51	Dry	50.73
Mar-26	48.96	11.95	11.29	Dry	Dry	49.59	Dry	50.83
Apr-26	48.92	11.97	11.36	Dry	Dry	49.55	Dry	50.78
May-26	48.98	12.00	11.37	Dry	Dry	49.12	Dry	50.64
Jun-26	48.98	12.08	11.44	Dry	Dry	49.02	Dry	50.55

Bores HCM0045M, HCM0046M and HCM0059 are shallow installations (approximately 15 m depth) located in areas where perched groundwater is not present. Historical monitoring indicates that these bores have remained dry since installation and do not intersect a groundwater-bearing zone, therefore the dry conditions are considered representative of local hydrogeological conditions.

Monitoring of the monitoring bores at Caramulla and OB18 indicated there had been no increasing trends identified in the analytes which exceeded the target guidelines (Golder 2014; Golder 2022). Quality of water reinjected at Orebody 18 and Caramulla was generally within the required targets (Table 2-43). Ambient water quality records also showed elevated levels within the FY2026 reporting period for:

- EC (HMG0131M)
- NO3 (HCM0008M and HCM0017M)
- Barium (HMG0131M)
- Chromium (HCM0008M)

Last reporting period (FY2025), monitoring bores showed elevated concentrations above required targets for similar parameters and bores. The FY2025 ambient groundwater quality monitoring detected elevated levels for:

- EC (HMG0131M)
- NO3 (HCM0017M)
- Barium (HCM0008M and HMG0131M)
- Chromium (HCM0008M and HCM0017M)

Table 2-43 Monitoring ambient groundwater quality for Caramulla and OB18 reinjection programs

			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4		
Sample Date	Units	Target*	HCM0008M	HCM0017M	HMG0131M	HCM0008M	HCM0017M	HMG0131M	HCM0008M	HCM0017M	HMG0131M	HCM0008M	HCM0017M	HMG0131M
			16/07/2025	16/07/2025	23/08/2025	22/10/2025	22/10/2025	26/11/2025	11/01/2026	11/01/2026	22/02/2026	27/04/2026	27/04/2026	26/05/2026
EC	µS/cm	90-2,658	1,400	1,400	3,100	1,400	1,400	3,000	1,400	1,500	3,000	1,500	1,600	3,100
pH	pH Units	6.5 to 8.0	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.4	7.7	7.8	7.2
NO_3 (Nitrate)	mg/L	5.9	5.3	9	4	6.3	9.8	4	3.7	9.4	4	12	8.9	3.8
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.055	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.013	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
B (Boron)	mg/L	0.48	0.37	0.38	0.48	0.39	0.41	0.46	0.36	0.35	0.43	0.34	0.35	0.46
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.018	0.014	0.002	0.045	0.013	0.002	0.042	0.014	0.002	0.045	0.0045	0.0014	0.036
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	-	<0.00005	56	140	<0.00005	60	130	59	57	140	66	60	140
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	-	180	180	540	220	210	610	190	190	610	200	210	620
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	0.005	0.0051	0.0013	<0.0005	0.0008	0.0009	<0.0005	0.0011	0.0019	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Cu (Copper)	mg/L	0.0028	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	-	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.4
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.3	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.0034	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	-	57	61	110	61	62	110	59	61	120	61	59	110
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	1.9	0.035	0.24	0.001	0.054	0.32	<0.001	0.043	0.098	0.003	<0.005	0.15	<0.005
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.0006	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.034	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.011	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	<0.001
K (Potassium)	mg/L	-	11	8.9	22	11	9.1	20	10	8.4	22	11	8.7	22
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.011	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	-	17	19	42	18	20	36	16	19	42	17	17	39
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	-	130	150	310	140	150	290	130	140	310	140	140	300
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	-	160	170	330	130	150	330	130	130	320	130	140	320
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-	800	830	2000	780	800	0	15	0	20	24	7	29
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	-	<5	<5	11	7	<5	1,800	840	850	1900	720	820	1800
$CaCO_3$	mg/L	-	300	320	290	290	320	300	300	320	270	300	320	310
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	0.032	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

* Target guidelines developed by Golder Associates (2014) for Orebody 18.

Table 16 – Surface water monitoring results and a comparison of results against established trigger values. Details of investigations conducted, including outcomes, environmental impacts, and remedial actions, in relation to trigger exceedances and a discussion of any trends identified.

During the FY2026 reporting period, seven surface water monitoring sites were specified under Licence L5415/1988/9. A licence amendment approved on 17 November 2025 removed monitoring sites JBSW003, JBSW004, JBSW005 (previously known as JBSW009), and JBSW010, and added a new monitoring site in Caramulla Creek (CCSW001). The amendment was made in response to ongoing non-compliances with Condition 29 of the licence, as the existing Rising Stage Samplers (RSS) are either being destroyed or cannot be accessed safely within an appropriate timeframe following rainfall events. Over the past 12 years, sufficient baseline water quality data has been collected at both upstream and downstream monitoring locations, providing a robust understanding of background water quality conditions and the quality of water discharged to the creek. Surface water samples could not be collected during the FY2026 reporting period, as there was insufficient flow at all monitoring sites. These conditions were driven by significantly below-average rainfall, with some areas of the premises receiving less than 50 per cent of the long-term average rainfall.

Table 2-44 Surface water quality for creek lines

			Q1					
Sample Point	Unit	Target	JBSW003	JBSW004	JBSW005	JBSW009	JBSW010	JBSW011
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.95	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03						
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42						
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7						
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002						
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217						
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964						
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6						
Cu (Copper0	mg/L	0.0014						
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6						
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.92						
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006						
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175						
Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	1.9						
Hg (Mercury)	mg/L	0.002						
Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02						
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04						
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	0.7						
pH	pH units	6 to 8						
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87						
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01						
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613						
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103						
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	50						
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	500						
Total Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$	mg/L	560						
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-						
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10						

Table 2-44 Surface water quality for creek lines (continued)

			Q2						
Sample Point	Unit	Target	JBSW003	JBSW004	JBSW005	JBSW009	JBSW010	JBSW011	CCSW001
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.95	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03							
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42							
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7							
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002							
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Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964							
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Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.92							
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006							
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Mn (Manganese)	mg/L	1.9							
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Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02							
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04							
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	0.7							
pH	pH units	6 to 8							
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87							
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01							
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613							
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103							
SO_4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	50							
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	500							
Total Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$	mg/L	560							
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-							
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10							

Table 2-44 Surface water quality for creek lines (continued)

			Q3		
Sample Point	**Unit**	**Target**	**JBSW009**	**JBSW011**	**CCSW001**
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.95	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03			
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42			
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7			
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002			
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217			
Cl (Chloride)	mg/L	964			
Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6			
Cu (Copper0	mg/L	0.0014			
F (Fluoride)	mg/L	1.6			
Fe (Iron)	mg/L	0.92			
Pb (Lead)	mg/L	0.006			
Mg (Magnesium)	mg/L	175			
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Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02			
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04			
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	0.7			
pH	pH units	6 to 8			
K (Potassium)	mg/L	87			
Se (Selenium)	mg/L	0.01			
Na (Sodium)	mg/L	613			
SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103			
SO4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	50			
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	500			
Total Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$	mg/L	560			
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-			
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10			

Table 2-44 Surface water quality for creek lines (continued)

			Q4		
Sample Point	**Unit**	**Target**	**JBSW009**	**JBSW011**	**CCSW001**
Al (Aluminium)	mg/L	0.95	Not Flowing	Not Flowing	Not Flowing
As (Arsenic)	mg/L	0.03			
Ba (Barium)	mg/L	0.42			
B (Boron)	mg/L	2.7			
Cd (Cadmium)	mg/L	0.0002			
Ca (Calcium)	mg/L	217			
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Cr (Chromium)	mg/L	6			
Cu (Copper0	mg/L	0.0014			
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Mo (Molybdenum)	mg/L	0.02			
Ni (Nickel)	mg/L	0.04			
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	0.7			
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SiO_2 (Silica)	mg/L	103			
SO4 (Sulphate)	mg/L	50			
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	mg/L	500			
Total Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$	mg/L	560			
TSS (Total Suspended Solids)	mg/L	-			
Zn (Zinc)	mg/L	10			

Table 17 – Process monitoring results from emission point L1 (water reused for dust suppression)

Table 2-45 Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon (TRH) concentration for South Jimblebar Turkey Nest (SJTN001)

Sample Point	Period	Date	Limit	TRH (mg/L)
(SJTN001)	Q1	23/09/2025	**15 mg/L**	0.75
	Q2	17/12/2025		1.1
	Q3	17/03/2026		<0.1
	Q4	09/06/2026		0.55

Condition 37 – Compliance
The Licensee must submit an Annual Audit Compliance Report indicating the extent to which the Licensee has complied with the conditions in this licence for the previous annual period.

The Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 37.

Condition 38 – Complaints Summary
The Licensee shall implement a complaints management system that as a minimum, records the number and details of complaints received concerning the environmental impact of the activities undertaken at the Premises and any action taken in response to the complaint.

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

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Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L5415/1988/9	Licence file number:	DER2013/000900-1
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 **to** 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒ No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	66,584,128 tonnes
12 – Screening etc. of material	698,679 tonnes
54 – Sewage facility	37.01 m^3/d
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	1,537.06 tonnes
73 – Bulk storage of chemicals	4,441 m^3 in aggregate

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

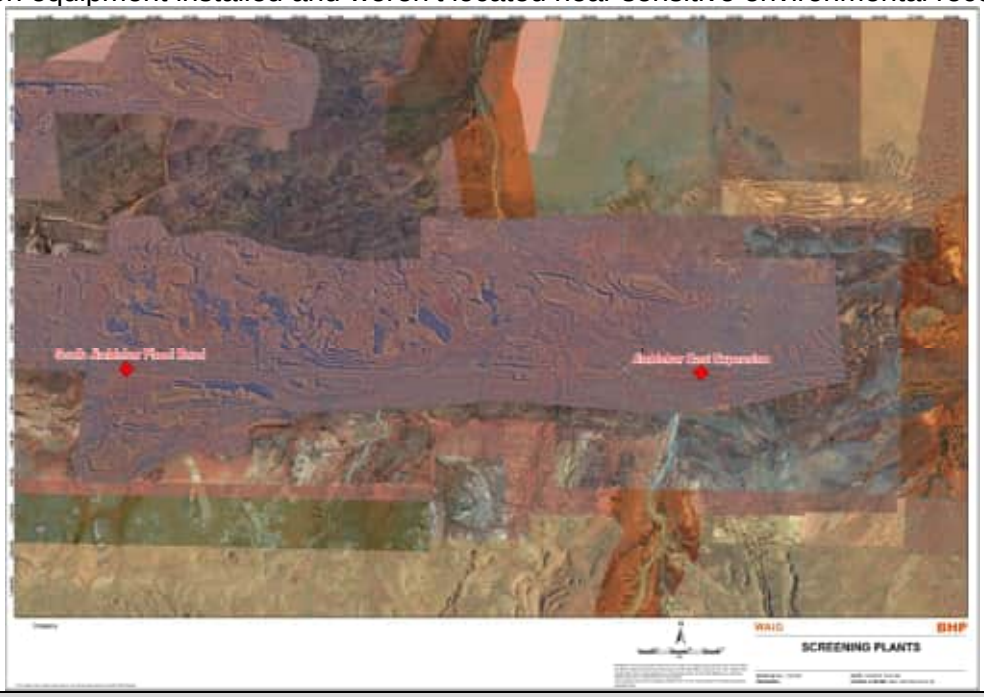
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
6 - Mine dewatering	23.426 GL

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the license holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 9 (Table 4)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	1/07/2025 to 3/11/2025
Details of non-compliance:			
The Jimblebar Biofarm was non-compliant against Condition 9 (Table 4) of the Part V licence prior to the licence amendment on 3 November 2025: • 1.5 mm high-density polyethylene (HDPE) liner to achieve a permeability of $<10^{-9}$ m/s			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected adverse environmental impact has occurred as a result of the non-compliance.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
As reported in the FY2023, FY2024 AER and FY2025 AER, the Jimblebar Bioremediation facility was not lined with a HDPE liner.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Further investigations have confirmed that a Geosynthetic Clay Liner (GCL) was installed when the facility was constructed in 2014. The GCL exceeds the required hydraulic conductivity, with an engineered design of ≤ 3 x 10^{-11} m/s. The licence was amended on 3 November 2025 to remove the requirement for the liner to be HDPE and BHP now considers this non-compliance to be resolved			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: FY2023, FY2024 and FY2025 AER	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the license holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 8(b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	19/07/2025
Details of non-compliance:			
The South Jimblebar Turkeys Nest (SJTN001), which receives treated wastewater from the Jimblebar oily WWTP, overtopped on 19 July 2025 due to a float-valve malfunction.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The overtopping of SJTN001 did not result in any actual or suspected environmental impact, as the treated wastewater was below licence limits and the SJTN001 predominantly collects raw water from mine dewatering.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Malfunction of float valve, which resulted in uncontrolled raw water inflow and overtopping of the Turkeys Nest.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Immediate actions included isolation of inflows, such as the raw water and brine line. Replacement of the float valve was completed, and the SJTN001 high level alarm was adjusted to a lower level to ensure adequate freeboard is maintained.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	



Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the license holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 10	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Category 12 limit for screening of non-ore material was exceeded by 198,679 tonnes due to additional screening activities associated with the Jimblebar East Expansion and South Jimblebar Flood Bund Projects.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There are no known or expected environmental impacts from the exceedance of the non-ore screening limit. All screening plants were located in previously disturbed areas, had dust suppression equipment installed and weren't located near sensitive environmental receptors.			
			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
An investigation into the non-ore screening limit exceedance determined that material screening activities was not forecast in the scope of work for the Jimblebar East Expansion Project.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The non-compliance was identified following completion of screening activities at the Jimblebar East Expansion Project. Corrective actions include improvements to project forecasting and monthly screening volume reconciliations and establishment of a quarterly routine with project execution teams to verify forecast and actual screening volumes. BHP will seek a future licence amendment to increase the Category 12 non-ore screening limit in line with forecasted stemming material requirements associated with the mine expansion under the Jimblebar Significant Amendment (Ministerial Statement 1262) and ramp up of Jimblebar East Expansion Projects.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the license holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	N/A	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
During the FY2026 reporting period, the South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001) received Reverse Osmosis (RO) reject water (brine) transferred from the Warrawandu RO Plant, which is located at the Warrawandu Village Wastewater Treatment Plant (Licence 8665/2012/2). Under L4515/1988/9, the SJTN001 is not authorised to receive or store RO reject water from the Warrawandu RO Plant.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected adverse environmental impact has occurred as a result of the non-compliance. The reject water is mixed with raw water from mine dewatering and contained within SJTN001 (lined pond), with no uncontrolled release the environment. 			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Currently, L4515/1988/9 does not authorise receival of RO reject water into SJTN001.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Following identification of the non-compliance, water levels within South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001) were managed to maintain storage capacity and prevent overtopping. The operating level of the facility was reduced to increase available capacity while an appropriate long-term management solution is developed. Rectification options are being assessed to ensure future management of RO reject water complies with licence requirements. Long-term management and disposal options are currently under review to prevent recurrence of the non-compliance, with the review to continue in FY2027			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

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2.5 L5611/1993/11

The Yarrie mining area (Yarrie Mine) is an open-cut operation located 209 kilometres by road east-southeast of Port Hedland and 35 kilometres east of the former Shay Gap town site. When in operation, iron ore is processed and transported from the mine to Port Hedland via a 210-kilometre rail line. Operations at the Yarrie Mine are currently suspended.

During the FY2026 reporting period, ongoing rehabilitation activities and contaminated site investigations were conducted at the Yarrie Mine. Upgrades to the Yarrie accommodation village are planned to continue in FY2027 to accommodate increase in planned rehabilitation activities.

BHP will continue to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Yarrie Mine in the context of its broader supply chain. In the interim, BHP will continue to progress its program of rehabilitation and decommissioning of redundant infrastructure and contaminated sites investigation and remediation.

The following information reports performance against the L5611/1993/11 licence conditions (Licence Condition 4.2.1, Table 4.2.1) for the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-46 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2025 actual production

Category	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity	FY2025 actual production
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	5,000,000 t per annual period	No production occurred
6	Mine dewatering	200,000 t per annual period	No mine dewatering occurred
63	Class 1 inert landfill site	45,000 t or more per annual period	5.3 t
64	Putrescible landfill	500 t per annual period	29.1 t
85	Sewage facility	Less than 100 m^3/day	2,294 m^3 (average 6.3 m^3/day)

Environment incidents

One incident occurred during the FY2026 reporting period during upgrades to the Biomax system resulting in approximately 3,000L of raw sewage to be discharged to ground. Further details of this incident can be found in the Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR).

Condition 1.3.1 – Waste acceptance

During the FY2026 reporting period:

- Approximately 29.1 t of waste was disposed of at the putrescible landfill;
- 5.3 t of inert waste was disposed at the inert landfill; and
- 2,294 m^3 (average 6.3 m^3/day) was discharged to the designated spray field area

Condition 3.2.1 – Monitoring of point source emissions to surface water

There were no emissions to surface water (Eel Creek) during the FY2026 reporting period from the three licenced discharge points below, due to no discharge occurring:

- Y2/3 discharge point;
- Y10 discharge point;
- W1 contingency discharge point.

Condition 3.3.1 – Monitoring of Emissions to Land

Quarterly monitoring results for the waste water treatment plant are outlined in Table 2-47 below.

- When comparing the FY2026 results against the previous reporting year, FY2026 shows a clear step-change improvement in treatment performance, particularly for BOD, TSS, and E. coli, indicating enhanced process control and system efficiency. However, total nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations remain above plant effluent standards.
- During FY2026 an additional anerobic septic buffer tank was installed beside the existing Biomax to enable a greater anerobic digestion time of raw sewage and ultimately increase septic break down time. An additional laundry facility was added to the camp infrastructure. No other changes occurred to camp infrastructure outside of these upgrades.
- There were no changes to site boundaries and surface drainage channels, and no on-site or off-site impacts of pollution during the FY2026 reporting period.
- There was no sludge removed or any desludging events during the FY2026 reporting period.
- No environmentally sensitive receptors were identified in the sprayfield area during FY2026.

A comparison of effluent water quality against plant design specifications demonstrates pH, BOD, and TSS were compliant with plant effluent specifications, indicating effective control of treatment processes, particularly for organic matter removal and solids separation.

Sampling results indicate that total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentrations exceeded plant effluent standards in all samples, while *E. coli* compliance was achieved in one (1) sample only. An improvement in overall effluent quality was observed following installation of an additional anaerobic septic buffer tank. Notwithstanding this improvement, some

parameters remained above the applicable effluent standards during the monitoring period. No definitive conclusions have been drawn regarding the cause of the exceedances based on the available information.

Table 2-47 Monitoring results for Yarrie Camp spray field FY2026

Sample Date	pH	BOD (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	Total N (mg/L)	Total P (mg/L)	E.coli (CFU/100mL)
Plant Specification – Effluent Standards	6.5 – 8.5	≤ 20	≤ 30	≤ 10	≤ 2	≤ 10
06/08/2025	7.6	<5	28	41	7.7	3,000
05/11/2025	7.8	<5	22	44	3.9	500
04/02/2026	7.4	<5	<5	39	6	<1
13/05/2026	7.6	<5	14	19	7.6	340

There was approximately 2,294 m^3 of treated effluent water discharged at the Yarrie Camp spray field during FY2026.

Table 2-48 Effluent discharged in FY2026

Sample Date	Flowmeter Reading Cumulative (kL)	Average m^3 / day
6/07/2025	26,896	8.18
3/08/2025	27,125	6.83
7/09/2025	27,364	7.89
5/10/2025	27,585	3.75
2/11/2025	27,690	0.86
7/12/2025	27,720	9.14
4/01/2026	27,976	4.68
1/02/2026	28,107	5.75
1/03/2026	28,268	10.67
5/04/2026	28,631	6.04
3/05/2026	28,800	6.11
7/06/2026	29,014	8.38

Condition 4.1.3 - Annual Audit Compliance Report

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 4.1.3.

Condition 4.1.4 - Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

Government of Western Australia
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	5611/1993/11	Licence file number:	DER2014/001167
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒ No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	0 Mtpa
63 – Class I inert landfill site	5.3 t
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	29.1 t
85 – Sewage facility	2,294 m^3

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
6 – Mine dewatering	0

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	1.2.1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	16/10/2025
Details of non-compliance:			
During upgrades to the camp Biomax facility, an event occurred that resulted in an uncontrolled release of approximately 3,000 litres of raw sewage water (effluent) to the ground.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The suspected environmental impact was assessed as low-level, localised effluent contamination of soil based on the following factors: • The effluent was contained within the excavated trench and did not migrate beyond the immediate work area. • Recovery and remediation works were undertaken promptly, minimising the duration and extent of the impact. • No sensitive environmental receptors were impacted, and there were no identified pathways for the contamination to affect surrounding land, surface water, groundwater, flora, or fauna. • The nature of the effluent was limited to typical contaminants associated with wastewater, including pathogens, nutrients, and organic matter.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Contributing factors that led to the non-compliance included: • Undocumented underground services, which resulted in unexpected ground interference and project delays. • Inadequate contractor planning and materials management, resulting in a temporary bypass line not being installed prior to commencing works. • Underestimation of the risk of tank overflow due to reliance on manual tank emptying processes and the absence of instrumentation to monitor and confirm tank levels.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Actions taken immediately included: • Stopping work and initiating the spill response. • The pipe connection was reinstated to restore the system, and pooled effluent was manually pumped back into the storage tank. • Contaminated soil was excavated from the trench where practicable and exposed to UV light to assist in reducing pathogen levels. To prevent a recurrence, all underground services encountered during the project were documented to improve future planning. The importance of thorough planning, risk assessment, and implementation of appropriate controls was also reinforced with the contractor to reduce the likelihood of similar incidents occurring in the future.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
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2.6 L6168/1991/11

The Marillana Creek (Yandi) iron ore mine is located approximately 90 kilometres northwest of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. L6168/1991/11 Marillana Creek (Yandi) current implementation status is operational.

An amendment was granted to L6168/1991/11 on 9 June 2026 to allow for an extension of the Jugari Gorge reinjection, addition of category 13 to allow for crushing, inclusion of a macerator at Spinifex WWTP, removal of category 52, updated disposal limits and landfill locations.

This compliance report has been prepared as per the requirements of Condition 32, Table 15 of L6168/1991/11. This document reports compliance against the pre-amended Licence (23 October 2024) and where required the amended Licence (9 June 2026) will be included to fulfill reporting obligations.

Summary of failures / malfunctions of pollution control equipment and environmental incidents

There were no malfunctions of pollution control equipment in the FY2026 reporting period:

No licence category capacities for Marillana Creek (Yandi) were exceeded during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 1 – General Conditions

During the FY2026 reporting period, no exceedances of the production or design capacity limits for Marillana Creek (Yandi) occurred, please refer to Table 2-49 for details of the required monitoring data as required by Condition 1.

The June 2026 Licence Amendment removed Category 52 and added Category 13 to the Licence.

Table 2-49 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2026 actual production

Category	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity		FY2026 actual production
		1 July 2025 to 8 June 2026	9 June 2026 to 30 June 2026	
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	87,000,000 t of ore per annual period		14,355,851 tonnes
6	Mine dewatering	15,000,000 t per annual period		4,863,257 tonnes
12	Screening, etc. of material	200,000 t per annual period	300,000 t per annual period	Nil[1]
13	Crushing of building material	-	33,000 t per annual period	Nil[1]
52	Power station	45 mW	-	Nil[1]
54	Sewage facility	773 m^3/day		251 m^3/day
62	Solid Waste Depot	15,000 t per annual period	48,000 t per annual period	13,796 tonnes
64	Class 2 putrescible landfill	31,800 t per annual period	40,000 t per annual period	3,591 tonnes
73	Bulk storage of chemicals, etc.	4,000 m^3 in aggregate		1,310m^3 max bulk fuel storage

[1] Did not occur onsite during FY2026 reporting period

Condition 2 to 11 (pre-amendment) / Condition 2 to 12 (post-amendment) – Premises Operation

All waste has been managed as per the requirements of the Condition 2 to 11 (pre-amendment) and Condition 2 to 12 (post-amendment) during the FY2026 reporting period.

Please refer to Table 2-50 for details of waste quantities as required by Condition 2, Table 2.

There were non-compliances to Condition 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 (pre-amendment) details are in the attached AACR. Non-compliances relate to:

- Bioremediation facility design, construction and operation;
- Hydrocarbon contaminated soils stored outside designated storage area;
- Putrescible landfill weekly coverage and monthly windblown waste collection.

Table 2-50 Waste acceptance

Waste Type	Quantity Limit		Quantity Disposed FY2026
	Pre License Amendment	Post License Amendment	
Inert Waste Type 1 Inert Waste Type 2 Putrescible Waste	Combined total of up to 31,800 tonnes per annual period for Category 64 activities	Combined total of up to 40,000 tonnes per annual period for Category 64 activities	3,591.3 tonnes
Sewage[2]	1,028 m^3/day[1]		251 m^3/day
Bioremediated soil	Reporting required for monitoring purposes only – no limit in place		217 m^3

[1] Quantity disposed measured as volume of treated wastewater discharged to designated irrigation areas
[2] Sewage can be accepted from non-sewered facilities post license amendment. Previously only accepted through sewer inflow(s)

Condition 12 (pre-amendment) / Condition 13 (post-amendment), Table 7, Condition 14 (pre-amendment) / Condition 15 (post-amendment), Table 8 and Condition 22, Table 11 (pre-amendment) / Table 10 (post-amendment) – Monitoring of point source emissions to surface water and groundwater

During the FY2026 reporting period, the requirements of Licence Condition 12 (pre-amendment) / Condition 13 (post-amendment), Table 10 were identified as compliant. During the FY2026 reporting period discharge volumes were recorded as shown in the table below.

The June 2024 licence amendment added discharge locations HMN003P, HMN013P, HMN033P, HMN042P, HMN043P and HMN044P. These discharge locations were not developed and were therefore not operational during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-51 Cumulative volume of water discharged to surface water and groundwater

Sample Point Name		Total volume water discharged (kL)	Average volume water discharged per day (kL)	Total volume of water discharged in FY2026 (kL)
MCDMDEW040	Q1	496,806	5,520	2,236,286
	Q2	579,780	6,371	
	Q3	635,893	6,912	
	Q4	523,807	5,694	
MCDMDEW041	Q1	1,033	11	3,720
	Q2	2,687	30	
	Q3	0	0	
	Q4	0	0	
HMN0045P	Q1	67,362	748	159,994
	Q2	92,632	1,018	
	Q3	0	0	
	Q4	0	0	

Dewatering discharge results for FY2026, (Table 2-52), did not exceed the PFOS or PFOA limits set out in L6168/1991/11, no other analytes have established trigger values or limits set out in the licence. All parameter results are generally within 5-year historical concentration ranges with no distinct water quality variations noted during the reporting period.

Table 2-52 Dewatering discharge water quality monitoring results FY2026

Parameter	Unit	Licence Limit	MCDMDEW040				MCDMDEW041			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Aluminium	mg/L	n/a	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	No discharge	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	n/a	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.0005
Boron	mg/L	n/a	0.36	0.48	0.40	0.40	0.47	0.46		0.45
Cadmium	mg/L	n/a	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005		<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	n/a	43	46	41	52	67	64		67
Chloride	mg/L	n/a	100	110	100	130	130	130		130
Chromium	mg/L	n/a	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.001
Copper	mg/L	n/a	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005		<0.0005
Iron	mg/L	n/a	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005		<0.005
Magnesium	mg/L	n/a	42	45	38	52	61	57		65
Manganese	mg/L	n/a	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.001	<0.001		<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	n/a	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005		<0.00005
Nickel	mg/L	n/a	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001		<0.001
Nitrate	mg/L	n/a	21	18	16	15	13	2.9		13
Potassium	mg/L	n/a	6.2	5.7	6.2	7.8	12	13		13
Selenium	mg/L	n/a	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.002		0.002
Silver	mg/L	n/a	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001		<0.001
Sodium	mg/L	n/a	78	87	76	96	96	98		100
Sulphate	mg/L	n/a	51	58	56	62	74	68		68
Zinc	mg/L	n/a	0.003	0.003	0.004	0.004	0.005	0.26		0.41
EC	µS/cm	n/a	870	870	1100	1000	1200	1300		1200
pH	mg/L	n/a	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.9		7.1
Bicarbonate	mg/L	n/a	290	340	340	360	430	460		480
Carbonate	mg/L	n/a	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5		<5
TDS	mg/L	n/a	550	590	570	610	720	700		740
TSS	mg/L	n/a	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5		<5
TRH C6-C10	mg/L	n/a	-	-	<1	<10	-	-		<10
TRH C10-C16	mg/L	n/a	-	-	<1	<10	<10	-		<10
TRH C16-C34	mg/L	n/a	-	-	<5	<50	<50	-		<50
TRH C34-C40	mg/L	n/a	-	-	<5	<50	<50	-		<50
BTEX	µg/L	n/a	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.001	<0.0025	<0.0025		<0.001
PAH	µg/L	n/a	<0.000005	<0.000005	<0.000005	<0.000005	<0.001	<0.001		<0.000005
PFOS	µg/L	**0.0091**	<0.0002[1]	<0.0002	<0.0002	<0.0002	<0.0002	<0.0002		<0.0002
PFOA	µg/L	**19**	<0.0002[1]	<0.0002	<0.0002	0.003	<0.0002	<0.0002		<0.0002
PFAS (total)	µg/L	n/a	0.023[1]	<0.006	0.020	0.018	<0.006	<0.006		<0.006

- Incorrect fraction reported see AACR for further details

[1] Samples missed in Q1 but resampled early Q2 – see AACR for further details.

Condition 13 (pre-amendment) / Condition 14 (post-amendment) – Emissions to groundwater Summary of implementation of TARP for reinjection trial

The initial reinjection trial recommenced on the 5 August 2025 and operated for 129 days until 11 December 2025. The Jugari (Yandicoogina Gorge) Short Term Trial Groundwater Supplementation Scheme: Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) has been implemented throughout the trial.

No exceedances of any Part V Licence conditions / criteria were recorded. There was one exceedance of the TARP trigger response criteria for salinity (EC) in monitoring well HMN0083M recorded, which is located directly adjacent to the trial reinjection bore HMN0045P. HMN0083M recorded a maximum EC value of 12,800 µS/cm against the trigger value of 1,500 µS/cm in the TARP.

No change in reinjection water quality was recorded, with the reinjection water quality (including EC) remaining stable and below the relevant trigger values (max EC recorded of 997 µS/cm). Further sampling and investigation as required by the TARP identified that the salinity increase was restricted to the monitoring well directly adjacent to the reinjection bore, with no exceedances in any monitoring wells closer to Yandicoogina Gorge. Investigations have identified that the salinity increase was most likely due localised mounding within the aquifer with subsequent re-release / dissolution of salts within the soil profile, typical of a 'first flush' following rainfall or surface flows. Further information is provided in the 'Yandicoogina Gorge Mitigation 6 Month Summary Report'.

Stage 1 of the Yandicoogina Gorge Reinjection Trial is now complete, with an amendment to L6168/1991/11 granted on 9 June 2026 to include the Yandicoogina Gorge Reinjection Trial Stage 2 which has extended the reinjection trial to the Ministers North Aquifer for a period of up to three years.

Condition 14 (pre-amendment) / Condition 15 (post-amendment) – PFAS Compounds

There were no exceedances to the limits specified in Condition 14 (pre-amendment) and Condition 15 (post-amendment), Table 8 (see results in Table 2-52).

Condition 23, Table 12 (pre-amendment) / Table 11 (post-amendment) – Monitoring of emissions to land

Please refer to Table 2-53 for details of the sewage wastewater treatment discharge, monitoring data and comparison of results against the manufactures specifications as required by licence.

During FY2026, an investigation was undertaken to identify the causes of the treatment quality exceedances at the Spinifex Village WWTP. A review of the maintenance strategy did not identify any deficiencies or improvement opportunities. A subsequent engineering assessment identified sludge accumulation within the treatment ponds, particularly the anaerobic pond, as a likely contributing factor to the observed exceedances. Pond desludging has therefore been scheduled for FY2027 and is expected to improve treatment performance, particularly for Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS). While this action is expected to address several of the parameters currently exceeding plant design specifications, it is not expected to influence chlorine values, which is being investigated separately. Treatment quality will continue to be monitored following completion of the desludging works.

Table 2-53 Spinifex Camp wastewater treatment discharge result FY2026

Sample Point		Total Volume Discharged	pH	Biochemical Oxygen Demand	Total Suspended Solids	Residual Chlorine	Total Nitrogen	Total Phosphorus	E. coli
		kL		mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	cfu/100mL
Design specifications		-	6.5 - 8.5	<20	<30	>0.5	<11	<6	<1,000
MCSWSTP004	Q1	24,087	8.4	17	27	<0.1	5.2	3.8	20
	Q2	21,438	9.2	8	160	<0.1	15	3.6	20
	Q3	21,015	8.9	28	120	<0.1	19	3.2	50
	Q4	25,111	9.1	27	65	<0.1	9.5	3	10

Oily wastewater discharge monitoring data for hydrocarbons was undertaken for FY2026 against two hydrocarbon criteria. For the full FY2026 reporting period, hydrocarbon levels in the OHP3 Wastewater Ponds were analysed for TPH fractions (C10-C36) in accordance with the currently active Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Surface Water Ground Water Management Plan (SWGWMP, November 2014) under Ministerial Statement 679, but were not representative of the TRH (C10-C40) requirement under the Licence, see AACR for further details. The SWGWMP has been revised, and the monitoring of hydrocarbons has been updated from TPH to TRH to align with the Part V Licence (TRH) and the National Environment Protection Measure (NEPM) and is pending endorsement from the Regulator, the TPH results are captured below, as well as the TRH results, which were collected for June 2026.

Any event or trend of elevated levels initiates a review and potential corrective management action via a TARP. During the FY2026 reporting period there were no TRH exceedances of the 15mg/L licence limit at the OHP3 oily wastewater ponds. A TPH exceedance against the SWGMP limit occurred in June 2026 – see MS679&1039 CAR for further information.

Table 2-54 OHP3 oily wastewater ponds TPH discharge results FY2026 (under MS679, SWGWMP)

Sample Date	SWGMP TPH Limit	YNDMOWWF001	YNDMOWWF002	YNDMOWWF003	YNDMOWWF004
		TPH C10-C36 (Sum) (mg/L)	TPH C10-C36 (Sum) (mg/L)	TPH C10-C36 (Sum) (mg/L)	TPH C10-C36 (Sum) (mg/L)
Jul 25	5 mg/L	4.6	3.5	2	0.56
		0.35	0.88	0.43	-
Aug 25		1.7	0.93	-	2.6
		4.8	-	-	-
Sep 25		-	-	0.52	1
Oct 25		1.7	-	0.45	-
Nov 25		2.1	2	-	0.67
		2.7	-	-	0.28
		1.3	-	-	0.58
		-	-	-	1.9
Dec 25		1.1	<0.1	-	<0.1
		0.45	<0.1	-	0.42
		0.2	-	-	0.11
		-	-	-	0.16
		-	-	-	3.6
Jan 26		<0.1	2	-	0.69
		0.96	0.79	-	1.2
		3.1	0.36	-	1.4
		0.13	-	-	0.35
Feb 26		0.96	2.9	-	0.59
		-	-	-	0.92
		-	-	-	0.97
Mar 26		<0.1	2.5	-	1.8
		3	-	-	1.6
		1.8	-	-	1.5
		2.1	-	-	0.55
		-	-	-	1.3
Apr 26		2	2	3.8	2.1
		1.9	1.4	1.1	1.6
		1.1	-	-	4.3
		<0.1	-	-	-
May 26		0.52	1.53	-	-
		2.18	-	-	-
		1.76	-	-	-
		1.17	-	-	-
Jun 26		3.79	1.54	-	4.14
		1.01	3.63	-	6.91
		0.999	-	-	1.53
		1.08	-	-	-
		1.69	-	-	-

- Pond level too low to sample

Limit exceedance

Table 2-55 OHP3 oily wastewater ponds TRH discharge results FY2026

Sample Date	Part V TRH Licence Limit	OHP3 Oily Wastewater Ponds TRH (C10-C40) (mg/L)			
		Pond 1	Pond 2	Pond 3	Pond 4
Jun-26	15mg/L	3.6	1.5	-	-
		0.59	-	-	-
		0.85	3.5	-	5.5
		0.48	-	-	9.5
		1.1	-	-	1.7

- Denotes pond level too low to sample or discharge

Condition 24, Table 13 (pre-amendment) / Table 12 (post-amendment) – Monitoring of inputs and outputs

Annual waste inputs are outlined in Table 2-56 below.

Table 2-56 Monitoring of inputs and outputs of Inert Waste Type 1 and Type 2 disposed of in FY2026

Inert Type 1 and Putrescible Waste (Tonnes)	Inert Waste Type 2 (Tonnes)
2,872.6	719.7

Condition 25, Table 14 (pre-amendment) / Table 13 (post-amendment) – Ambient environmental quality monitoring

During the FY2025 reporting year, it was identified that the ambient environmental quality monitoring point names and locations were described differently under Part V and Part IV approvals. A review of historical data from these sampling points confirmed the alignment of sample IDs with the following location descriptions:

- **YNSWPC002** = Upstream Marillana Creek (Flat Rocks)
- **YNSWPC001** = Downstream Marillana Creek

These descriptions were updated in the licence amendment granted in June 2026. Please note that from FY2025 reports refer to the sampling points using the updated descriptions above.

Although several rainfall events occurred during the FY2026 wet season, only one sample could be collected from the required monitoring points. Marillana Creek did not see a full flow through in FY2026 between YNSWPM002 and YNSWPC001 due to insufficient rainfall. The water quality at YNSWPC002 was sightedly elevated above 5-year historical ranges for Boron, Manganese, Nickel, Potassium, Sulphate and TDS in February 2026. Nitrate and sodium fell below 5-year historical ranges in January 2026, and TRH, Bicarbonate, carbonate and electrical conductivity were elevated in January 2026 compared with 5-year historical ranges. The results for YNSWPC003 could not be compared with historical data due no historical sampling at this location. There are no established trigger values in the licence for comparison against as required by Condition 32, Table 15.

Table 2-57 Monitoring of ambient environmental quality of Marillana Creek

Parameter	Unit	YNSWPC002		YNSWPC003
		13/01/2026	14/02/2026	14/02/2026
pH	-	8.4	7.8	7.5
EC	µS/cm	560	470	170
TDS	mg/L	130	300	120
TSS	mg/L	2300	17	35
TRH	ug/L	<50	<50	<50
Sodium	mg/L	1.9	35	11
Potassium	mg/L	3.4	6.6	4.3
Calcium	mg/L	11	20	11
Magnesium	mg/L	2.9	17	5.6
Chloride	mg/L	10	77	21
Carbonate	mg/L	10	<5	<5
Bicarbonate	mg/L	260	83	45
Sulfate	mg/L	6	50	14
Nitrate	mg/L	<0.05	4.1	2.7
Aluminium	mg/L	0.011	0.014	0.021
Boron	mg/L	0.024	0.18	0.07
Iron	mg/L	0.008	0.015	0.026
Copper	mg/L	0.002	0.002	0.001
Zinc	mg/L	0.002	<0.001	<0.001
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005	0.0000	<0.0005
Chromium	mg/L	<0.0005	0.001	<0.0005
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	0.002	<0.001
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	0.001	<0.001
Manganese	mg/L	<0.001	0.004	0.001
Silver	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Tin[1]	mg/L	-	<0.001	<0.001
Lead[1]	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005

[1] Analytes only required under MS679 conditioned Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan, not required under L6168
- Missed analyte, more details in CAR for MS679 - Section 3.5

Condition 26, Table 15 (pre-amendment) / Table 14 (post-amendment) – Jugari Gorge Reinjection Trial monitoring

Groundwater level and quality monitoring has been undertaken during the trial in accordance with the TARP and licence. The reinjection trial operated from 5 August 2025 to 11 December 2025, averaging 1.1 ML/Day with a maximum rate of 1.4 ML/day. The increased reinjection rate correlated with 0.2 – 0.3 m of groundwater recovery within 500 m of the reinjection bore. No licences exceedances were reported throughout the reinjection trial. Full monitoring results are including in the Yandicoogina Gorge 6-Month Summary Report provided to DWER on 15 March 2026 with the Licence Amendment.

As demonstrated in the Summary Report, groundwater levels responded to the reinjection trial across the monitoring network, noting not all monitoring locations could be sampled due to a combination of bore construction issues and/or failure of the remote telemetry units. Where available, alternative water level and quality monitoring was undertaken in nearby monitoring bores, a full break down is available in the Summary Report, further details are captured in the AACR.

Condition 28 – AACR

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the Licence.

Condition 29 – Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

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Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L6168/1991/11	Licence file number:	DER2013/001190
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒ No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

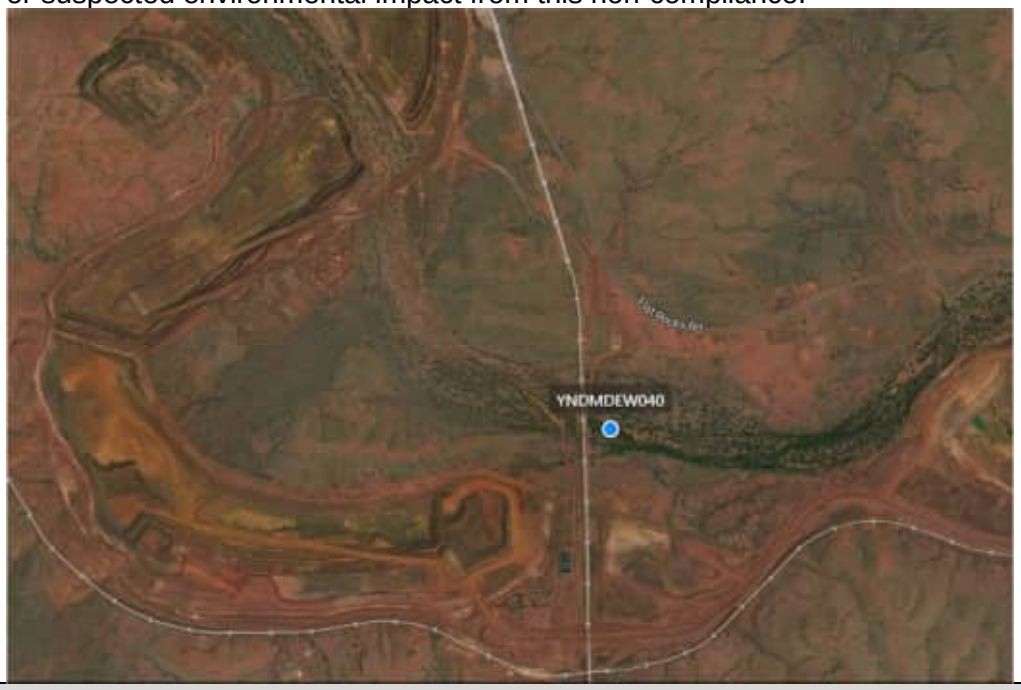
Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	14,355,851 t
12 – Screening, etc. of material	Nil
13 - Crushing of building material	Nil
52 – Electric power generation	Nil
54 – Sewage facility	251 m^3/day
62 – Solid Waste Depot	13,796 tonnes
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	3,591 t
73 – Bulk Storage of Chemicals	1,310 m^3 bulk fuel storage

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
6 – Mine dewatering	4,863,257 t

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 4 (Table 3) and Condition 8 (Table 6) (pre-amendment) / Condition 10 (Table 6) (post amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The Yandi Central Landfarm did not comply with this condition which requires the landfarm to meet the following requirements (design and construction): • designed so that any potential contaminated stormwater runoff from the treatment cells is contained within the bioremediation treatment area; • Synthetic Lined to achieve a permeability of 1 x 10^{-9} m/s; • appropriate signage warning of contamination placed. Contaminated soils are not being actively remediated.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The Yandi Central Landfarm has the following site characteristics to minimise potential risk to the environment: • Flat/gently sloping site; • At least 50 m from surface water bodies; • Separation from the treatment cell to groundwater is greater than 3 m; • Sufficient distance from potential discharge pathways i.e. drains. Localised contamination may have occurred from seepage and potentially contaminated stormwater runoff.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The Central Landfarm was built in the early 2000's prior to the design and construction requirements of the current licence.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
As of 28 June 2026, the new bioremediation facility became operational. The facility was designed and constructed in accordance with the conditions of the licence. All contaminated material located at the previous, non-compliant facility was relocated to the new compliant facility for characterisation and treatment. In accordance with Condition 11, a Construction Compliance Report was submitted to DWER. The previously non-compliant, bioremediation facility will be prioritised within the Contaminated Sites Investigation Program and subsequently the Progressive Rehabilitation Program for Yandi.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 30/10/2025 (FY2025 AER)	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 22 (Table 11) (pre-amendment) / (Table 10) (post-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1 FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 22 of the Licence requires monitoring to be undertaken in accordance with the specifications in Table 10. During Q1 of FY2026, the water sample collected for Dewatering Discharge Location (MCDMDEW040) missed parameters PFAS, PFOA and PFOS.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual or suspected environmental impact from this non-compliance. 			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
During the scheduled Q1 water sample collection, a water quality sample was not obtained for the PFAS, PFOA or PFOS water analysis. MCDMDEW040 was resampled 2 days later, however due to the scheduling late within the quarter, the resample occurred in Q2 of FY2026.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The program schedule for collection of water samples was reviewed, and future collection runs have been re-scheduled earlier in the quarter to allow for resampling if samples are missed or require recollection.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 7 (Table 5) (pre-amendment) / Condition 4 (Table 3) (post-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	21/01/2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Hydrocarbon contaminated waste soil removed from the vehicle washbay sumps was stored on an unlined area outside of the authorised waste storage location (bioremediation facility).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual or suspected environmental impact from this non-compliance due to the volume of waste soil deposited (20m^3) and because the material was removed within 14 days of initial placement (approximately 2 weeks) and relocation to Bioremediation Facility.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The waste type (hydrocarbon contaminated waste soil) was not subjected to the approved process(es) and process limits (remediated within the Landfarm facility) as required by the Licence.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
A Work Instruction (WIN) is being developed to outline waste management and disposal in accordance with Licence conditions.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	Condition 22 (Table 11)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1 and Q2 of FY2026

Details of non-compliance:

For the discharge of surplus dewatering into Marillana Creek at MCDMDEW040 and MCDMDEW041, Condition 22 (Table 11) requires reporting on the following TRH fractions:

- C6-C10,
- C10-C16,
- C16-C34; and
- C34-C40.

In Q1 and Q2, for both monitoring locations the incorrect TRH fractions were reported.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

There is no actual or suspected environmental impact from the non-compliance as all samples which were taken recorded below laboratory limits of detection indicating no-limited hydrocarbons present in the water. The TRH results are captured below.

Sample		TRH C6-C9	TRH C10-C14	TRH C15-C28	TRH C29-C36	TRH C10-C36 (Sum)
		(µg/L)				
MCDMDEW040	Sep-25	<10	<50	<100	<50	<100
	Dec-25	<10	<50	<100	<50	<100
	Jun-26	<10	<50	<50	<50	<50
MCDMDEW041	Aug-25	<10	<10	<50	<50	<50
	Dec-25	<10	<10	<50	<50	<50
	Jun-26	<10	<50	<50	<50	<50

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

A misinterpretation of the work request between the lab and BHP resulted in the non-compliance.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

BHP has updated the lab work request to ensure all future TRH samples are reported against NEMP TRH Fractions, aligned with the Licence requirements.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☒ No ☐ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date:

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:	Condition 5-6 (pre-amendment) Condition 7-8 (post-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	07/06/2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The Licence requires the putrescible landfill to be covered no less than weekly with sufficient cover to be available at all times and collection of windblown waste monthly. During June 2026, it was identified that the landfill had not been covered for an extended period (over 1 week) and had resulted in an accumulation of windblown waste, which had not been collected.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual environmental impact from this non-compliance.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
During the Yandi ramp down, operations transitioned to a one week on, one week off roster. Landfill cover activities were scheduled during operational weeks only, based on an interpretation that the requirement applied to operating weeks rather than calendar weeks. In addition, monthly windblown waste collections were not scheduled due to uncertainty regarding responsibility for arranging the work.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Roles and accountabilities were identified and assigned within BHP internal processes and systems to ensure that all responsible parties were aware of their roles in landfill management. A strategy has been implemented to ensure that weekly landfill covering is completed, appropriate waste is stored nearby the facility, and monthly windblown waste is collected.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 26 (Table 15) (post-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1 and Q2 FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 26 (Table 15) requires ambient groundwater monitoring to be undertaken as part of the Jugari Gorge Reinjection Trial. Trail monitoring bores are to be monitored quarterly. During Q1 and Q2 of the FY2026 monitoring period, the following bores were missed for sampling (HMN0015M, HMN0032M, HMN0034M, HMN0046M, HMN0047M, HMN0049M, HMN0054M, HMN0057M, HMN0121RM and HMN1503RM).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual environmental impact from this non-compliance.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Monitoring wells were unable to be sampled due to damage or well construction issues where samples were unable to be retrieved as required under the Licence.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Alternate bores were sampled instead where available (HMN0031M, HMN0032M, HMN0083M, HMN0042P, HMN0043P, HMN0044P and HMN0041M) and the 6-month Reinjection Summary Report submitted to the Regulator detailed the sampling plan deviation and alternative sampling plan. The Licence was amended to reflect the available bores for sampling, which was issued June 2026.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 25 (Table 15)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Aug, Sept, Oct and Nov 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
In accordance with Condition 26 (Table 15), monitoring of standing groundwater levels is undertaken as part of the Jugari Gorge Reinjection Trial. Trail monitoring bores are to be monitored quarterly. During August, September, October and November of the FY2026 monitoring period, the following bores were missed for sampling (HMN0015M, HMN0032M, HMN0034M, HMN0046M, HMN0047M, HMN0049M, HMN0054M, HMN0057M, HMN0121RM and HMN1503RM).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual environmental impact from this non-compliance.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Monitoring wells were unable to be sampled due to damage or well construction issues where samples were unable to be retrieved as required under the Licence.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Alternate bores were sampled instead where available (HMN0031M, HMN0032M, HMN0083M, HMN0042P, HMN0043P, HMN0044P and HMN0041M) and the 6-month Reinjection Summary Report submitted to the Regulator detailed the sampling plan deviation and alternative sampling plan. The Licence was amended to reflect the available bores for sampling, which was issued June 2026.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 23 (Table 11) (post amendment) / condition 23 (Table 12) (pre-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	July 2025 – May 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 23 requires sampling of Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons in the OHP3 Oily Wastewater Ponds prior to discharge. Throughout FY2026, analysis of hydrocarbons within the oily water ponds was conducted using incorrect TRH fractions – previously referred to as Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH), in accordance with the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan (SWGWMP) under Ministerial Statement 679.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual or suspected environmental impact took place. TPH data is reported in the Compliance Report for the FY2026 reporting period and TRH is reported for June 2026. The licence limit was not exceeded prior to discharge based off TPH fractions.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
A misinterpretation of the work request and specific hydrocarbon fraction for hydrocarbon monitoring between the lab and BHP resulted in the non-compliance.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP has updated the lab work request to ensure all future TRH samples are reported against NEMP TRH Fractions, aligned with the Licence requirements.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2025	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

[1] It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.
[2] AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

2.7 L6942/1997/13

Licence L6942/1997/13 covers mining activities at Eastern Ridge, including Orebody 24 (OB24), Orebody 25 (OB25) and Orebody 32 (OB32). Mining is no longer occurring at Orebody 23 (OB23), with decommissioning activities for this Orebody in progress. Eastern Ridge operation is located approximately 10 km northeast of Newman.

The licence was amended on the 21 October 2025, to enable Orebody 32 mining activities, including an uplift in dewatering capacity to 40.9GL/ annum and supporting infrastructure to enable surplus water to be discharged to Opthalmia Dam. The licence amendment also included administrative updates from the Newman Dust Monitoring Network Review. The updated licence was issued on the 8 June 2026.

This compliance report documents compliance against the previous licence from 21 October 2025 to 07 June 2026 (pre-amendment) and compliance against the amended licence 08 June to 30 June 2026 (post-amendment), where applicable, data has been presented together in one table across both licence versions, with relevant conditions and tables referenced.

Condition 1 and 2 - Production and design capacity

During the FY2026 reporting period, there was no exceedance of the approved premises production or design for Eastern Ridge (Table 2-58).

Table 2-58 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2026 actual production

Category	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity		FY2026 actual production
		21 Oct 2025 to 07 Jun 2026	08 Jun 2026 to 30 Jun 2026	
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	41,000,000 tonnes per annual period		18,945,373 t
6	Mine dewatering	19 gigalitres per annual period	40.9 gigalitres per annual period	11.65 GL
63	Class 1 inert landfill site	10,000 tonnes per annual period		0t
85	Sewage facility	52 cubic metres per day		26.61 m^3/d

Condition 3 – Operational requirements of premises infrastructure and equipment

All infrastructure and equipment listed in Tables 12 and 13 of Schedule 4 of L6942/1997/13 is maintained and operated in accordance with the operational requirement. One non-compliance under Table 13 of Schedule 4, will be reported for the OB24 evaporation pond overtopping event, where vertical freeboard was not maintained.

Condition 4 – Average monthly performance of dust control infrastructure

The Orebody 25 OHP was not operational during the FY2026 reporting period. The Orebody 24 OHP was operational during FY2026, with all dust control spray systems achieving above the 90 per cent target specified in the Licence in FY2026. A summary of the average monthly performance of dust control infrastructure is shown in Table 2-59. There were two recorded non-compliances during the FY2026 reporting period against Condition 4, where the monthly performance of dust control infrastructure was below the specified Licence target of 90 per cent, these include:

- BOC Sprays – March 2026 (86.58%)
- Boom Sprays on Stackers – April 2026 (74.24%)

The Stacker Sprays were not required during February and April due to a combination of operational shutdowns, rainfall events and high ore moisture content resulting in the application of Wet Ore exclusion periods.

OB24 Plant went into shutdown from 3–12 February 2026 therefore stacker spray is noted as not applicable in the table below. Rainfall occurred from 12-20 February, and stacker sprays were not utilised due to Wet Ore and Hosing Chute exclusion periods. Laboratory analysis confirmed that ore moisture content exceeded DEM for 100 per cent Of Drill Hole samples (Pre-OB24 Crusher), 72 per cent of Fines Samples and 98 per cent of Lump Samples for Ore arriving at Whaleback after transportation from Eastern Ridge TLO.

Rainfall events were recorded on 2 April, 12-15 April and 25 April. Stacker sprays were not operated in Automatic mode during these periods due to Wet Ore conditions and rainfall-related exclusion periods. Limited manual operation occurred, with one spray operated intermittently on 12 and 30 April, the second spray operated on 10 April. Laboratory analysis confirmed that moisture exceeded DEM for 82 per cent of Drill Hole samples (Pre-OB24 Crusher) and 63 per cent of Fines Samples & 93 per cent of Lump Samples for Ore arriving at Whaleback after transportation from Eastern Ridge TLO.

Further details of the non-compliances are discussed within the AACR.

Table 2-59 FY2026 average monthly performance of dust control infrastructure

Month	License Limit	Orebody 24 OHP		
		BOC sprays	Boom sprays on stackers	Stacker Spray
Jul	90%	98.15%	99.86%	100.00%
Aug		98.90%	99.77%	100.00%
Sep		99.45%	94.11%	100.00%
Oct		99.36%	99.27%	100.00%
Nov		99.58%	99.46%	100.00%
Dec		99.70%	99.86%	100.00%
Jan		99.65%	95.09%	99.94%
Feb		98.66%	92.52%	N/A
Mar		86.58%	99.94%	100.00%
Apr		99.34%	74.24%	N/A
May		98.32%	99.35%	100.00%
Jun		96.03%	96.43%	100.00%
Limit exceedance				

Condition 5 and 6 – Dust Control Equipment Inventory

The Dust Control Equipment Inventory and operational requirements against OB24 OHP infrastructure have been maintained during the reporting period. No dust control equipment has been removed during the reporting period.

Condition 7 – Newman Dust Monitoring Network (pre-amendment)

The requirement to undertake the Newman Dust Monitoring Network Review has been completed and was removed from the licence under the 8 June 2026 amendment. The amendment incorporated the outcomes of the review, including updates to dust monitoring locations and administrative changes to the dust monitoring and management framework.

Condition 8 (pre-amendment), Condition 7 (post-amendment)– Dust monitoring and control infrastructure (post-amendment)

During the FY2026 reporting period, dust monitoring infrastructure upgrades and monitor relocations were completed in accordance with the requirements and by the specified completion date outlined in Table 1 of the Licence.

Table 2-60 Dust monitoring and control infrastructure installation

Infrastructure	Required Completion Date	Compliance Status	Comment
PM_{10} monitor OB24 OHP and Newman Town	N/A	Completed	The monitoring network review submitted to DWER identified that the Eastern Ridge Gatehouse Boundary Monitor OB32AQRT016 was suitable as the Trigger monitor.
Stockyard sprays (OB25 OHP)	Within 12 months of the end of any annual period where greater than 5,000,000 tonnes of iron ore is crushed, screened or otherwise processed at OHP25 infrastructure.	Not required	The OB25 OHP was not operational throughout FY2026. BHP submitted a notification of relocation to DWER on 2 January 2025 (SR-0175379). A siting audit in was conducted in accordance with AS/NZS 3580.1.1 in FY2026.
BOC sprays	Within 12 months of the end of any annual period where greater than 5,000,000 tonnes of iron ore is crushed, screened or otherwise processed at OHP25 infrastructure. N/A	Not required	
Conveyor dust suppression sprays			
OB25 PM_{10} monitor			
WBAQRT022 and WBAQRT011 dust monitor			

Condition 9 (Table 2) (pre-amendment), Condition 8 (Table 2) (post-amendment) – Authorised infrastructure to be constructed

The infrastructure at Orebody 24 Ore Handling Plant meets the design and construction specifications outlined in Table 2. The Inert landfill at Newman East was not operational throughout FY2026.

Condition 10 (pre-amendment), Condition 9 (post-amendment), – Air quality monitoring data

In accordance with air quality monitoring data condition, Table 3 of the Licence, air quality monitoring was undertaken for the FY2026 reporting period in accordance with Condition 9 requirements. Monitoring data has been provided quarterly in the format specified in Schedule 6. The data has been analysed with detail of exceedances are listed in Table 2-61 below.

Condition 11 (pre-amendment), Condition 10 (post-amendment)– Summary of the occurrence of Reportable Events

Details of events where the PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ exceeded the reportable event criteria stipulated in Table 4 of the Licence are summarised in Table 2-61. Please note that there may be discrepancies between the PM_{10} readings in the quarterly reports submitted for the FY2026 reporting period and the details below as the deadlines for report submissions can occur before the validated data set is available.

Each of these events were investigated as per the licence requirements and quarterly reports submitted to DWER in accordance with the Schedule 5 quarterly reporting requirements.

Table 2-61 contains a summary of the number of instances in which the 24-hr average exceeded the DWER licence target of (>70) PM_{10} µg/m^3 at the Newman 1 Town Centre (WBAQRT010) licence target of (>25) PM_{10} µg/m^3 (WBAQRT023) monitoring location and the Newman town east (WBAQRT006) monitoring location for FY2026. There were no recorded exceedances for Boundary 3 BAM East, and Newman East Gatehouse throughout FY2026.

A higher number of reportable dust exceedances were recorded in FY2026 compared to FY2025, with contributing meteorological conditions experienced in the first half of FY2026 (significant inversions) and also a prolonged dry period with the lowest rainfall year since 2019. Based on the Bureau of Meteorology's long term climate statistics, during FY2026, Newman recorded approximately 153 mm of rainfall, representing only 48 per cent of the long-term annual average of 316.8 mm. Rainfall was therefore significantly below average, with a deficit of approximately 164 mm. Additionally, several exceedances were influenced by regional dust and meteorological conditions, with approximately 19 per cent of events assessed as not attributable to BHP activities. During FY2026, dust management controls remained in place and investigations were undertaken for all reportable events in accordance with licence requirements.

Table 2-61 Summary Reportable Events for the FY2026 reporting period

Period	Date	Classification	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT010)	Newman 3 Town East (WBAQRT006)	Newman 1 – Town Centre (WBAQRT023)	Whaleback Gatehouse Boundary WBAQRT031
			*Single reportable event			
			(>70) PM_{10} µg/m^3		(>25) PM_{10} µg/m^3	(≥200) PM_{10} µg/m^3
Q1	1/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	57.4	76	–	–
	2/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	46.9	110.3	–	–
	3/07/2025	BHP Contributable	92.3	101.2	–	–
	6/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	24.3	70.6	–	–
	12/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	35.1	71.9	–	–
	13/07/2025	Not BHP Contributable	52.8	74.3	–	–
	14/07/2025	BHP Contributable	84.3	59	–	–
	14/07/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	230.4
	20/07/2025	BHP Contributable	67.6	77.5	–	–
	20/08/2025	BHP Contributable	92.4	89.4	–	–
	2/09/2025	BHP Contributable	84.5	60.7	–	–
	4/09/2025	BHP Contributable	107.8	67	–	–
	13/09/2025	BHP Contributable	180.1	83	29	–
	26/09/2025	BHP Contributable	141	55	–	–
Q2	10/10/2025	BHP Contributable	75.2	48.5	–	–
	11/10/2025	BHP Contributable	71.9	56.2	–	–
	11/10/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	274.3
	14/10/2025	BHP Contributable	91.6	77.6	–	–
	19/10/2025	BHP Contributable	83.5	92.5	–	–
	23/10/2025	BHP Contributable	74.1	67.4	–	–
	24/10/2025	BHP Contributable	79.2	83.6	–	–
	29/10/2025	BHP Contributable	80.2	78.5	–	–
	3/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	106.2	101.8	–	–
	4/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	79.8	132	–	–
	9/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	66	79	–	–
	11/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	87.8	101.3	–	–
	14/11/2025	BHP Contributable	91.6	67.4	–	–
	18/11/2025	Not BHP Contributable	39.1	99.3	–	–
	20/11/2025	BHP Contributable	74.3	90.3	–	–
	21/11/2025	BHP Contributable	73.4	41.4	–	–
	22/11/2025	BHP Contributable	–	–	–	235.3
	22/11/2025	BHP Contributable	87.3	63.1	–	–
	5/12/2025	BHP Contributable	71.5	32.9	–	–
	9/12/2025	BHP Contributable	96.3	104.3	–	–
	12/12/2025	BHP Contributable	75.3	66.3	–	–
	19/12/2025	BHP Contributable	67	71.3	–	–
	29/12/2025	Not BHP Contributable	96.3	79.4	–	–
Q3	8/01/2026	BHP Contributable	114.8	129.5	–	–
	9/01/2026	Not BHP Contributable	63	71.4	–	–
	12/01/2026	BHP Contributable	57.8	73.9	–	–
	19/01/2026	BHP Contributable	71	64.1	–	–
	10/03/2026	Not BHP Contributable	45.4	71.7	–	–
	24/03/2026	Not BHP Contributable	74.6	38	–	–
	25/03/2026	BHP Contributable	98.7	76.3	–	–
Q4	8/04/2026	BHP Contributable	74.7	52	–	–
	28/05/2026	BHP Contributable	87	63.7	–	–
	30/06/2026	BHP Contributable	64.6	33.5	–	233.4

Conditions 12 to 18 (pre-amendment), Conditions 11 to 17 (post-amendment) - Dust exceedance investigation and management

All dust exceedance events were investigated to identify the emission source emission, review the performance of operational controls and identify improvement opportunities to further reduce dust emissions. Emissions from the Eastern Ridge mining operation were not identified as a contributing source to any BHP contributable reportable event recorded during FY2026.

Condition 19 (pre-amendment), Condition 18 (post-amendment) – Waste processing

Wastes accepted onto the landfills in the FY2026 period were only subjected to the processes set out in Table 5 of the Licence. Refer to Table 2-62 for the specific details of the total volume of waste generated in the FY2026 reporting period. Waste oil has been taken off site throughout FY2026. During FY2026, there was one non-compliance against Table 13 item 5 of the Licence:

Bioremediation waste processing is ineffective at OB24 Landfarm as the facility does not meet design specifications for liner permeability requirements and stormwater containment required in– Table 13, Item 5. Refer to the AACR for further details.

Inert Waste

No Inert Waste Type 1 (e.g. concrete, bricks, asphalt and clean rubble) or Inert Waste Type 2 (e.g. shredded tyres) was disposed of at the Eastern Ridge inert landfill during FY2026, as the facility was not in use. All inert waste generated on site was transported to approved off-site waste management facilities.

Hydrocarbon contaminated waste

Hydrocarbon contaminated soil at OB24 Land-farm is being tilled and tested against TRH and PFAS requirements when moving or reusing the soil. Only treated water from the oily wastewater system was discharged to the Orebody 24 evaporation pond throughout FY2026. Ponds are being cleaned biennially to maintain the integrity of the liner.

Sewage

Orebody 24 treated sewage evaporation pond and Orebody 25 Biomax irrigation area (L1) were monitored according to the parameters set out in Table 8 and Table 13 of Schedule 4.

None of the licence category capacities were exceeded during the FY reporting period. The total waste disposed of at the site landfill and discharged via the sewage treatment plants was within the approved quantity limits during the FY reporting period.

Condition 20 (pre-amendment), Condition 19 (post-amendment)– Monthly waste disposal

The facility was not in use during FY2026 as shown in the table below.

Table 2-62 Inert waste disposal

Date	Inert Waste Type 1 (t)	Conveyor (t)	EM Tyres Dumped (t)	LV Tyres Dumped (t)	Total Inert Waste (t)
Quantity limit					**10,000 t per annual period**
Jul 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Aug 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Jan 2026	0	0	0	0	0
Feb 2026	0	0	0	0	**0**
Mar 2026	0	0	0	0	0
Apr 2026	0	0	0	0	0
May 2026	0	0	0	0	0
Jun 2026	0	0	0	0	0
Total FY2026	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

Condition 21 (pre-amendment), Condition 20 (post-amendment)– Waste acceptance criteria

All waste that does not meet the waste acceptance criteria set out in condition 19 has been removed from the premises and disposed of at an appropriate facility. Waste has been managed in accordance with the requirements in Condition 22.

Condition 22 (pre-amendment), Condition 21 (post-amendment)– Landfilling activities

No landfilling activities occurred for FY2026. No rehabilitation of a cell or phase has taken place within the reporting period.

Condition 23 to 25 (pre-amendment), Condition 22 to 24 (post-amendment) – Landfill Cover, Access and Windblown Waste management

The inert landfill area at OB24 was not utilised during FY2026. Access in the active landfill is through the autonomous zone which requires pit permit and mining escort.

Condition 26 (pre-amendment), Condition 25 (post-amendment) – Monitoring and limits

All laboratory samples are obtained in accordance with the requirements outlined in this condition. All laboratory samples are submitted to and tested by a laboratory with current NATA accreditation.

Condition 27 (pre-amendment), Condition 26 (post-amendment) – Monitoring Calibration Requirements

All monitoring is undertaken in accordance with the requirements and standards outlined in this condition.

Condition 28 (pre-amendment), Condition 27 (post-amendment)– Equipment Modification Reporting

There were no calibration non-compliances reported to the regulator throughout FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 29 (pre-amendment), Condition 28 (post-amendment) – Dewater discharge and surface water monitoring

There are six monitoring point locations for point source emission monitoring to surface water at Eastern Ridge. A summary of the monitoring parameters, as specified in Table 7 the Licence, is presented in Table 2-63. The monitoring results summary of the dewatering discharge from Licence points D06 and D07 to Homestead Creek and the mine pit are summarised in Table 2-64.

During the FY2026 reporting period, D04-3 and D0-4 did not require sampling due to no flow conditions. Additionally, there was no discharge from D05, therefore a sample was no required for the reporting period. There was no overflow event at D07 for the whole FY2026, TK1337 remained below 92 per cent while would not cause any tank overflow.

There was one non-compliance for missed sampling event at D01 due to an administrative error. Further details of the non-compliances are discussed within the AACR.

Table 2-63 Dewatering discharge water quality data for the FY2026 reporting period

Monitoring Point ID		D01				D04-3				D04-4				D05			
Quarter		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Sample Date		11/07/25	13/10/25														
Parameter	Unit																
Volume	ML/d	2.853	2.650	2.518													
EC	µS/cm	1200	1300	1200													
pH	pH	7.7	7.9	8													
TDS		710	730	690													
CaCO3		420	430	<100													
TSS		<5	<5	<5													
TRH		<100	<100	<100													
Al		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005													
As		0.0016	0.0017	0.0014													
Ba		0.017	0.016	0.02													
B		0.270	0.300	0.27													
Ca		61.0	60	63													
Cd		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005													
Cl		150	160	140													
CO3		<5	<5	<5													
COD		<10	<10	<10													
Cr		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	Sample not taken	Dry				Dry				Dry			
Cu		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005													
F		0.6	0.6	0.5													
Fe	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005													
HCO_3		390	390	370													
Hg		<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005													
K		6.2	6.0	6.7													
Mg		63	67	62													
Mn		0.012	0.013	0.01													
Mo		0.0009	0.0011	0.009													
Na		99	100	92													
Ni		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001													
NO_3		2.6	3.9	3.5													
Pb		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005													
Se		0.002	0.003	0.003													
SiO_2		22	22	21													
SO_4		120	130	96													
TN		0.85	0.94	0.76													
TP		0.04	0.04	0.04													
V		<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005													
Zn		<0.001	0.002	0.0010													

Table 2-64 Dewatering discharge monitoring results

Monitoring Point Location			D06				D07			
Quarter / Sample Date			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parameter	Units	Trigger	11/07/2025	12/10/2025	16/01/2026					
Volume	KL/d		0.8	9.6	9.2					
EC	µS/cm	2,400	1200	1200	1200					
pH	-	6.0 – 8.5	7.8	7.9	7.9	Dry	Dry			
TDS	mg/L	<4,000	690	710	690					
TSS	mg/L	<80	<5	<5	<5					
TRH	mg/L	<15,000	<100	<100	<100					

Condition 30 (pre-amendment), Condition 29 (post-amendment) - Emissions to land

Daily flow rates at both OB25SWSTP003 and OB24DMSEW001 monitored sewage discharge locations were below licence limits during FY2026 (Table 2-65). When comparing analytes to historical monitoring results for the following analytes: pH, BOD, TSS, Total N and Total P results were generally stable across the reporting period, with trend data remaining below historical maximums. During FY2026, E. coli remained below detection limits at OB25 Sewage Plant, however, during Q2 and Q4, elevated E. coli concentrations were observed in the effluent discharged from the sewage treatment process at OB24 Sewage Plant. BHP investigated the elevated E. coli results and determined that these events were associated with planned maintenance activities and temporary operational adjustments to improve plant performance.

The quarterly Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon (TRH) concentration did not exceed the 15mg/L limit during the FY2026 reporting period (Table 2-66).

The OB25 Oily Water Storage Tanks were not operational for the FY2026 reporting period.

One non-compliance event was reported during the reporting period: Flow rate sample of Orebody 24 Admin WWTP Discharge point was not sampled due to an access issue. Refer to the AACR for further details.

Table 2-65 Effluent discharge monitoring results

Monitoring Point Location			L1 (OB25 Sewage) OB25SWSTP003				OB24 sewage OB24DMSEW001				
		Period	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parameter	Units	Limit	27/08/25	4/11/25	3/02/26	13/05/26	Limit	27/08/25	4/11/25	3/02/26	13/05/26
Flow Rate	m3/day	30	6.2	0	0	6.1	**22**	-	N/A	6.91	7.4
pH		N/A	6.8	8.2	6	7.1	N/A	6.9	8.2	8.3	7.2
BOD	mg/L		<5	<5	<5	<5		9	<5	<5	<5
TSS	mg/L		12	<5	<5	<5		14	10	<5	7
Total N	mg/L		31	28	24	40		48	20	24	43
Total P	mg/L		4.5	4	2.6	2.5		5	7.8	9	6.7
E.coli	CFU/100mL		<1	<1	<1	<1		1	>1000	110	15000

Table 2-66 Treated oily wastewater discharge

Monitoring Point Location			Orebody 24 Turkey's Nest (P1)				Orebody 25 Oily Water Storage Tanks			
Parameter	Units	Limit	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
			01/08/2025	04/11/2025	03/02/2026	13/05/2026	Dry			
TRH	mg/L	**15**	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.05				

Condition 31 (pre-amendment), Condition 30 (post-amendment – Complaints summary

There were no formal complaints lodged with BHP for the premises for the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 32 (pre-amendment), Condition 31 (post-amendment – Compliance reporting

The compliance and monitoring report are captured within this Annual reporting. Further details are provided within the Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR), captured in the following pages.

Government of Western Australia
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L6942/1997/13	Licence file number:	DER2013/000329
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
☐Yes – please complete: • section C; • section D (if required); and • sign the declaration in Section F.
☒ No – please complete: • section C; • section D (if required); • section E; and • sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed premises category	**Actual production quantity**
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	18,945,373 tonnes
63 – Class 1 inert Landfill	0 tonnes
85 – Sewage Facility	26.61 m³/day

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity	
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed premises category	**Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity**
6 – Mine dewatering	11.65 GL

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	19 (Table 5, Table 13) - Pre-amendment 18 (Table 5, Table 13) – Post-amendment	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026

Details of non-compliance:

The Eastern Ridge bioremediation facility does not meet the required design specifications stipulated in the Licence. The bioremediation facility cell liner does not meet the permeability requirements of ≤10^{-9} m/s. Additionally the design of the cell is such that there is potential for contaminated stormwater runoff.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

There was no actual (or suspected) surface or groundwater impact identified as a result of the non-compliance. The bioremediation facility is characterized by a flat/gentle sloped area, is located a minimum 50 m away from surface water bodies, the groundwater is greater than 3 m below the facility and there is sufficient distance away from potential discharge pathway



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

The bioremediation facility was not constructed to the specified requirements stipulated in the Licence, with a facility cell liner permeability of ≤10^{-9} m/s.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

Engineering and design drawings for a new bioremediation facility to be located at Whaleback have been completed. A detailed facility audit was completed in FY2026, in which a number of operational improvements were identified. A Tactical Improvement Plan (TIP) has been developed to improve operational facility management and efficiency of soil remediation at the facility.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☐ No ☒ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
☒ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: FY2025 AER

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:	30 (Table 8) (pre-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1 of FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
The volumetric flow rate reading was not recorded for Q1 FY2026, at the OB24 Administration Wastewater Treatment Plant (OB24DMSEW001) discharge point. The monitoring location was not accessible due to safety constraints.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual (or suspected) environmental impact, as the flow rate was recorded to be constant in Q2 and all effluent is contained within a lined facility.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Contractors were unable to safely access the flowmeter due to site safety constraints, and the site environment team was not made aware of the access issue at the time to assist with rectification.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP investigated the event with the contractor responsible for routine sampling and improved communication processes to ensure inaccessible monitoring locations are reported promptly to the site environment team. In addition, quarterly sampling events will be scheduled within the first month of each quarter to allow sufficient time to identify and rectify any access or monitoring issues and prevent missed monitoring requirements later in the quarter.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

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Condition no:	4	Date(s) of non-compliance:	31 March 2026, 30 April 2026

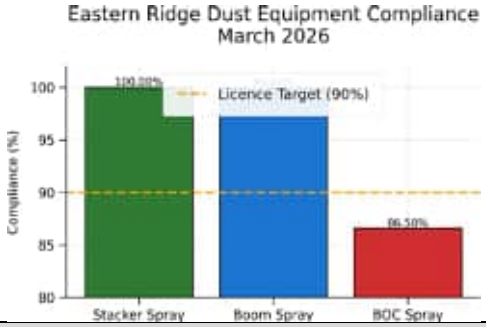
Details of non-compliance:

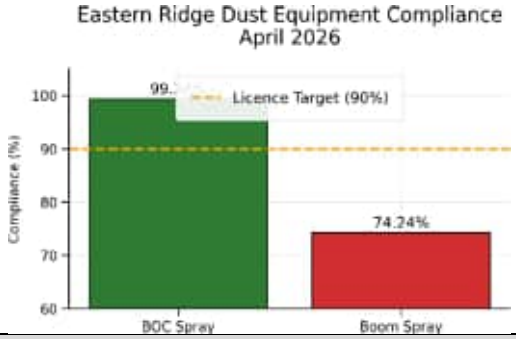
Two recorded non-compliances during the FY2026 reporting period against Condition 4, where the monthly performance of dust control infrastructure was below the specified Licence target of 90%, these include:

- BOC Sprays – March 2026 (86.58%)
- Boom Sprays on Stackers – April 2026 (74.24%)

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?
NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

No actual environmental impact was identified. Environmental risk was assessed as low, as reduced dust spray utilisation occurred during wet ore and rainfall conditions





Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

During the Month of March three of the four conveyor BOC sprays (SX1303, SX1304 and SX1309) were placed in Maintenance Mode between 16th and 19th of March. The investigation conducted by BHP did not identify any associated maintenance records or equipment faults. The operational review identified that the sprays were incorrectly coded as maintenance mode instead of Wet Ore mode in the control system. This occurred during the management Wet Ore conditions following 7.2mm of rainfall on the 15th and 16th of March.
During the month of April, we had rainfall on the 2nd,12th-15th and 25th of April and the Boom spray was largely not utilized due to Wet Ore and rainfall exclusion periods. On the 30th of April, it was identified that the boom spray was being put in the incorrect operational mode (run in maintenance mode rather than in auto mode). Laboratory samples confirmed that moisture exceeded DEM for 82% of Drill Hole samples (Pre-OB24 Crusher) and 63% of Fines Samples & 93% of Lump Samples for Ore arriving at Whaleback after transportation from Eastern Ridge Train Load Out.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

The Licence requirements were communicated to the remote operations team and the control system was reviewed and aligned to ensure performance was in line with our licence operating requirements. Air Quality Performance Monitoring Dashboards were established with daily routines to review equipment performance and air quality monitoring results embedded within operational teams.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☐ No ☒ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
☒ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: 14 August 2026

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Condition no:	3, Table 13	Date(s) of non-compliance:	11 June 2026

Details of non-compliance:

The OB24 evaporation pond overtopping event resulted in non-compliance with Table 13 of Schedule 4, as the prescribed vertical freeboard requirement was not maintained.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

No actual environmental impact was identified as the overtopping was contained within the operational area which is more than 150 m from sensitive receptor. OB24 Turkey's nest Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon (TRH) concentration did not exceed the 15mg/L limit throughout the FY2026 reporting period.



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Equipment malfunction of the OB24 retention pond pump due to a flow-flow fault in the alarm system (flow switch).

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

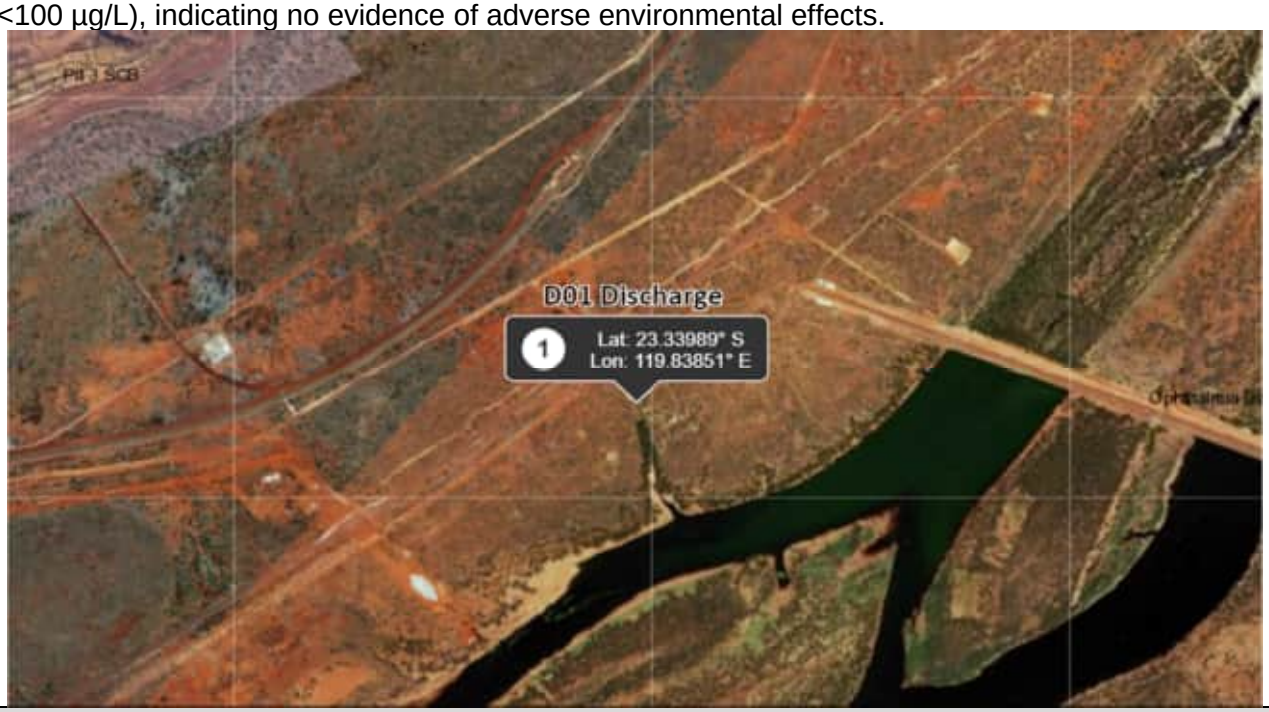
Short-term actions included reducing the water level via water carts. Replacement of faulty equipment and increased pond sludge removal frequency, to enable more pond capacity.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☒No ☐ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date:

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:	Condition 29 (pre-amendment), Condition 28 (post-amendment)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	30 June 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Monitoring required under Condition 29 at Discharge Point D01 was not completed at the required frequency during Q4 FY2026 due to a scheduling error by the environmental contractor, resulting in no analytical data being collected for the reporting period.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No actual environmental impact was identified as a result of this non-compliance. Environmental risk was assessed as low, as D01 monitoring results from Q1 to Q3 FY2026 showed consistent water quality with stable pH (7.7-8.0), low TSS (<5 mg/L), and hydrocarbons below detection limits (<100 µg/L), indicating no evidence of adverse environmental effects.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:		
Scheduling error by the environmental contractor responsible for undertaking the monitoring program, resulting in the Q4 monitoring event not being completed within the required reporting period.		
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:		
BHP engaged with the environmental contractor for the missed monitoring event and implemented improvements to monitoring scheduling and tracking processes. Additional checks have been introduced to verify that all licence monitoring requirements are scheduled and completed within the required reporting periods.		
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?		
☒No ☐ Yes, and		
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date:	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular1. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature2:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

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2.8 L7425/2000/8

North Shaw Quarry 8 mine site (Quarry 8) is located north of the Chichester Ranges approximately 16 kilometres south of the BHP Redmont Rail Camp and 220 kilometres south of Port Hedland. Quarry 8 is licenced for crushing operations and provides rail ballast and other construction material to support BHPs mine, rail and port operations. Quarry 8 is in care and maintenance.

As per Notice of Amendment of Reporting Requirements issued by the DWER on 16 May 2022 only an AACR is required to be submitted annually from this point in time forward. The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the license.

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Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L7425/2000/8	Licence file number:	DER2014/001418
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2024 to 30/06/2025		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☒ Yes – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☐ No – please complete:

- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
12 - Screening etc. of material: premises (other than premises within category 5 or 8)	0 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:		Date(s) of non-compliance:	
Details of non-compliance:			
N/A			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
N/A			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
N/A			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☐ Yes, and			
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2.9 L7851/2002/6

Mining Area C is located approximately 100 kilometres northwest of the town of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. L7851/2002/6 Mining Area C current implementation status is operational.

During the FY2026 reporting period one amendment was made to the licence. The licence amendment came into effect on 1 May 2026 and included the following:

Category 6:

- Packsaddle discharge points L4 and L5 were made permanent (no change to the licensed 34.84 GL/year discharge capacity).
- South Flank MAR monitoring requirements were updated to reflect the use of two balance tanks (discharge points L8, L9 and L10 are already permanent and remain unchanged).

Categories 63 and 89:

- The names of all site landfills were standardised to avoid confusion in construction and operating requirements.
- The remaining footprint of the central Packsaddle putrescible landfill was reclassified as MAC Inert Landfill 2.
- Construction two new putrescible landfills within the MS 1072-approved disturbance footprint (MAC Putrescible Landfill 3 and 6)
- Construction two new inert landfills within the MS 1072-approved disturbance footprint (MAC Inert Landfill 4 and 5)

Category 54:

- Replace *E. coli* cfu with mpn to improve analytical reliability.

This compliance report documents compliance against the previous licence from 1 July 2025 to 30 April2026 (pre-amendment) and compliance against the amended licence from 01 May 2026 to 30 June 2026 (post-amendment).

Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the annual period and any action taken.

Summary of environmental incidents (please refer to the AACR for further details):

- Overtopping of the Field Equipment Maintenance (FEM) treated oily water pond which was contained within the FEM facility with no potentially contaminated runoff from the area. Excess water and sediment were removed from the pond to achieve a 300 mm freeboard.
- Treated hydrocarbon contaminated liquid was incorrectly disposed of at the MAC bioremediation cell. The Bioremediation cell is lined with the liner meeting a permeability of less than 10^{-9} m/s. Additional signage was erected at the bioremediation facility outlining no potentially contaminated hydrocarbon wastewater is to be disposed of at the bioremediation facility

Summary of failures or malfunction to pollution control equipment are outlined below (please refer to the AACR for further details):

- Timber pallets are currently stockpiled within the MAC Inert Landfill's Waste Transfer Station (> 1,000 t of stockpiled timber pallets). Due to the volume of treated timber of pallets onsite, BHP is currently investigating the use of pyrolysis as a means of disposing the timber pallets. Site teams have been instructed to ensure timber pallets (free from any damage) are sent back to the site warehouse where they will be taken offsite for reuse and recycling.
- Putrescible waste was disposed of outside the designated trenches as the waste cells were at capacity. The new (current) putrescible landfill cells have been constructed where all putrescible waste generated onsite is now being landfilled accordingly.
- The putrescible landfill was operating without a perimeter fence; the perimeter fence was later installed per the Licence requirement.
- There were missed monthly flow meter readings at L21 (MAC Rail Loop WWTP irrigation area) in the months of July and August 2025.
- There were missed monthly flow meter readings at L2 (Packsaddle Biomax) in the months of February and March 2026.

Summary of design capacity and throughputs for each prescribed activity on the premises

Please refer to Table 2-67 for a summary of design capacity and throughputs for each prescribed activity on the premises. There was no change to the prescribed premises categories or assessed production capacity during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-67 Production or design capacity limits compared with FY2026 actual production

Category Number	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity	FY2026 actual production
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	151,000,000 t per annual period	149,398,340 t
6	Mine dewatering	34,840,000 t per annual period	22,409,679 t
12	Screening, etc. of material	2,000,000 t per annual period	669,953 t
52	Power Station	20 MW in aggregate	Operating at 20 MW; produced 1,113 MWh
54	Sewage facility	1,138 m^3/day	519.3 m^3 average per day

Category Number	Description	Approved premises production or design capacity	FY2026 actual production
63	Class I inert landfill site	25,000 t per annual period	9,152 t
73	Bulk storage of chemicals, etc.	10,000 m^3 in aggregate	Total capacity of bulk chemical storage remains within 10,000m^3
85B	Water desalinisation plant	0.9125 GL per annual period	0.1627GL
89	Putrescible landfill site	5,000 t per annual period	2,034 t

Condition 1, Table 1 – Production or design capacity limits

There were no exceedances to production or design capacity limits in FY2026 (refer to Table 2-67).

Condition 3, Table 3 – The Licence Holder must only accept waste that meets specification listed in Table 3.

There were no exceedances regarding inert or putrescible waste volume limits in FY2026 (refer to Table 2-68).

There was one exceedance to the average sewage daily volume limits in FY2026 (refer to Table 2-77).

Table 2-68 Waste Inputs

Waste Type	Specification	Limit	Actual
Inert Waste Type 1	None Specified	25,000 tonnes / year	6,226 t
Inert Waste Type 2	Tyres, Rubber and Plastic		2,926 t
Putrescible	None Specified	5,000 tonnes / year	2,034 t
Sewage	Accepted through sewer inflow(s).	1,138m^3 / day	519.3 m^3 average per day
	Accepted from non-sewered facilities at the Premises.		
	Flow recorded as inflow at Packsaddle WWTP Pond System.		
	Flow recorded at outflow at all other licenced WWTPs.		

Condition 18, Table 9 – The Licence Holder must not cause or allow point source emissions to exceed the limits listed in Table 9.

There were no exceedances to groundwater level limits for point source emissions at monitoring bores HCL0008M, HGSL0002M, HGSL0010M, HGSL0012M1, HGCL0012M2, HSL0019M, HGSL0022M, HGSL0025M, HGSL0028M, HSF0055M2, MSF5473M, HSF5482M or HSF0054M or HSF5614M, HSF5494M and HSF5480M in FY2025 (refer to Table 2-69).

Table 2-69 Point Source emission Limits to Groundwater

Monitoring Points	Limits	Depth to Groundwater (mbgl)											
		Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26
HCL0008M	≥7mbgl	27.29	27.60	27.58	32.26	32.64	28.39	33.32	33.55	34.05	34.24	34.35	34.61
HGSL0002M		27.49	27.61	27.71	27.77	27.95	28.06	28.39	28.75	29.09	29.29	29.42	29.58
HGSL0010M		20.80	20.68	20.80	29.59	29.89	30.00	21.77	29.42	30.29	21.92	29.42	28.88
HGSL0012M1		28.46	28.64	28.68	28.86	29.15	29.38	29.39	29.98	30.52	30.37	31.09	30.87
HGCL0012M2		28.46	28.64	28.68	28.86	29.15	29.38	29.39	29.98	30.52	30.37	31.09	30.87
HGSL0019M		26.50	26.81	26.91	27.87	28.41	28.68	29.10	29.37	29.47	29.04	29.41	29.02
HGSL0022M		21.98	22.25	22.39	26.11	26.59	26.75	27.36	27.33	26.08	24.24	25.07	24.26
HGSL0025M		25.83	25.91	25.94	25.97	26.12	26.24	26.63	26.98	27.29	27.47	27.60	27.78
HGSL0028M		27.06	27.29	26.12	26.31	26.18	25.31	27.46	27.88	28.10	28.17	28.35	28.43
HSF0055M2	≥30mbgl	59.79	59.65	58.97	58.84	58.80	58.79	58.68	58.50	58.28	57.94	57.55	57.23
HSF5473M		69.87	69.70	68.57	68.89	68.91	68.79	68.49	68.07	67.77	67.33	66.94	66.53
HSF5482M or		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HSF0054M or		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HSF5614M		89.79	89.65	89.30	89.27	89.07	88.22	86.70	85.41	84.98	83.92	83.95	83.44
HSF5494M		58.95	58.90	58.85	58.81	58.78	58.95	59.23	59.61	60.00	60.47	61.52	62.04
HSF5480M		71.82	71.85	71.74	71.75	71.67	71.64	71.61	71.60	71.64	71.58	71.51	71.52

Condition 28, Table 16– The Licence Holder must not cause or allow point source emissions to exceed the limits listed in Table 16.

Monitoring bores HCF0023M, HCF0032M, HCF0019M, HSF0055M2, HSF5473M, HSF5614M, HSF5494M, and HSF5480M recorded no exceedances in electrical conductivity (refer to Table 2-70 or depth to groundwater levels (Table 2-71) during the reporting period. Additionally, HPSA1633 recorded no exceedances in standing water level, as shown in Table 2-71.

Table 2-70 Ambient environmental quality monitoring – EC

Monitoring Point	HCF0023M	HCF0032M	HCF0019M	HSF0055M2	HSF5473M	HSF5614M[1]	HSF5494M	HSF5480M
Parameter	Conductivity							
Limit	≤1,300 µS/cm							
Q1	510	630	650	580	520	560	610	380
Q2	480	610	610	560	490	570	620	360
Q3	509	638	629	560	510	590	640	350
Q4	480	600	600	560	510	530	650	360

[1] EC from HSF5614M taken out of HSF5482M or HSF0054M

Table 2-71 Ambient environmental quality monitoring – depth to groundwater levels

Monitoring Point	HCF0023M	HCF0032M	HCF0019M	HPSA1633	HSF0055M2	HSF5473M	HSF5614M	HSF5494M	HSF5480M
Parameter	Depth to groundwater levels (mbgl)								
Limit	≥7 mbgl			≥8mbgl	≥30mbgl				
Jul-25	20.85	22.65	20.39	71.690	59.79	69.86	89.78	58.08	71.1
Aug-25	20.85	22.64	20.36	71.614	59.65	69.67	89.62	58.04	71.08
Sep-25	20.86	22.65	20.35	72.410	58.97	68.57	89.27	58.04	71.04
Oct- 25	20.89	22.67	20.40	72.084	58.84	68.94	89.27	58.04	71.05
Nov-25	20.92	22.75	20.48	71.956	58.79	68.99	89.27	58.04	71.06
Dec-25	20.75	22.83	20.37	71.620	58.77	68.65	88.87	58.04	71.04
Jan-26	20.78	23.06	20.78	71.977	58.64	68.65	87.38	57.94	70.96
Feb-26	20.81	23.30	20.71	72.283	58.44	68.21	85.96	57.94	70.92
Mar-26	20.85	23.55	20.75	72.483	58.21	67.92	85.47	57.44	70.86
Apr-26	19.76	22.59	19.76	71.57	56.50	66.20	83.10	57.54	70.84
May-26	19.78	22.72	19.78	71.73	56.16	65.84	83.12	57.54	70.97
Jun-26	19.79	22.8	19.79	72.15	58.61	69.1	82.55	57.97	70.90

Condition 21, Table 12 – The Licence Holder must not cause or allow emissions to land greater than the limits listed in Table 12.

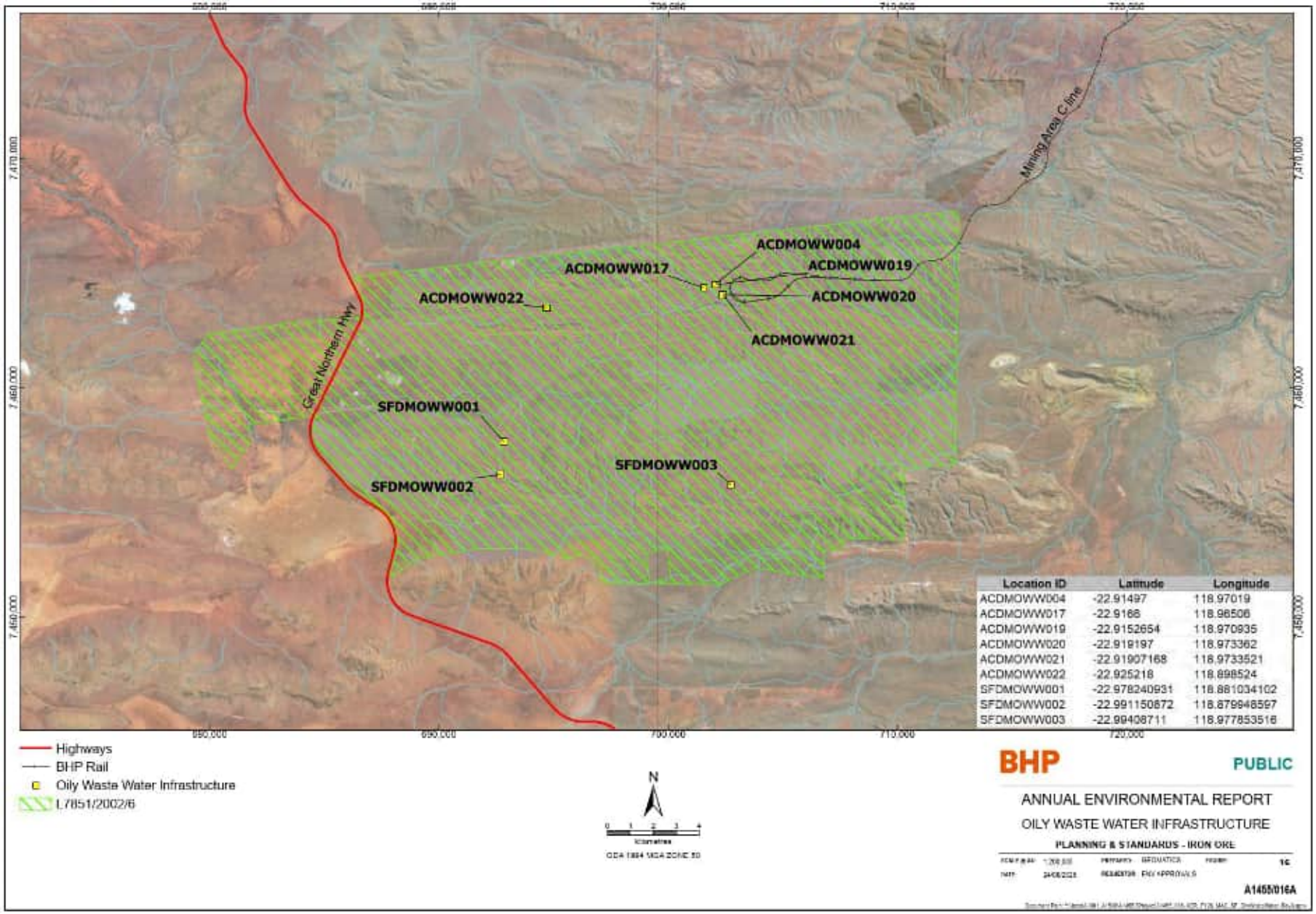
There were no TRH limit exceedances for discharged treated hydrocarbon wastewater in FY2026 (see Table 2-72). Two exceedances were noted in Q1 (18 mg/L) and Q3 (24 mg/L) at MAC E-Deposit OWS Turkeys Nest (Overflow) (ACDMOWW022). Treated hydrocarbon wastewater remained in the HDPE pond and was disposed of via evaporation. Refer to Map 2-1 below for locations and coordinates where treated potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater is located.

Table 2-72 Emission to Land monitoring – Discharge point(s) where treated potential hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater is discharged

Emission Point	Sample Point Description	Qtr.	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons
			Limit ≤15 mg/L
Treated potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater	MAC HV Washdown Bay Standpipe (ACDMOWW004)	Q1	0.34
		Q2	0.55
		Q3	1
		Q4	0.58
	New MAC HV Washdown Bay Evaporation Ponds (Overflow) (ACDMOWW008)	Q1	0.77
		Q2	0.41
		Q3	2
		Q4	0.5
	MAC HV Washdown Bay Evaporation Pond (Overflow) (ACDMOWW017)	Q1	1.5
		Q2	0.8
		Q3	1.4
		Q4	0.59
	MAC Power Station OWS Turkeys Nest (Overflow) (ACDMOWW019)	Q1	0.47
		Q2	1.7
		Q3	1.4
		Q4	0.86
	MAC OHP Workshop OWS Bypass discharge (untreated) (ACDMOWW021)	Q1	NR
		Q2	0.29
		Q3	<0.1
		Q4	NR
	MAC E-Deposit OWS Turkeys Nest (Overflow) (ACDMOWW022)	Q1	18
		Q2	NR
		Q3	24
		Q4	6.9
	OHP Workshop OWS TN overflow (ACDMOWW020)	Q1	NR
		Q2	NR
		Q3	0.29
		Q4	<0.1
	SF MEM Retention Pond Standpipe (SFDMOWW001)	Q1	6.1
		Q2	0.16
		Q3	2
		Q4	2.7
	SF PC2 Turkey Nest Standpipe (SFDMOWW002)	Q1	<0.1
		Q2	<0.1
		Q3	<0.1
		Q4	<0.1
	SF PC1 Turkey Nest Standpipe (SFDMOWW003)	Q1	<0.1
		Q2	<0.1
		Q3	<0.1
		Q4	<0.1

NR Not recorded as water was too low to sample

Limit exceedance



Location ID	Latitude	Longitude
ACDMOWW004	-22.91497	118.97019
ACDMOWW017	-22.9166	118.96506
ACDMOWW019	-22.9152654	118.970935
ACDMOWW020	-22.919197	118.973362
ACDMOWW021	-22.91907168	118.9733521
ACDMOWW022	-22.925218	118.898524
SFDMOWW001	-22.978240931	118.881034102
SFDMOWW002	-22.991150872	118.879946597
SFDMOWW003	-22.99408711	118.977853516

Map 2-1 Potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater monitoring and discharge locations

There was no TDS exceedance at L7 in FY2026 (refer to Table 2-73).

Table 2-73 Emissions to Land monitoring – L7 emission point

Emission Point Reference	Quarter	Volume (kL)	TDS (mg/L)
L7	**Limit**		**≤1,800**
	Q1	42,722	1,200
	Q2	41,970	1,200
	Q3	38,820	990
	Q4	39, 201	1,400

Routine visual and aerial inspections of Wetting Front Limit Marker SCPH0009 and SCPH0010 confirmed no surplus water from mining operations was detected at SCPH0010 during no flow conditions in FY2026.

Condition 25, Table 13 – The Licence Holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 13 according to the specifications in that table.

In FY2026 the Juna Downs MAR was operational comprising of eight injection bores: HGSL0005, HGSL0006, HGSL0014, HGSL0015, HGSL0031, HGSL0032, HGSL0037P and HGSL0038P and nine surrounding monitoring bores: HCL0008M, HGSL0002M, HGSL0010M, HGSL0012M1, HGSL0012M2, HGSL0019M, HGSL0022M, HGSL0025M and HGSL0028M.

In FY2026 the South Flank MAR was operational comprising of five monitoring bores: HSF0055M2, HSF473M, HSF5482M, or HSF0054M or HSF5614M, HSF5494M and HSF480M and eight surrounding injection bores: HSF5462P, HSF5463P, HSF5464P, HSF5465P, HSF5466P, HSF5467P, HSF5469P and HSF5496P.

Hydrochemistry, pH, and Electrical Conductivity were monitored at the injection bore (emission point) during each quarter, and only when the injection bore was active in the quarter. Please refer to Table 2-83 for point source emissions to groundwater quarterly hydrochemistry monitoring data.

Hydrochemistry monitoring of discharge water to groundwater at both the South Flank and Juna Downs MAR injection sites during the reporting period showed generally stable trends compared to previous years. At South Flank (Table 2-74), electrical conductivity and pH remained within expected ranges, with minor seasonal variation. Most analytes were consistent with historical data, though slight increases were observed in zinc and manganese.

Comparison of FY2025 and FY2026 South Flank MAR hydrochemistry data (Table 2-74) indicates relatively stable and improving water quality results over the two financial year periods for a number of parameters. Electrical conductivity showed a clear stabilisation, decreasing from a highly variable range in FY2025 (700–961 µS/cm) to a consistent 670–690 µS/cm in FY2026. pH similarly became more stable, shifting from a broader FY2025 range (7.0–8.2) to consistently alkaline conditions (Table 2-74 and Table 2-75). Total dissolved solids and sulphate exhibited slight increases in FY2026 compared to FY2025, accompanied by a minor increase in sodium; however, these changes were small and consistent across quarters. Nitrates observed slightly elevated levels in in FY2026 compared to FY20205 in Q1 and Q2, however, returned to similar concentrations for Q3 and Q4 in FY2026. Alkalinity and calcium concentrations increased and became less variable. Trace metals showed the most notable improvement, with reduced variability and generally lower concentrations in FY2026, particularly for zinc and barium, which were elevated and more variable in FY2025 but consistently low in FY2026. Overall, the observed changes represent a trend toward more consistent and controlled water quality, with no evidence of increasing contaminant concentrations or adverse trends.

Similar stability was observed at Juna Downs (Table 2-75), with minor increases in calcium carbonate and iron, and decreases in zinc and chloride. These changes are considered typical for the sites and reflect natural variability. For both locations, parameters showed no increasing trend or step-up in concentrations. No known actual or suspected environmental impact occurred because of trigger exceedances and therefore no remedial action was taken in FY2026.

Table 2-74 South Flank Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) injection monitoring FY2025 and FY2026

Parameter	Unit	South Flank Balance Tank (SFMARZ0101)							
		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
		17/07/24	15/07/25	18/12/24	13/10/25	6/02/25	15/01/26	13/04/25	15/04/26
EC	µS/cm	700	670	961	690	750	680	720	690
pH	-	8.2	8.2	7	8.4	7.6	8.3	8.2	8.3
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Barium	mg/L	0.0053	0.0046	0.011	0.0028	0.0043	0.006	0.0045	0.0054
Boron	mg/L	0.26	0.22	0.17	0.23	0.22	0.21	0.22	0.22
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	51	51	38	54	52	51	50	46
Calcium Carbonate**	mg/L	230	260	180	280	240	270	240	240
Chloride	mg/L	54	51	57	54	54	47	56	55
Chromium	mg/L	<0.0005	0.0007	<0.0005	0.0006	0.0007	0.001	0.0006	0.0006
Copper	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0006	0.003	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fluoride	mg/L	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
Iron	mg/L	0.008	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.013	<0.005
Lead	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium	mg/L	34	33	29	37	34	34	34	31
Manganese	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum*	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005

Parameter	Unit	South Flank Balance Tank (SFMARZ0101)							
		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
		17/07/24	15/07/25	18/12/24	13/10/25	6/02/25	15/01/26	13/04/25	15/04/26
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.003	0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	1.9	3.0	1.3	2.1	3.1	3.0	3.2	3.1
Potassium	mg/L	8.2	8.4	6.8	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.4	7.6
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium	mg/L	30	33	29	33	33	35	33	32
Sulphate	mg/L	48	60	53	52	55	53	51	66
TDS	mg/L	420	390	330	400	410	430	400	410
Zinc	mg/L	0.009	0.009	0.19	0.014	0.17	0.011	0.008	0.0160

* Dissolved metals
** Total Alkalinity used

Table 2-75 Juna Downs Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) injection monitoring FY2025 and FY2026

Parameter	Units	Juna Downs (HGSL0005P)							
		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
		2/07/24	27/07/25	1/10/24	3/10/25	27/01/25	21/01/26	21/04/25	03/06/26
EC	µS/cm	700	650	690	620	690	630	640	607
pH	-	7.8	7.66	7.7	7.68	7.8	7.75	8.6	7.67
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	0.009	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Barium	mg/L	0.006	0.0083	0.0059	0.0081	0.0089	0.01	0.01	0.0068
Boron	mg/L	0.21	0.2	0.19	0.2	0.23	0.18	0.21	0.22
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.0001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	52	52	60	50	49	44	49	48
Calcium Carbonate**	mg/L	230	260	230	250	310	220	230	240
Chloride	mg/L	54	40	53	43	47	40	40	37
Chromium	mg/L	<0.001	0.0014	0.0010	0.0014	0.0012	0.0013	0.0020	0.0014
Copper	mg/L	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fluoride	mg/L	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Iron	mg/L	0.012	<0.005	0.019	<0.005	0.012	<0.005	0.023	<0.005
Lead	mg/L	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0010	<0.0005
Magnesium	mg/L	34	32	31	31	32	27	30	29
Manganese	mg/L	0.001	<0.005	0.006	<0.005	0.002	<0.005	0.001	<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum*	mg/L	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrate as NO3	mg/L	3.5	15	4.3	14	5.7	10	14	11
Potassium	mg/L	8.2	8.5	8.3	8.6	8.4	6.7	8.2	8.4
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium	mg/L	32	30	30	28	30	24	28	27
Sulphate	mg/L	47	35	51	37	48	43	43	41
TDS	mg/L	380	360	400	380	390	380	360	380
Zinc	mg/L	<0.005	0.004	0.0093	0.004	0.014	0.005	0.0068	0.006

* Dissolved metals
** Total Alkalinity used

Water levels (Table 2-69) and cumulative volume results for the Juna Downs and South Flank MAR (Table 2-76) are detailed in their respective tables. Most groundwater levels for Coondewanna Flats show generally stable trends in FY2026 with little variation over the review period and seasonal fluctuations. The stable water level in HCF0042M andHCF0023M reflects the isolation of these particular bores from the MAR groundwater aquifer, located on different sides of various structural barriers that crosscut the Coondewanna Flats area. All other bore trends are attributable to the recovery of water levels from higher volumes being injected into the Juna Downs MAR during FY2026 (located south-west of the potable supply production bores). Since February 2025 two new production bores have been commissioned in the Dead-End Deposit and abstraction rates have increased in E-Deposit. Both deposits are at the western end of MAC and close to Coondewanna Flats.

Table 2-76 Monthly Cumulative Volume of Point Source Emissions to Groundwater Juna Downs and South Flank

Monitoring Points	Monthly Cumulative Volume (m^3/day)											
	Jul 25	Aug 25	Sep 25	Oct 25	Nov 25	Dec 25	Jan 26	Feb 26	Mar 26	Apr 26	May 26	Jun 26
HGSL0005	5496.49	5,714.86	5,459.75	5,737.39	6,487.48	4,174.42	563.10	388.89	82.39	763.47	54.19	169.65
HGSL0006	29.43	24.84	22.09	3.51	3.19	1.42	84.51	56.02	9.27	2.36	0.17	0.12
HGSL0014	1,284.15	1,246.89	624.71	11.75	0.79	1.45	436.37	403.24	74.70	943.79	65.92	361.13
HGSL0015	73.87	68.64	69.08	9.45	14.35	6.73	552.23	387.07	65.51	1,178.26	82.56	356.64
HGSL0031	5,972.35	6,267.51	4,744.09	513.41	720.39	346.40	67.94	1,147.29	897.84	3,233.87	204.14	2,576.55
HGSL0032	2,346.23	1,726.99	2,623.87	3,927.00	5,559.44	2,827.81	269.89	9.72	0.00	97.54	6.99	1.72
HGSL0037P	1.69	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.05	0.10
HGSL0038P	101.58	94.64	92.16	12.86	0.80	1.26	0.82	0.12	0.00	3.11	0.22	0.27
HSF5462P	487.70	31.71	131.98	82.48	141.86	653.47	968.28	1,722.79	746.17	2,465.36	305.35	499.87
HSF5463P	378.59	20.44	766.14	118.81	96.57	549.47	364.37	849.99	172.53	1,112.27	736.76	976.01
HSF5464P	2,977.80	2,755.70	1,766.41	279.35	648.30	1,648.05	1,305.33	207.34	4.57	1,221.53	1,168.65	1,082.20
HSF5465P	1,037.78	989.02	1,174.94	711.20	1,642.99	3,280.60	3,750.93	3,779.47	1,634.16	3,303.75	3,180.85	1,665.49

Monitoring Points	Monthly Cumulative Volume (m^3/day)											
	Jul 25	Aug 25	Sep 25	Oct 25	Nov 25	Dec 25	Jan 26	Feb 26	Mar 26	Apr 26	May 26	Jun 26
HSF5466P	99.69	8.28	65.76	9.23	603.63	1,947.35	3,847.39	6,528.01	2,635.57	6,183.57	5,964.68	2,847.03
HSF5467P	1,349.18	2,006.37	1,065.06	609.57	1,622.90	2,136.00	1,636.51	1,935.49	792.07	4,377.97	4,274.97	2,245.86
HSF5469P	1,841.58	713.27	98.40	111.69	298.05	323.63	357.86	1,063.52	528.96	1,746.33	648.26	667.03
HSF5496P	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.15	344.00	1,117.80	1,150.88	396.94	1,865.28	1,734.47	213.21

Condition 26 - The Licence Holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 14 according to the specifications in that table.

Wastewater discharge values are provided in the table below (Table 2-77).

Table 2-77 WWTP Discharge

Emission Reference Point	Volumetric Flow Rate (cumulative) (m^3/day)				
	L1 (Packsaddle Evaporation/infiltration ponds)	L2 (Packsaddle Biomax)	L13/L14	L21	Monthly Cumulative
	Monthly Average (m^3/day	Monthly Average (m3/day)	Monthly Average (m3/day)	Monthly Average (m3/day)	Monthly Total (m3/day)
Limit	**250m^3/day average**	**80m^3/day average**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**1,138m^3**
July	365.97	30.29	135.74	6.14*	531.26
August	82.29	30.19	206.00	6.14*	318.48
September	234.20	32.30	385.83	6.14	652.33
October	142.98	21.16	364.48	4.88	533.51
November	141.98	21.77	323.27	4.48	491.49
December	169.00	31.57	317.53	7.00	525.10
January	189.12	27.20	347.57	11.16	575.05
February	135.40	26.86*	314.50	3.41	426.45
March	166.16	26.86*	287.65	5.32	459.13
April	201.13	23.53	270.20	9.73	504.59
May	221.58	25.74	359.29	4.67	611.20
June	188.71	24.80	319.03	4.65	537.20

* Denotes an estimated reading (refer to non-compliance below and AACR)
NB Condition 3, Table 3. Flow recorded as inflow at Packsaddle WWTP Pond System.
NB Flow recorded at outflow at all other licenced WWTPs.
Limit exceedance

As reported in the AACR:

- L21 flowmeter readings were not collected in the months of July and August, due to administrative issues.
- L2 flowmeter readings were not collected in the months of February and March due to a mechanical fault with the flow meter.

Wastewater quality results have been compared against the *National Water Quality Management Strategy Australian Guidelines for Sewerage Systems – Effluent Management (NWQMS 1997)* (Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand, Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council, 1997) and previous monitoring results. Results across all sample points indicates generally stable performance with some parameter-specific variability. The analysis focuses on recent monitoring years to highlight emerging trends from a broader monitoring program that has been ongoing since 2014.

Sample Point L1, pH, BOD, TSS and TN observed frequent exceedances of their respective targets during the monitoring period. These parameters also observed and increasing trend from Q1 to Q4. TP, however remained below target range (<6mg/L). TN was above target range (<20 mg/L) during the monitoring period however remained in range of typical effluent quality for secondary treated wastewater as per the NWQMS 1997 (20-50 mg/L). BOD was above the target of <20 mg/L and was slight above the NWQMS 1997 typical range of 20-30 mg/L. TSS exceeded the target of <30 mg/L and the NWQMS 1997 typical range of 25-40 mg/L. However, it should be noted that elevated levels of TSS are typical of pond system WWTP's. BHP will continue to monitor the increasing trend of the above-mentioned parameters.

Sample Point L2, BOD, and TSS were generally compliant except exceedances observed in Q1. These parameters observed a downward trend in the preceding quarters; however, pH was slight elevated again in Q4. TN remained above target the target range, however, was within the expected range for secondary treated wastewater as per the NWQMS 1997 (20-50 mg/L). There were elevated levels of *E.coli* during the monitoring period. Treated water from the C150K WWTP discharges into an infiltration pond, where potential exposure to *E.coli* is lessened than irrigation.

Sample Point, L13/14 observed relatively consistent monitoring results during the reporting period. There were elevated levels of TSS, TN, TP and *E.coli* in Q1, however return to target range for the remainder of the monitoring period. TP observed a slight elevation above target range in Q3 (6.1 mg/L).

Sample Point. L21, pH remained within target range throughout the monitoring period, as did TSS. BOD was elevated above target level in Q2 and Q3 (29 and 22 mg/L respectively) however observed below target level in Q4 (17 mg/L). TN exceeded target level and the NWQMS 1997 range in Q2, Q3 and Q4. TP exceeded target level and the NWQMS 1997 range during the monitoring period.

Table 2-78 Emission to Land monitoring – sewage treatment plants

Sample Point Description	Emission Reference Point	Days between sampling	Sample Date	pH (pH units)	BOD (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	TN (mg/L)	TP (mg/L)	E.coli (MPN/100 mL)
	Targets	**45 days**		**6.5-8.5**	**< 20**	**< 30**	**< 20**	**< 6**	**<1,000**
Packsaddle Village WWTP ponds	L1	91	22/07/2025	9.4	21	170	20	5	1,400
		91	21/10/2025	9.7	32	190	20	5.1	10
		91	20/01/2026	9.9	35	230	27	3.8	10
		76	06/04/2026	10.0	43	250	34	5.6	10
Packsaddle Village C150K WWTP	L2	91	22/07/2025	8.1	<5	<5	33	4.4	110,000
		91	21/10/2025	8.4	<5	<5	24	7.3	5,200
		91	20/01/2026	8.5	<5	<5	30	5.5	27,000
		76	06/04/2026	8.7	<5	<5	19	5.2	900
Mulla Mulla Camp WWTP	L13/L14	76	16/07/2025	7.3	6	110	24	6.8	38,000
		84	08/10/2025	7.3	<5	8	2.7	1.3	<1
		89	5/01/2026	7.3	7	9	17	6.1	<1
		105	20/04/2026	7.4	<5	<5	13	2.6	<1
OHP3 Biomax WWTP	L21	75	07/07/2025	7.5	<5	<5	7.9	7.5	42,000
		127	11/11/2025	7.4	29	10	280	30	14,000
		112	03/03/2026	7.3	22	5	210	20	1,300
		90	01/06/2026	7.7	17	8	290	25	3,200

* All levels listed are referenced against National Water Quality Management Strategy Australian Guidelines for Sewerage Systems – Effluent Management

L7

L7 emissions to land continued in FY2026, please refer to Table 2-73 for details monitoring data. In review of the data captured at the L7 emission point in previous reporting years, the TDS at the emission point has remained stable since a slight increase was reported in FY2023.

L6 – South Flank Balance Tank or at the trunk line prior to the discharge point

Emissions to land from emission point L6 commenced on 8 May 2025. Please refer to Table 2-79 for details of L6 emissions to land monitoring data.

Table 2-79 Emissions to Land monitoring – L6 emission point

Sample point	Unit	L6			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Cumulative Volume	m³/day	464.84	466.33	431.67	426.71
pH	-	7.66	7.68	7.75	7.75
Electrical Conductivity	µS/cm	670	690	680	690
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Barium	mg/L	0.0046	0.0028	0.0061	0.0054
Boron	mg/L	0.2	0.2	0.18	0.220
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	52	50	44	46
Calcium Carbonate	mg/L	210	220	230	240
Chloride	mg/L	40	43	40	55
Chromium	mg/L	0.0014	0.0014	0.0013	0.0006
Copper	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fluoride	mg/L	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Iron	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Lead	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium	mg/L	32	31	27	31
Manganese	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrate as NO_3	mg/L	3	2.1	3	3.1
Potassium	mg/L	8.5	8.6	6.7	7.6
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium	mg/L	30	28	24	32
Sulphate	mg/L	35	37	43	66
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	360	380	380	410
Zinc	mg/L	0.004	0.004	0.005	0.0160

L6 – Pebble Mouse Creek Wetting Front Limit Gauging Station

Visual inspections were undertaken at the Pebble Mouse Creek Wetting Front Limit (10.4 km east of L6) to ensure compliance with the Licence condition that discharged water does not leave the approval boundary. No progression of the front was recorded. Throughout FY2026, BHP did not discharge to the creek, except for brief discharges during test pumping.

L12, L16, L18 – A Deposit Turkeys nest or at the trunk line prior to the infiltration/sediment basin

No discharge occurred from L12, L16 and L18 in FY2026. Please refer to Table 2-80 for details of L12 and L18 monitoring data.

Monitoring at the A Deposit Turkey's Nest showed stable trends compared to previous years. In this location, electrical conductivity and pH remained consistent and within expected ranges. A slight decrease was noted in iron. Such variations are considered typical of the local geochemical environment and do not indicate any concerning trends. All parameters remained within acceptable limits for discharge to land, and no environmental impacts were identified.

L4, L5, L8, L9, L10 L15, L19, L20 – E Deposit Turkeys nest or at the trunk line prior to the infiltration/sediment basin

There were no discharges during FY2026. Refer to Table 2-80 for details of monitoring conducted.

Monitoring results were generally consistent with previous years. Electrical conductivity and pH remained stable, and most analytes showed only minor variation. Slight increases were observed in nitrate, while cadmium and iron showed slight decreases. The Hydrogeology team reviewed the monitoring data and considered the results to be reflective of the local geochemical environment and not attributed to any long-term moving or increasing trends.

Table 2-80 Emissions to Land monitoring – quarterly field and hydrochemistry data

Emission Point		L3, L4, L5, L8, L9, L10 & L20				L12, 16 & L18				L15, L16, L17 & L19
Quarter		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Parameter	Unit									
Cumulative volume	m^3/day	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
pH		8.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.2	
EC	µS/cm	610	630	630	640	680	700	670	670	
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.001	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	
Barium	mg/L	0.0095	0.0087	0.0083	0.0076	0.0058	0.0036	0.0052	0.0063	
Boron	mg/L	0.20	0.20	0.19	0.21	0.22	0.23	0.21	0.24	
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	
Calcium	mg/L	49	48	50	48	51	53	53	46	
Calcium Carbonate	mg/L	250	250	250	240	260	280	270	230	
Chloride	mg/L	39	45	37	40	52	56	53	46	
Chromium	mg/L	0.0015	0.0013	0.0015	0.0016	0.0007	<0.0006	0.0008	0.0008	No discharge
Copper	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0007	<0.0005	0.0016	
Fluoride	mg/L	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
Iron	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.007	<0.005	<0.005	0.008	<0.005	
Lead	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	
Magnesium	mg/L	30	31	31	30	33	35	34	29	
Manganese	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.014	0.008	<0.0005	
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.0005	
Molybdenum	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
Nitrate as NO3	mg/L	14	14	9.8	11	1.8	1.9	3.3	4.7	
Potassium	mg/L	8.8	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	7.8	
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
Sodium	mg/L	28	28	29	27	32	32	34	29	
Sulphate	mg/L	46	41	40	46	63	56	47	45	
TDS	mg/L	370	370	400	390	390	400	420	400	
Zinc	mg/L	0.034	0.079	0.005	0.35	0.003	0.010	0.011	0.003	

L3, L4, L5, L8, L9, L10 – Wetting Front Limit Marker SCPH0010

Aerial surveys were conducted monthly and used to help determine the advancement of the wetting front along the creek towards the Wetting Front Limit Marker. To date, the wetting front has not extended beyond 5.4 kilometres west of western infiltration pond; approximately 14 kilometres upstream from the Wetting Front Trigger Marker.

Treated potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater

Please refer to Table 2-72 for treated potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater monitoring data.

Condition 27, Table 15 – Inputs and outputs of waste on premises

Please refer to Table 2-81 for details of the waste inputs and outputs monitoring data. Total amount of waste disposed of is within quantity limits as per L7851/2002/6 Condition 3, Table 3.

Table 2-81 Waste Inputs and Outputs

Waste type	L7851/2002/6 Quantity Limit - Condition 3, Table 3	Total amount disposed of in FY2026
Inert Waste Type 1	25,000 tonnes/year	6,226 t
Inert Waste Type 2		2,926 t
Inert Waste total (tonnes)		9,152 t
Putrescible Waste	5,000 tonnes/year	2,034 t

Condition 29 – The Licence Holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 17 according to the specifications in Table 17.

There were no groundwater level trigger exceedances recorded for FY2026 (refer to Table 2-71).

Electrical conductivity results are presented in Table 2-70, and ambient groundwater monitoring results are summarised in Table 2-83. Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), reflective of the local geochemical environment, showed no deleterious trends during the reporting period (Table 2-82).

Table 2-82 Ambient environmental quality monitoring – TDS

Parameter	TDS (mg/L)			
Date	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
HCF0023M	290	280	280	270
HCF0032M	330	370	380	370
HCF0019M	390	370	380	370
HPSA1633	290	350	240	270

Table 2-83 Ambient environmental quality monitoring – quarterly hydrochemistry data FY2026

Sample Point		HPSA1633				HSF0055M2				HSF5473M			
Parameter		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
pH	-	7.5	7.6	8.03	7.7	7.4	7.7	7.2	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.5	8.0
Electrical Conductivity	µS/cm	380	490	517	450	580	560	560	560	520	490	510	510
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.008	0.008	0.009	0.008	0.012	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.008
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0009	0.0011	0.0010	0.0009	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Barium	mg/L	0.036	0.048	0.040	0.050	0.029	0.028	0.027	0.026	0.0063	0.0085	0.0087	0.011
Boron	mg/L	0.27	0.26	0.27	0.27	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.26	0.24	0.23	0.22	0.27
Calcium Carbonate	mg/L	69	75	71	82	200	190	220	220	200	210	220	220
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	17	24	20	22	54	50	50	50	48	45	40	46
Chloride	mg/L	32	51	37	44	23	27	24	24	23	14	12	12
Chromium	mg/L	0.0038	0.0025	0.0039	0.0026	0.0016	0.0017	0.0018	0.0015	0.0010	0.0011	0.0009	0.0010
Copper	mg/L	0.0010	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0020	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fluoride	mg/L	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Iron	mg/L	0.022	0.007	0.017	0.014	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	0.010
Lead	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium	mg/L	8.8	13	11	12	20	20	19	19	20	21	18	20
Manganese	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0008	0.0013	0.0011	0.0010	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrate	mg/L	43	49	33	44	17	18	18	18	11	11	11	11
Potassium	mg/L	6.9	7.6	7.6	7.2	16	15	15	14	15	14	12	14
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Sodium	mg/L	32	32	36	33	17	16	16	16	15	14	13	13
Sulphate	mg/L	17	25	25	24	14	18	15	15	14	10	8	8
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	290	350	240	270	360	310	270	310	290	290	280	280
Zinc	mg/L	0.005	0.002	0.003	0.009	0.005	<0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	0.002

Table 2-83 Ambient environmental quality monitoring – quarterly hydrochemistry data FY2025 (continued)

Sample Point		HSF5482M or HSF0054M or HSF5614M				HSF5494M				HSF5480M			
Parameter		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
pH	-	7.4	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.3	7.2	7.6	7.8	7.6
Electrical Conductivity	µS/cm	560	570	590	530	610	620	640	650	380	360	350	360
Aluminium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Barium	mg/L	0.022	0.013	0.015	0.0072	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0002	0.0015	0.0011	0.0008	0.0006
Boron	mg/L	0.28	0.26	0.27	0.31	0.25	0.23	0.24	0.28	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.21
Calcium Carbonate	mg/L	220	220	250	250	230	240	250	240	160	170	170	170
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Calcium	mg/L	48	45	41	45	46	49	43	50	36	34	28	32
Chloride	mg/L	21	25	23	26	29	31	27	29	6	7	6	6
Chromium	mg/L	0.0029	0.0029	0.0028	0.0027	0.0027	0.0026	0.0029	0.0024	0.066	0.074	0.081	0.079
Copper	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fluoride	mg/L	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6
Iron	mg/L	0.010	0.015	0.007	0.007	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Lead	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Magnesium	mg/L	23	25	21	23	27	29	25	28	18	19	15	17
Manganese	mg/L	0.013	0.014	0.021	0.008	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum	mg/L	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	0.0012	0.0014	0.0013	0.0011
Nickel	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrate	mg/L	11	9.9	9.1	7.5	6.4	5.1	6.6	6.4	3.4	3.7	3.7	3.8
Potassium	mg/L	14	13	12	13	10	11	10	12	4.6	4.3	3.9	4.5
Selenium	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.003
Sodium	mg/L	25	25	22	29	29	28	25	29	7.1	7	6.5	6.5
Sulphate	mg/L	18	19	19	22	28	32	29	31	6	8	7	7
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	360	330	330	320	350	360	350	330	210	190	190	180
Zinc	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	0.002

Condition 30 – The Licence Holder must implement ambient environmental quality monitoring detailed in Table 18 if the depth to groundwater level trigger specified in Table 17 for the relevant monitoring points specified in Table 17 is exceeded.

Ambient groundwater level monitoring detailed in Table 2-71 did not exceed groundwater level triggers specified in Condition 29, Table 17 during the FY2026 reporting period

Condition 31 - The Licence Holder must implement the Packsaddle Infiltration Ponds Vegetation Monitoring Program as detailed in Table 19 during the Packsaddle Infiltration Overtopping trial as required by condition 11, Table 6.

The Packsaddle Infiltration Ponds Vegetation Monitoring Program was established in 2020 and conducted biannually, once during the wet season (~November) and dry season (~May). The program monitors the following parameters to the frequency outlined in Table 19 in L7851/2002/6:

- tree health;
- tree regeneration;
- weed presences and cover;
- site condition;
- climate and weather.

A total of 41 sites were installed and monitored as part of baseline and ongoing monitoring of the program (Schedule 1 of L7851/2002/6). Potential impact sites were located to cover both the inner portion of the projected wetting zone (Inner Zones), near the centre of the projected flow path and the outer portion of the wetting (Outer Zones), near the edge of the projected flow path. Reference sites were located outside of the project wetting zone.

Tree health

Tree health is determined through the rating of keystone species using an appropriate rating system for Australian trees i.e. crown extent and crown density to derive a Crown Condition Score (CCS). At each monitoring site, trees are visually assessed using the CCS (0 to 9), outlined in Souter et al. (2009)[2]. A CCS of zero corresponds to no leaves and a score of nine corresponds to a tree that has maximum crown extent and crown density[3].

Mean CCS of sample trees ranged from 2.2 to 5.9 within the inner potential impact zone, 1.6 to 6.8 within the outer potential impact zone and 1.1 to 6.0 within the reference zone in April 2026. Reference site 3R continued to record the lowest mean CCS of all the monitoring sites (1.1), where six of the nine *A. aptaneura* monitoring trees have died due to fire damage sustained in late 2020. This site was excluded from statistical analyses.

A significant decline in CCS ($P < 0.05$) since the end of the baseline period, relative to pooled reference sites, was recorded at six potential impact sites: 6I, 6O, 8O, 13I, 13O and 14I. Mean CCS has decreased by more than three points at two potential impact sites: outer potential impact site 13O and inner potential impact site 14I. Outer potential impact site 13O has declined from 5.0 in baseline to 1.6 in April 2026, and inner potential impact site 14I has declined from 5.4 in baseline to 2.3 in April 2026. Therefore, the trigger criterion for visual assessment of tree health was exceeded in April 2026. This trigger criterion was also exceeded in November 2025 for 13O and 14I.

Site 14I is the closest inner potential impact site to the Packsaddle infiltration ponds and was previously impacted by discharge water; surface water has not been evident at this site since November/December 2023. Outer potential impact site 13O has continually declined since May 2020 and four tree deaths have been recorded at this site, which were first recorded in November 2022 and most recently in April 2026. Negative change is unlikely to be attributed to discharge as this site is much further downstream, including downstream of sites 1, 2 and 3, and outside the known discharge wetting front. Mean CCS did not decline by more than two points at sites 6I (-1.25), 6O (-1.6), 8O (-2) or 13I (-1.5) between baseline and April 2026, and trees at these sites appear in average health with mean CCS of 3.8, 3.4, 3.4 and 3.5, respectively. The decline in tree health within these sites is likely attributable to natural processes, as these sites are located downstream of the discharge wetting front.

For the remaining sites, mean CCS has remained stable with only slight increases or decreases since baseline (a change in CCS of 2 or less), with no clear difference overall between zones. There have also been no substantial increases in CCS mean between baseline and April 2026, the largest increase was a change of CCS of 1.1 at inner potential impact site 1I.

[2] Souter N. J., Watts R. A., White M. G., George A. K. and McNicol K. J. (2009). Method Manual for the Visual Assessment of Lower River Murray Floodplain Trees. River Red Gum (Eucalyptus camaldulensis). DWLBC Report 2009/15, Government of South Australia through Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation, Adelaide.

[3] Crown extent refers to the amount of foliage on the outer edge of the crown while the crown density refers to the amount of foliage within the crown boundary.

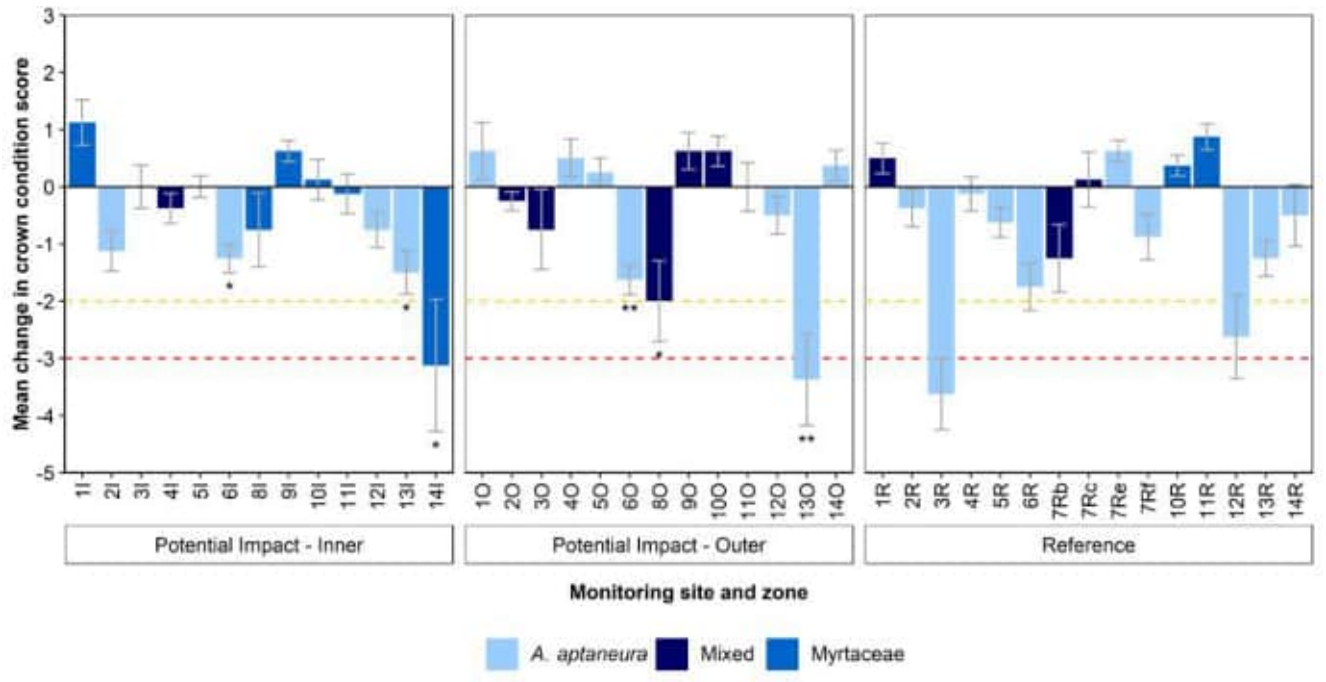


Figure 2-3 Percentage change in Crown Condition Score (>2m stratum height) from baseline studies – March 2019 to June 2026

Species Regeneration

Regeneration of target species was evident within all zones in April 2026, but only for three species: *A. aptaneura*, *E. victrix* and *E. xerothermica* (Table 2-84). Regeneration of *A. aptaneura* was the most abundant throughout the Survey Area, with a total of eight seedlings and 18 saplings recorded, followed by *E. xerothermica* with three seedlings and 11 saplings. Only one *E. victix* sapling was recorded at reference site 7R. No *C. deserticola, C. hamersleyana* and *E. camaldulensis* seedlings or saplings were recorded, and no seedlings of *E. victrix* were recorded.

Species regeneration since baseline has mostly decreased or remained the same across all zones, and there was no evident trend in seedling and sapling mortality across zone types. The largest declines were recorded for *A. aptaneura* seedlings within inner and outer potential impact sites, *A. aptaneura* saplings within outer potential impact sites and reference sites, and *E. xerothermica* seedlings within outer potential impact sites.

Though some declines likely represent seedling and sapling mortality that may be attributed to seasonal variation, some declines in the total seedlings and saplings recorded can also be due to individuals maturing beyond the classification criteria for a seedling or a sapling. In particular, the majority of *A. aptaneura* seedling declines within inner potential impact sites and *E. xerothermica* seedling declines within outer potential impact sites are due to seedlings maturing into saplings. Declines in the total saplings of *A. aptaneura* and *E. victrix* are not linked to discharge effects, given they are situated downstream of the wetting front. Declines in *C. hamersleyana* seedlings at site 14I could be attributed to historical discharge patterns as seedlings have not been recorded at this site since baseline.

Table 2-84 Species regeneration within each zone (Inner, Outer and Reference) since baseline monitoring*

NB Species regeneration for FY2024-2026 reporting periods against the baseline species numbers. The number of seedlings and saplings of keystone species within each zone (Inner, Outer and Reference) are presented in the table. Note that all seedlings within 1 metre and saplings within 2 metres of the site transects were counted.

Family	Species	Zone	Number of Seedlings								Number of Saplings							
			Baseline		FY2024		FY2025		FY2026		Baseline		FY2024		FY2025		FY2026	
			Mar 19	Sep 19	Dec 23	May 24	Dec 24	May 25	Nov 25	Apr 26	Mar 19	Sep 19	Dec 23	May 24	Dec 24	May 25	Nov 25	Apr 26
Fabaceae	*Acacia aptaneura* complexes (mulga)	Inner	17	15	15	12	0	6	7	6	5	5	3	3	1	8	8	9
		Outer	10	7	7	4	3	1	1	0	10	11	7	5	4	7	7	7
		Reference	3	4	4	6	4	4	4	2	17	14	11	9	6	1	1	2
		All	30	26	26	25	7	11	12	8	32	30	21	17	11	16	16	18
Myrtaceae	*Corymbia hamersleyana*	Inner	5	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Outer	7	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA	8	11	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA
		Reference	1	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA	1	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA
		All	13	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Eucalyptus camaldulensis	Inner	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Outer	0	0	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	0	0	0	0	0
		Reference	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA
		All	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Eucalyptus victrix	Inner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Outer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Reference	0	0	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	n/a	3	3	3	3	1
		All	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	3	3	3	3	1
	Corymbia deserticola	Inner	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Outer	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA
		Reference	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA	n/a	n/a	3	n/a	n/a	n/a	NA	NA
		All	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Eucalyptus xerothermica	Inner	0	0	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
		Outer	7	7	6	4	3	1	2	2	8	11	9	10	7	11	10	10
		Reference	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
		All	8	8	8	6	5	2	3	3	9	12	10	10	7	12	11	11
Chenopodiaceae	*Rhagodia* sp. Hamersley (M.Trudgen. 17794)	Inner	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Outer	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Reference	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		All	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All species		**Inner**	**23**	**22**	**15**	**14**	**2**	**7**	**7**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**3**	**3**	**1**	**9**	**9**	**10**
		Outer	**17**	**14**	**12**	**8**	**6**	**2**	**1**	**2**	**18**	**22**	**16**	**15**	**11**	**18**	**17**	**17**
		Reference	**4**	**5**	**6**	**6**	**4**	**4**	**4**	**2**	**23**	**20**	**15**	**12**	**9**	**4**	**4**	**3**
		All	**44**	**41**	**33**	**28**	**12**	**13**	**15**	**11**	**47**	**48**	**34**	**30**	**21**	**31**	**30**	**30**

Weed presence and cover

There was no weed taxa recorded along any monitoring transects within the Survey Area in April 2026 (Table 2-85). In the post-dry season monitoring survey in November 2025, three weed taxa, **Bidens bipinnata, *Cenchrus* spp. and **Malvastrum americanum*, were recorded within 1 m of monitoring transects within the potential impact and reference zones. The decline in weed species occurrence since the previous monitoring survey likely reflects the below-average rainfall recorded across the 2025-2026 wet season. A total of eight weed taxa have been recorded within the Survey Area since monitoring commenced in March 2019.

Table 2-85 Weed species richness recorded within 1 m of the transect in the baseline period (FY2019) and during the FY2025 and FY2026 monitoring periods

Zone	Survey	Survey Date	Weed Species								
			**Bidens bipinnata*	**Cenchrus* spp.	**Chloris barbata*	**Cucumis myriocarpus*	**Erigeron bonariensis*	**Lactuca serriola*	**Malvastrum americanum*	**Sonchus oleraceus*	Total
Potential Impact – Inner	Baseline	Mar-19	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
		Sep-19	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
	FY2024	Dec-23	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**
		May-24	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**5**
	FY2025	Dec-24	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	**5**
		May-25	0	1	0	0	1	1	4	0	**6**
	FY2026	Nov-25	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	**5**
		Apr-26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Potential Impact – Outer	Baseline	Mar-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
		Sep-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
	FY2024	Dec-23	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**
		May-24	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**3**
	FY2025	Dec-24	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	**7**
		May-25	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	**6**
	FY2026	Nov-25	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	**4**
		Apr-26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Reference	Baseline	Mar-19	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**
		Sep-19	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
	FY2024	Dec-23	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
		May-24	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**3**
	FY2025	Dec-24	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	**5**
		May-25	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	**7**
	FY2026	Nov-25	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	**6**
		Apr-26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Weeds recorded											

* *Cenchrus* spp. contains recorded individuals of both **C. ciliaris* and **C. setiger*. These two species are very similar in appearance when vegetative and can only be identified in the field by the differences in reproductive material, which is not always present. Both species are classified as having the same impact level on the environment so, for ease of identification, all individuals recorded are listed as **Cenchrus* spp.

Site Condition

In April 2026, vegetation condition was rated as Good to Excellent across all monitoring sites (Table 2-86). There was no clear difference among zones, and overall, vegetation condition has either increased or remained the same at all sites since baseline.

Evidence of recent fire (within the last 12 months) was absent across all monitoring sites in April 2026 (Table 2-86). Evidence of grazing was also absent across all monitoring sites in April 2026 except at outer potential impact site 8O, where grazing impacts were rated as sparse (Table 2-86). Grazing impacts have substantially decreased since baseline when they were rated as mostly sparse and common. Surface water was also absent at all sites (Table 2-86), which reflects the below-average rainfall received across the 2025 - 2026 wet season.

Table 2-86 Site Condition Ratings for monitoring sites

Site ID	Site Type	Vegetation Conditions							Fire						
		Baseline	FY2024		FY2025		FY2026		Baseline	FY2024		FY2025		FY2026	
			Dec-22	May-23	Dec-23	May-24	Nov-25	Apr-26		Dec-23	May-24	Dec-24	May-25	Nov-25	Apr-26
1I	Inner	Poor	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
1O	Outer	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
1R	Reference	Poor	Very Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2I	Inner	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2O	Outer	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3I	Inner	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3O	Outer	Poor	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4I	Inner	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4O	Outer	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5I	Inner	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5O	Outer	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
6I	Inner	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	-	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
6O	Outer	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	-	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
6R	Reference	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	-	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rb	Reference	Good	Very Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rc	Reference	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Re	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rf	Reference	Very Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
8I	Inner	Good	Very Good	Degraded	Poor	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
8O	Outer	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Poor	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
9I	Inner	Very Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
9O	Outer	Good	Good	Good	Poor	Good	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
10I	Inner	Good	Very Good	Degraded	-	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
10O	Outer	Good	Good	Good	-	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
10R	Reference	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
11I	Inner	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
11O	Outer	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
11R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
12I	Inner	Good	Good	Good	-	Poor	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
12O	Outer	Very Good	Good	Good	-	Poor	Good	Very Good	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
12R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Degraded	-	Good	Very Good	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13I	Inner	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	-	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13O	Outer	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	-	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13R	Reference	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	-	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
14I	Inner	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
14O	Outer	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
14R	Reference	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent

Table 2-86 Site Condition Ratings for monitoring sites (continued)

Site ID	Site Type	Grazing							Surface Water						
		Baseline	FY2024		FY2025		FY2025		Baseline	FY2024		FY2025		FY2025	
			Dec-23	May-24	Dec-24	May-25	25-Nov	26-Apr		Dec-23	May-24	Dec-24	May-25	25-Nov	26-Apr
1I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
1O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
1R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
2R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
3R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
4R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
5R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
6I	Inner	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
6O	Outer	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
6R	Reference	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rb	Reference	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rc	Reference	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Re	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
7Rf	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
8I	Inner	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Sparse	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent
8O	Outer	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Sparse	Sparse	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
9I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
9O	Outer	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Scarce	Absent	Absent	Absent
10I	Inner	Common	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Common	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
10O	Outer	Common	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
10R	Reference	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
11I	Inner	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Abundant	Absent	Absent	Absent
11O	Outer	Common	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
11R	Reference	Common	Absent	Sparse	Scarce	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
12I	Inner	Common	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
12O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
12R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13I	Inner	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
13R	Reference	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	-	Absent	Absent	Absent
14I	Inner	Scarce*	Sparse	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
14O	Outer	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
14R	Reference	Scarce*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent

SCPH0009 and SCPH0010

Surface water monitoring stations, SCPH0009 and SCPH0010, are located along the Early Warning Point "Trigger" and Wetting Front Limit "Threshold" points downstream of the Eastern Packsaddle Infiltration Pond. Gauging stations located at the Early Warning Point (SCPH0009) and Wetting Front Limit (SCPH0010) continuously monitor (via telemetry) relative water levels for the presence of stream flow events. Refer to Figure 2-4 for the relative water levels (mRL) at both the Early Wetting Point and Wetting Front Limit gauging stations from July 2026 - June 2026. As shown in Figure 2-4, SCPH0009 was offline for most of the last quarter of FY2026 due to a fault. As SCPH0010 is downstream of SCPH0009 and SCPH0010 did not record the presence of a significant amount of water, it is not expected that the fault had a material impact.

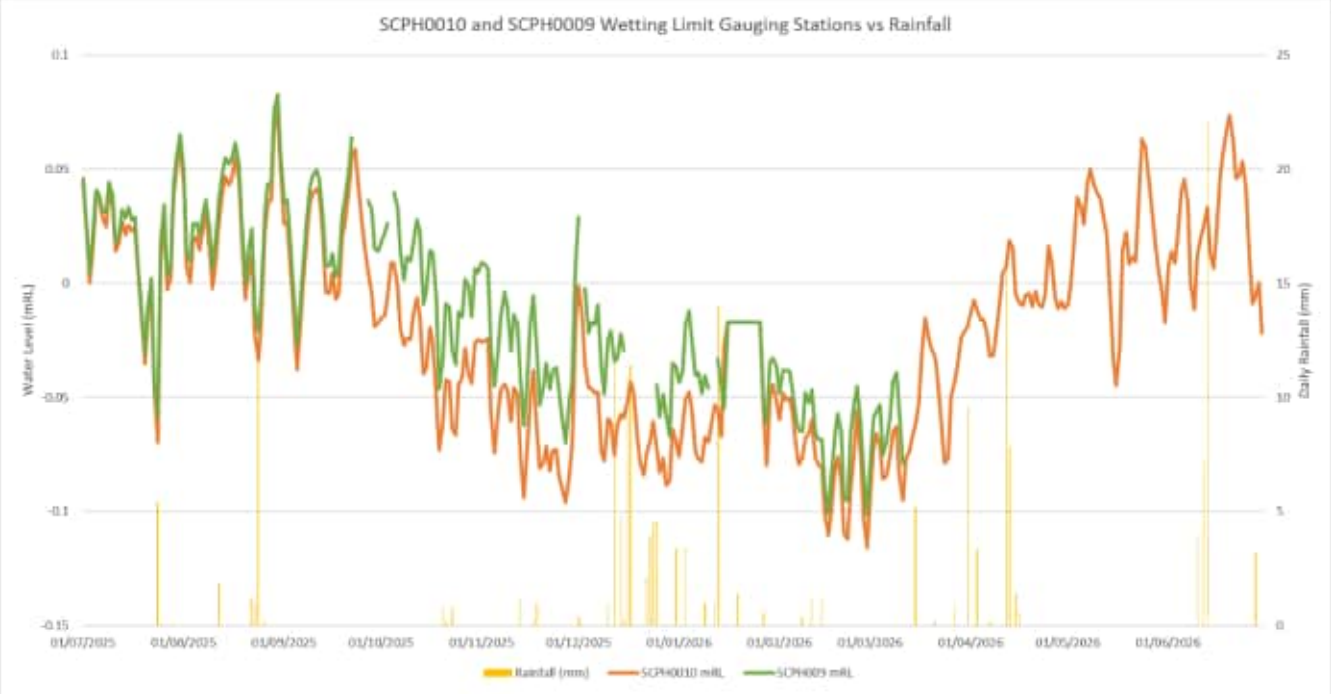


Figure 2-4 Gauging Stations SCPH0009 (Early Warning) and SCPH0010 (Wetting Limit) water levels (mRL) and monthly rainfall totals for FY2026
Rainfall totals retrieved from the Coondewanna Aerodrome, station number IDW60801 (Bureau of Meteorology 2024).

Climate and Weather

Total rainfall received at the Newman Aerodrome for the reporting period (July 2025 to June 2026) was 144.4 mm, 167.8 mm below the annual long-term mean, and 205 mm less than FY2025 (Figure 2-5).

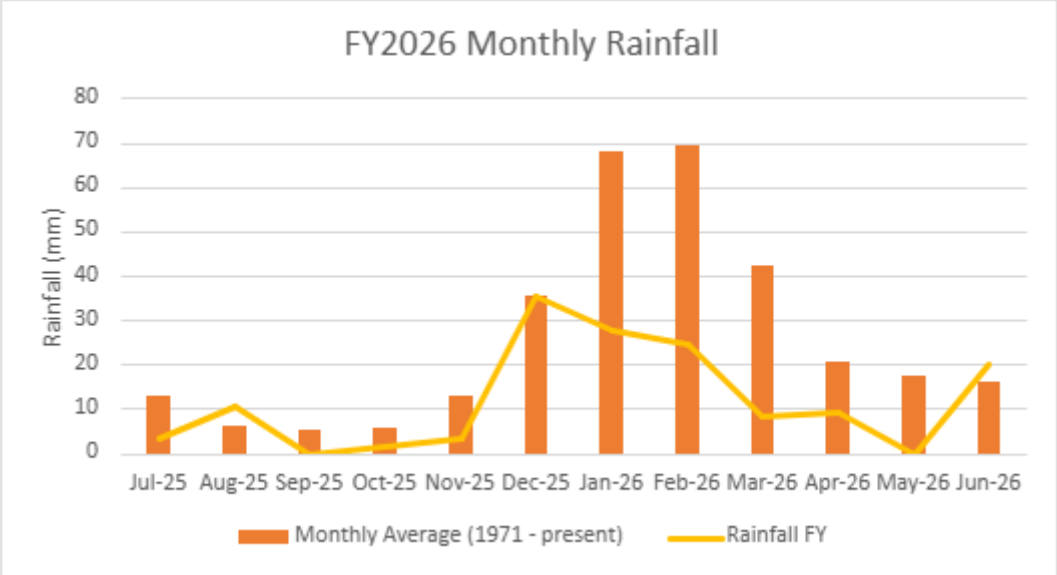


Figure 2-5 FY2026 monthly rainfall at Newman Aerodrome, station number 007176

Condition 32 - The Licence Holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 20 according to the specifications in Table 20.

PM_{10} data continued to be collected at the four BAM locations (SFAQRT001, SFAQRT002, SFAQRT004, and ACAQRT005) throughout FY2026 Daily average PM_{10} concentration information is summarised in Table 2-87.

Table 2-87 PM_{10} daily average per month across SFAQRT001, SFAQRT002, SFAQRT004 and ACAQRT005

	Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005		Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005
	Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)					Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)			
Jul-25	1	248.71	329.29	137.38	114.00	Aug-25	1	236.17	119.92	48.54	83.33
	2	200.29	219.79	209.38	114.17		2	190.67	83.63	108.25	58.00
	3	158.38	87.54	178.38	49.79		3	12.88	11.58	41.96	9.13
	4	24.67	27.67	12.63	29.88		4	116.67	142.04	28.92	61.25
	5	136.83	122.58	74.58	77.79		5	201.54	175.13	101.21	99.75
	6	338.71	379.08	113.33	129.04		6	139.25	138.63	126.46	76.92
	7	178.59	236.52	178.04	82.71		7	210.33	199.88	76.29	48.88
	8	74.58	72.79	34.00	72.95		8	123.88	205.33	84.42	94.46
	9	82.75	64.75	10.46	75.21		9	174.42	192.23	247.46	97.79
	10	159.00	179.83	68.23	38.67		10	105.29	118.96	174.13	49.88
	11	267.50	186.92	83.08	101.08		11	40.75	82.96	6.58	63.13
	12	209.04	268.08	183.50	125.83		12	84.33	83.46	48.63	39.21
	13	174.33	237.17	214.96	109.04		13	119.33	180.29	122.46	89.83
	14	166.79	170.96	79.33	43.58		14	83.29	84.21	102.38	61.79
	15	98.54	119.50	28.83	36.46		15	80.50	94.75	22.08	39.50
	16	111.38	141.96	45.29	61.83		16	178.33	104.46	53.88	58.67
	17	113.54	175.63	39.83	64.21		17	174.13	143.38	64.67	74.75
	18	104.46	183.00	55.96	65.17		18	255.04	118.83	86.46	89.96
	19	174.13	163.63	159.54	77.13		19	152.96	157.08	257.63	69.63
	20	156.96	129.91	302.25	109.75		20	77.21	147.71	466.87	39.71
	21	17.17	13.17	16.38	34.75		21	18.50	56.63	125.83	32.54
	22	230.33	203.42	33.96	77.79		22	29.92	25.04	32.79	25.88
	23	115.42	264.29	90.79	79.75		23	30.42	38.42	85.88	42.79
	24	8.42	6.78	19.96	6.96		24	2.88	1.71	34.21	4.50
	25	10.83	15.46	4.46	25.75		25	5.71	6.79	27.46	6.46
	26	91.71	71.50	28.92	62.67		26	10.13	8.25	8.17	13.42
	27	78.63	59.29	102.04	74.58		27	24.79	15.29	2.79	68.29
	28	18.17	15.21	23.33	30.88		28	14.75	10.96	7.21	85.96
	29	12.25	11.67	7.67	28.46		29	94.79	88.00	12.63	69.58
	30	23.92	21.38	9.96	49.38		30	104.71	120.46	17.00	59.75
	31	85.58	73.58	27.75	35.33		31	125.67	183.38	48.21	52.08
Sep-25	1	100.92	148.13	121.54	125.58	Oct-25	1	168.00	172.42	138.38	66.71
	2	134.83	135.67	152.92	121.29		2	227.83	222.33	126.75	56.00
	3	144.46	159.83	227.46	159.71		3	54.21	100.42	97.04	101.79
	4	16.08	54.96	25.92	16.79		4	12.79	63.50	31.13	19.88
	5	44.00	57.83	237.25	27.96		5	16.63	27.75	11.92	14.29
	6	11.67	9.13	21.38	13.17		6	43.33	47.33	21.71	32.46
	7	17.29	54.29	26.25	23.75		7	28.88	39.96	17.58	35.54
	8	22.25	63.58	16.13	40.83		8	23.25	28.13	6.08	57.42
	9	46.46	50.54	5.00	73.13		9	92.17	92.75	34.67	36.46
	10	110.00	124.38	30.17	51.33		10	76.38	173.00	129.42	71.54
	11	125.33	136.83	32.33	36.04		11	22.92	63.33	33.75	104.79
	12	207.17	161.17	99.75	78.79		12	59.75	101.33	24.54	29.92
	13	139.96	187.00	271.29	210.25		13	68.58	135.46	35.58	86.08
	14	45.83	79.54	227.58	45.25		14	44.92	67.42	79.42	102.08
	15	14.25	14.38	12.33	21.63		15	168.88	144.71	79.54	87.50
	16	92.08	96.88	69.61	66.46		16	226.04	191.79	59.33	162.33
	17	171.82	255.45	165.29	119.50		17	201.46	275.29	321.04	180.71
	18	61.54	120.63	58.13	65.96		18	31.75	114.96	258.92	129.33
	19	66.13	103.46	11.79	67.00		19	66.42	97.75	103.00	24.88
	20	115.92	175.33	21.79	62.29		20	14.58	38.83	34.42	49.29
	21	116.00	171.04	24.33	70.21		21	21.00	54.08	14.79	16.00
	22	186.75	200.96	48.08	121.67		22	133.46	112.63	57.88	62.25
	23	172.17	160.29	40.83	80.04		23	59.67	58.63	193.21	75.42
	24	158.50	200.88	29.67	60.00		24	13.00	56.96	129.50	28.54
	25	113.79	159.63	205.00	109.33		25	36.92	84.00	18.21	21.88
	26	165.92	137.61	228.88	100.83		26	109.88	100.38	33.29	83.04
	27	77.46	111.13	30.54	80.58		27	205.58	163.71	58.63	51.04
	28	74.33	117.08	305.00	86.63		28	198.54	178.88	171.38	124.21
	29	48.29	92.00	69.50	66.83		29	72.75	113.58	195.38	81.54
	30	70.13	80.67	26.63	72.54		30	35.42	77.25	23.46	24.92
							31	66.13	99.67	108.17	77.00
Nov-25	1	13.17	47.67	39.08	41.47	Dec-25	1	71.46	68.25	46.17	73.15
	2	70.88	57.38	13.45	106.82		2	132.54	105.54	154.92	71.51
	3	274.88	271.17	73.50	111.65		3	284.54	234.29	214.04	206.72
	4	111.67	140.54	209.88	74.49		4	73.54	108.71	141.71	123.91
	5	17.08	12.50	85.75	15.37		5	43.88	66.63	45.25	18.59
	6	17.00	17.83	19.50	23.66		6	36.08	57.63	30.79	88.15
	7	63.54	66.33	28.29	69.45		7	172.46	151.08	55.21	154.82
	8	188.13	175.25	47.38	92.76		8	213.38	209.42	205.63	124.47
	9	289.39	207.50	60.50	158.00		9	63.38	67.00	156.46	50.42
	10	66.13	95.04	98.83	53.47		10	40.25	121.79	215.13	66.29
	11	152.88	164.50	247.38	113.24		11	35.96	80.58	212.17	35.65

	Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005		Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005
	Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)					Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)			
	12	23.21	31.38	197.63	20.30		12	100.67	134.13	140.29	59.64
	13	110.46	134.75	153.00	15.70		13	152.88	107.71	52.17	76.46
	14	22.67	32.67	116.88	20.85		14	94.71	74.83	55.75	64.08
	15	90.63	135.38	128.08	94.42		15	66.54	86.63	45.25	42.31
	16	178.67	140.71	135.88	102.24		16	33.29	37.71	62.08	23.72
	17	373.08	146.23	80.83	118.65		17	142.58	96.38	18.58	53.62
	18		60.08	107.92	33.72		18	86.58	160.96	63.29	123.89
	19		50.71	152.96	20.02		19	47.46	57.13	86.63	40.36
	20	12.45	34.13	59.50	15.66		20	51.96	30.17	46.42	74.38
	21	29.00	30.83	37.17	21.19		21	75.38	88.50	22.75	72.26
	22	60.33	108.96	151.88	56.99		22	142.54	123.75	31.63	68.87
	23	11.21	28.96	39.00	14.63		23	71.79	72.42	59.21	39.92
	24	43.04	63.04	19.08	88.66		24	86.96	66.33	51.08	76.94
	25	41.96	64.25	27.96	109.93		25	83.21	71.21	39.63	74.95
	26	98.21	117.83	29.88	115.81		26	76.17	82.04	92.96	106.03
	27	140.25	189.29	128.33	89.64		27	13.38	21.50	25.88	31.23
	28	51.83	80.46	82.88	48.32		28	13.75	32.00	76.83	21.49
	29	157.08	181.88	169.75	48.38		29	80.13	86.58	120.58	71.95
	30	225.83	195.63	55.00	87.04		30	78.21	96.25	60.96	71.27
							31	38.54	67.00	12.88	47.44
Jan-26	1	70.13	97.88	33.71	66.71	Feb-26	1	101.92	99.33	69.10	98.47
	2	98.63	105.71	41.88	90.15		2	123.71	109.88	31.46	86.38
	3	222.08	102.29	81.42	65.07		3	132.38	211.83	37.58	119.11
	4	220.00	226.71	87.50	96.33		4	136.54	183.71	130.83	105.27
	5	366.92	256.63	168.29	160.35		5	194.17	208.63	132.40	99.60
	6	228.14	138.63	169.33	303.62		6	192.58	251.13	122.39	92.02
	7	79.54	64.87	44.09	155.87		7	134.33	153.63	43.29	63.47
	8	94.04	131.50	124.33	68.47		8	56.13	83.04	46.05	44.34
	9	230.17	327.04	479.00	211.51		9	24.13	68.04	72.17	25.60
	10	83.58	138.00	63.58	56.11		10	21.79	26.71	112.86	15.48
	11	119.13	167.46	63.71	62.47		11	3.63	5.79	36.91	11.51
	12	34.54	40.67	41.96	29.31		12	90.13	96.46	24.63	64.05
	13	9.63	18.83	26.46	11.51		13	49.92	58.88	46.38	37.37
	14	92.00	94.58	41.82	79.17		14	29.79	33.38	16.54	27.22
	15	111.71	166.63	84.80	64.53		15	23.21	35.88	18.38	21.19
	16	64.46	104.79	23.35	38.65		16	23.92	30.00	12.13	39.81
	17	85.17	124.13	90.88	90.68		17	81.42	81.88	44.67	46.74
	18	134.33	135.13	96.08	104.49		18	106.50	165.79	18.53	61.99
	19	95.17	107.79	45.08	83.59		19	72.00	102.79	6.04	52.89
	20	171.67	180.79	47.17	119.35		20	50.33	70.75	5.28	33.71
	21	234.92	227.63	25.86	113.13		21	76.50	94.83	13.21	48.96
	22	227.50	170.92	108.81	67.35		22	118.58	151.50	45.75	83.60
	23	57.21	98.50	109.33	40.01		23	63.08	79.50	15.15	54.13
	24	46.58	68.04	101.28	30.13		24	90.79	102.58	15.21	44.59
	25	85.96	98.54	67.25	55.75		25	91.33	93.29	12.95	60.35
	26	77.21	63.83	23.70	53.04		26	112.88	113.42	25.19	71.24
	27	23.63	44.21	18.96	76.38		27	96.04	95.29	20.25	70.44
	28	139.58	130.25	38.33	76.94		28	125.46	113.00	54.70	61.97
	29	103.38	131.50	44.36	55.61						
	30	95.42	88.38	22.21	51.01						
	31	119.54	98.46	48.48	79.92						
Mar-26	1	251.00	198.96	22.46	104.76	Apr-26	1	77.04	116.24	40.67	60.12
	2	137.21	189.79	16.85	72.75		2	118.04	64.45	88.54	42.39
	3	131.33	157.08	34.88	89.72		3	27.46	114.50	73.33	28.66
	4	117.88	178.04	21.83	55.08		4	19.04	83.75	154.00	19.38
	5	204.17	182.79	25.44	58.97		5	25.33	43.63	39.71	32.50
	6	154.38	112.13	30.96	75.49		6	29.67	47.22	58.79	43.42
	7	240.38	126.04	51.15	42.48		7	8.17	59.94	90.38	17.06
	8	173.58	201.25	24.00	72.33		8	46.42	125.00	94.08	14.60
	9	143.75	166.04	33.75	67.74		9	84.71	205.96	122.50	44.38
	10	177.42	192.75	122.30	120.15		10	145.50	180.92	100.17	86.74
	11	62.83	66.71	25.83	116.42		11	80.08	77.33	22.58	47.42
	12	129.08	149.21	38.22	115.21		12	39.13	23.08	8.50	17.23
	13	73.71	119.96	36.42	51.94		13	27.63	20.38	13.63	19.42
	14	64.08	55.46	58.50	64.77		14	61.61	43.00	17.13	43.37
	15	106.13	93.71	63.36	76.60		15	53.83	51.88	34.29	50.96
	16	113.17	87.21	29.54	65.02		16	45.13	53.88	63.33	38.33
	17	150.25	114.13	11.79	61.36		17	23.04	87.29	87.21	48.75
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	23	179.46	266.33	60.21	95.03		23	181.42	135.42	163.67	134.71
	24	252.63	125.20	42.29	137.33		24	97.71	118.63	182.38	48.13
	25	305.33	176.43	46.92	113.85		25	83.71	99.96	39.92	40.21
	26	215.54	115.59	24.25	93.66		26	339.17	214.33	61.13	116.58
	27	45.75	126.94	83.58	62.90		27	384.00	302.83	139.92	97.92
	28	14.29	63.88	57.96	16.24		28	225.04	290.46	181.21	127.54
	29	13.88	42.13	78.63	15.63		29	343.08	301.75	123.25	73.08
	30	14.46	25.44	74.92	12.03		30	167.54	191.08	341.71	50.75
	31	13.79	20.50	12.92	26.94						

	Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005		Monitor	SFAQRT001	SFAQRT002	SFAQRT004	ACAQRT005
	Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)					Day	Daily Average PM_{10} (µg/m³)			
May-26	1	65.67	77.92	71.88	75.00	Jun-26	1	23.21	29.54	31.63	47.25
	2	150.79	161.63	16.42	82.63		2	65.63	78.42	34.09	56.04
	3	184.17	289.75	30.38	54.63		3	129.75	77.04	36.33	44.71
	4	176.21	243.63	36.71	57.26		4	181.46	94.54	45.38	71.54
	5	151.29	244.29	28.63	47.83		5	154.63	121.08	79.54	88.50
	6	165.71	193.25	22.88	47.17		6	129.54	118.38	74.33	80.08
	7	265.92	384.54	49.08	46.17		7	105.00	122.67	65.79	77.79
	8	159.46	200.83	29.38	26.88		8	45.79	70.38	180.54	78.17
	9	186.38	247.63	42.46	40.42		9	6.79	27.92	61.08	12.96
	10	172.79	321.29	56.33	41.75		10	32.96	176.00	65.46	7.75
	11	193.17	242.58	45.83	58.00		11	29.46	107.96	74.63	14.92
	12	232.38	236.63	118.58	67.13		12	10.13	10.29	15.79	13.96
	13	156.38	173.00	86.38	40.67		13	34.30	11.13	3.67	10.17
	14	180.50	196.25	84.88	118.54		14	10.11	11.58	12.00	17.38
	15	144.22	239.83	115.88	124.00		15	0.11	0.29	9.67	3.00
	16	97.13	147.04	17.46	84.50		16	5.92	5.23	6.58	7.00
	17	112.92	129.04	14.88	26.25		17	7.22	5.29	4.71	12.38
	18	78.74	324.17	39.54	39.25		18	6.88	5.04	3.42	48.63
	19	88.54	185.39	7.43	63.46		19	75.25	69.25	26.29	27.25
	20	194.13	6.38	22.38	74.79		20	76.88	88.71	32.92	52.50
	21	102.04	13.63	28.17	69.46		21	70.00	74.38	22.58	54.96
	22	66.71	19.67	35.83	50.04		22	74.08	93.33	22.00	56.67
	23	46.33	54.38	8.63	47.25		23	75.50	92.63	25.67	36.59
	24	115.83	176.88	29.58	56.04		24	87.58	122.25	16.04	27.58
	25	132.75	236.00	24.88	44.71		25	91.38	90.08	69.71	67.63
	26	181.54	188.04	34.63	71.54		26	56.29	89.08	140.54	86.54
	27	213.08	227.29	69.08	88.50		27	8.75	35.50	77.92	10.96
	28	114.00	133.79	169.88	80.08		28	5.67	9.55	5.75	8.29
	29	194.42	133.25	140.29	77.79		29	18.04	20.35	21.96	29.58
	30	165.92	194.38	290.71	78.17		30	24.75	18.65	68.50	15.46
	31	12.96	27.13	174.33	16.33						

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Condition 35 - The Licence Holder must: (a) undertake an audit of their compliance with the conditions of this licence during the preceding annual period; and (b) prepare and submit to the CEO by no later than 01 October each year, after the end of that annual period, an Annual Audit Compliance Report in the approved form.

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 35.

Condition 36 – Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in FY2026.

Government of Western Australia
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L7851/2002/6	Licence file number:	DER2013/000925-1
Licence holder:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
☐Yes – please complete: • section C; • section D (if required); and • sign the declaration in Section F.
☒No – please complete: • section C; • section D (if required); • section E; and • sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

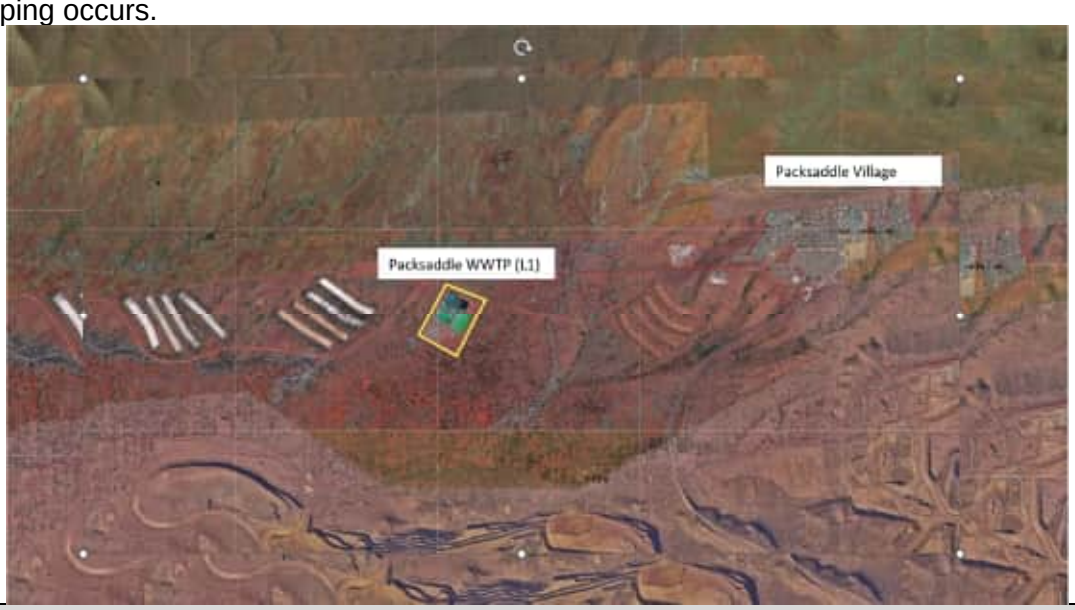
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or nonmetallic ore	149,398,340 t
12 – Screening	669,935 t
52 – Power Station	Operating at 20 MW; produced 1,113 MWh
54 – Sewage facility	519.83 m^3 average per day
63 – Class 1 inert landfill site	9,152 t
73 – Bulk storage of chemicals etc.	Total capacity of bulk chemical storage remains within 10,000m^3
89 – Putrescible landfill site	2,034 t

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity

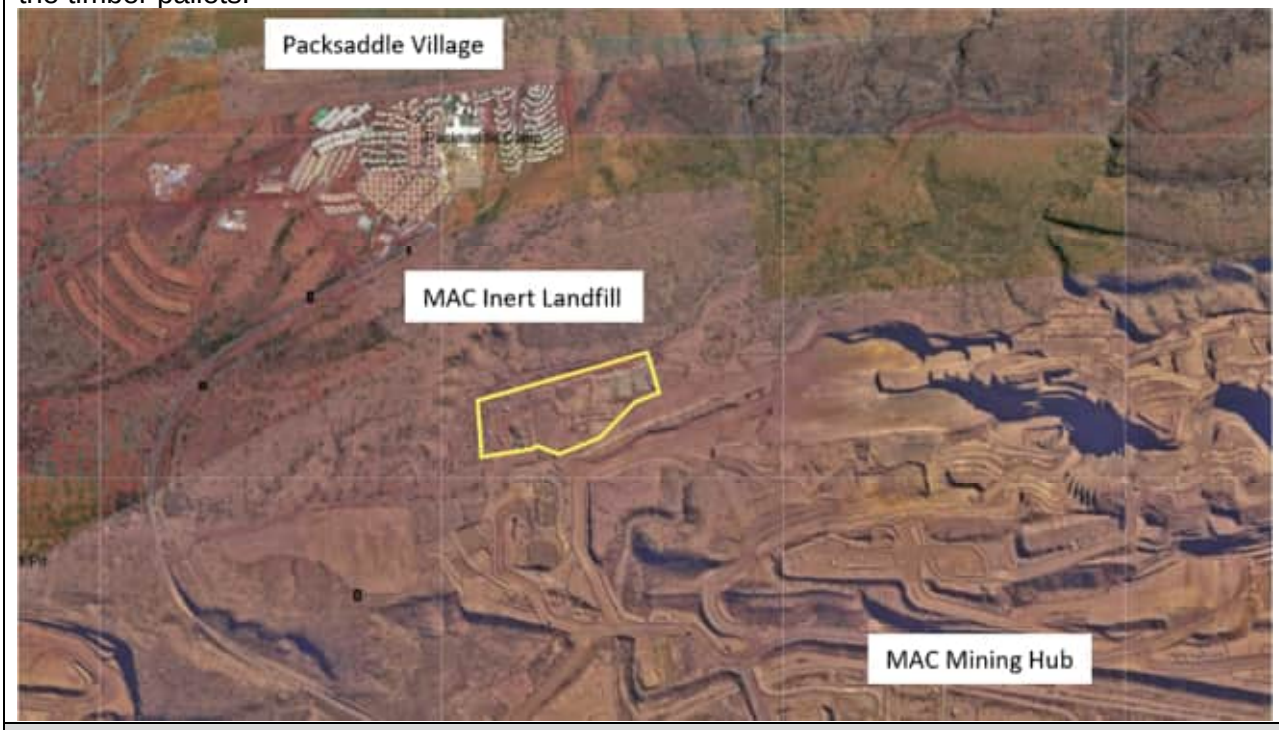
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
6 – Mine dewatering	22,409,679 t
85B – Water desalination plant	0.1627 GL

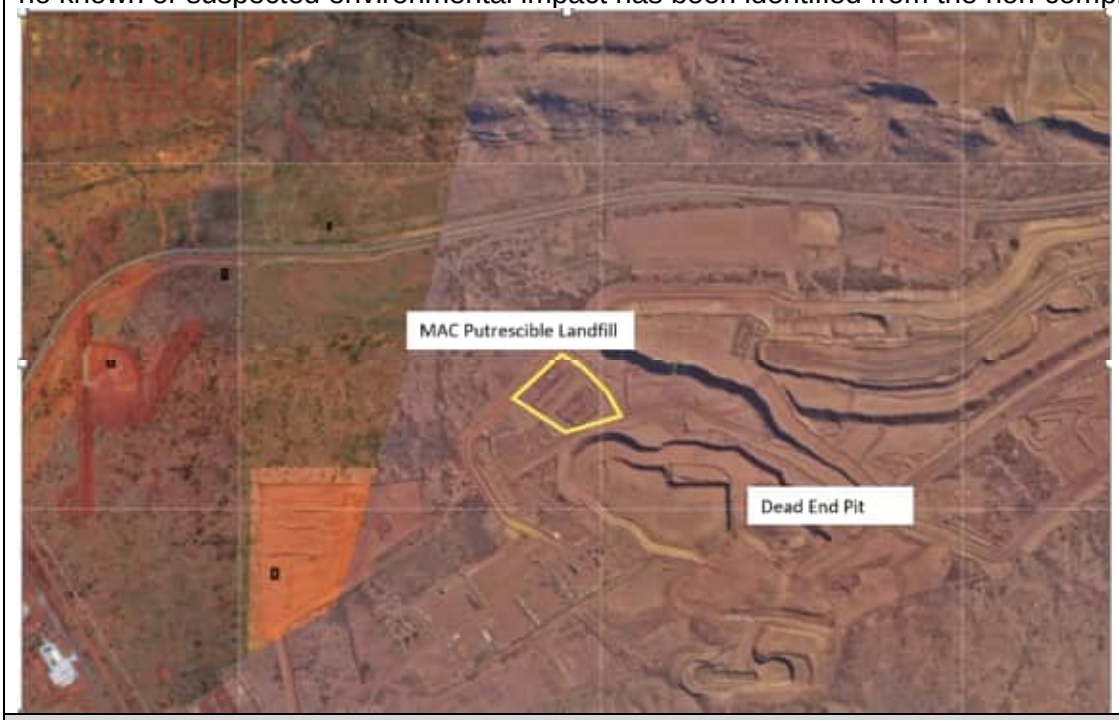
Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
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Condition no:	Condition 11 (Table 6)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	July 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 11 (Table 6) states that the Packsaddle Village Closed Pond system (L1) is authorised to receive a maximum of 250 m^3/day. During the month of July, the 250 m^3/day threshold was exceeded, with a recorded average monthly volume of 366 m^3/day.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known actual or suspected environmental impact was identified from the non-compliance. Infrastructure was able to contain additional effluent and no overflows occurred during July 2025 or the following months. Routine freeboard inspections have been carried out to ensure no overtopping occurs.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Due to recent village upgrades at Packsaddle, there has been an increased input of effluent from the village into the Packsaddle Village Closed Pond system (L1).			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
A review of the plumbing wastewater network at Packsaddle Village was conducted in 2026. It was concluded that the Packsaddle Biomax (L2) could accept greater inflow through the system as it was accepting ~30 m^3/day and is designed for 80 m^3/day. Works are currently underway to replumb wastewater at Packsaddle Village so the Packsaddle Biomax can accept and treat additional wastewater.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 10/09/2025 – FY2025 AACR	

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Condition no:	Condition 11 (Table 6)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	6 September 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 11 (Table 6) states that treated oily water ponds are required to have a vertical freeboard of 300 mm. During a routine inspection of the Field Equipment Maintenance (FEM) facility in September 2025 it was observed that an overtopping event occurred at the FEM treated oily water pond.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Treated oily water which overtopped from the pond was contained within the FEM facility with no potentially contaminated runoff from the area. Due to an administrative oversight, the pond had previously not been included in the monthly treated oily water pond sampling regime. The pond has since been sampled weekly since November 2025.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Freeboard of the oily water pond was not maintained, leading to overtopping. Freeboard was impacted due to the sediment trap being full, allowing sediment to enter the pond reducing capacity.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Excess water and sediment were removed from the pond to achieve a 300mm freeboard as per Condition 11. An Inspection schedule has been created for FEM personnel to conduct regular visual checks of the treated oily water pond.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

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Condition no:	Condition 11, Table 6	Date(s) of non-compliance:	1 November 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 11 (Table 6) states that treated potentially hydrocarbon contaminated wastewater must be stored in treated oily water ponds. On 1 November 2025, treated hydrocarbon contaminated liquid was incorrectly disposed of at the MAC bioremediation cell.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected environmental impact occurred from the non-compliance. The Bioremediation cell is HDPE lined, meeting a permeability of less than 10^{-9} m/s. 			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The MAC Bioremediation Facility was not being operated in accordance with site-based procedures.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Additional signage was erected at the bioremediation facility outlining no contaminated hydrocarbon wastewater is to be disposed of at the bioremediation facility. All potentially contaminated hydrocarbon wastewater is treated via an oily water separator with treated oily wastewater to be directed to a HDPE lined pond for evaporation.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
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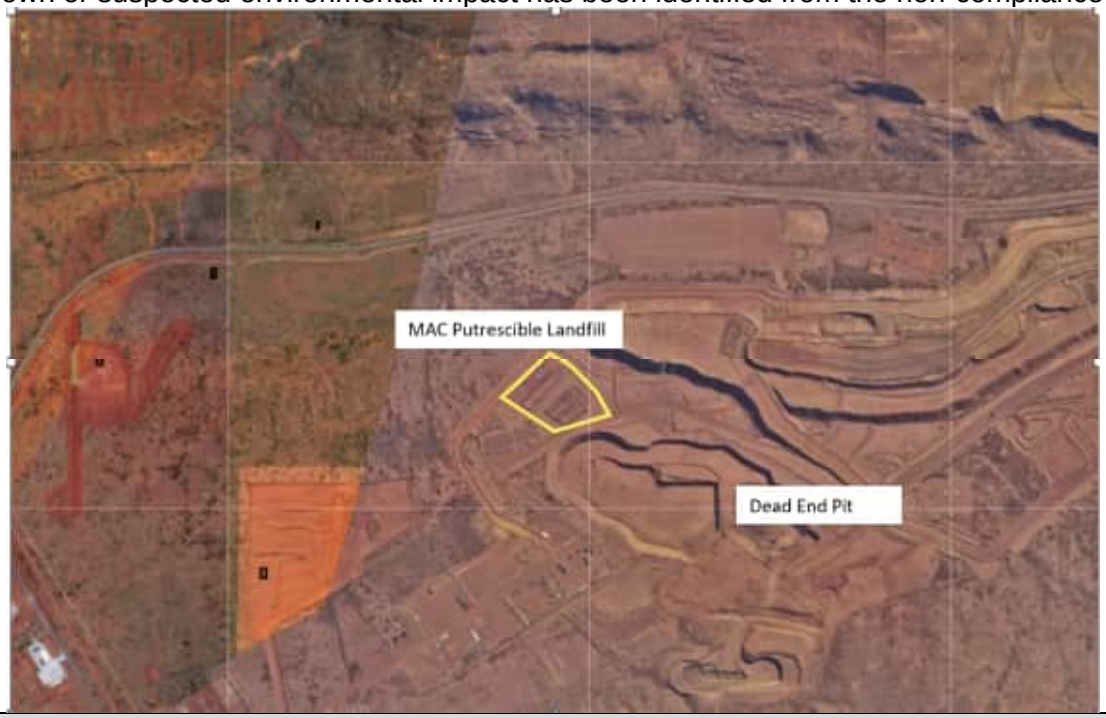
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Condition no:	Condition 4(b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 4(b) states '*where compliance with condition 4(a) is not possible, waste is stored in segregated storage area or container and removed to an appropriately authorised facility as soon as practicable'.* Timber pallets are currently stockpiled within the MAC Inert Landfill's Waste Transfer Station (>1,000t of stockpiled timber pallets).			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There is no actual (or suspected) environmental impact identified from the incorrect stockpiling of the timber pallets.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Timber pallets have been stockpiled at the Inert landfill, and the inert landfill has not been operated in accordance with BHP waste management procedures.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP is currently investigating disposal and waste management. Operational site teams have been instructed to ensure timber pallets in good working order are sent back to the site warehouse where they will be taken offsite for reuse and recycling as opposed to storage/landfill onsite.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 10/09/2025 FY2025 AACR	

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Condition no:	Condition 5 (Table 4)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	19 November 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 2 requires site infrastructure and equipment must be maintained and operated in accordance with the corresponding operational requirement set out in Table 2. For putrescible landfills, the condition states that putrescible waste must be disposed of in trenches. On 19 November 2025 MAC putrescible cells were at full capacity, and waste was deposited outside the series of trenches.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Due to active dewatering activities, groundwater is greater than 2 m from the base of the landfill, no known or suspected environmental impact has been identified from the non-compliance.			



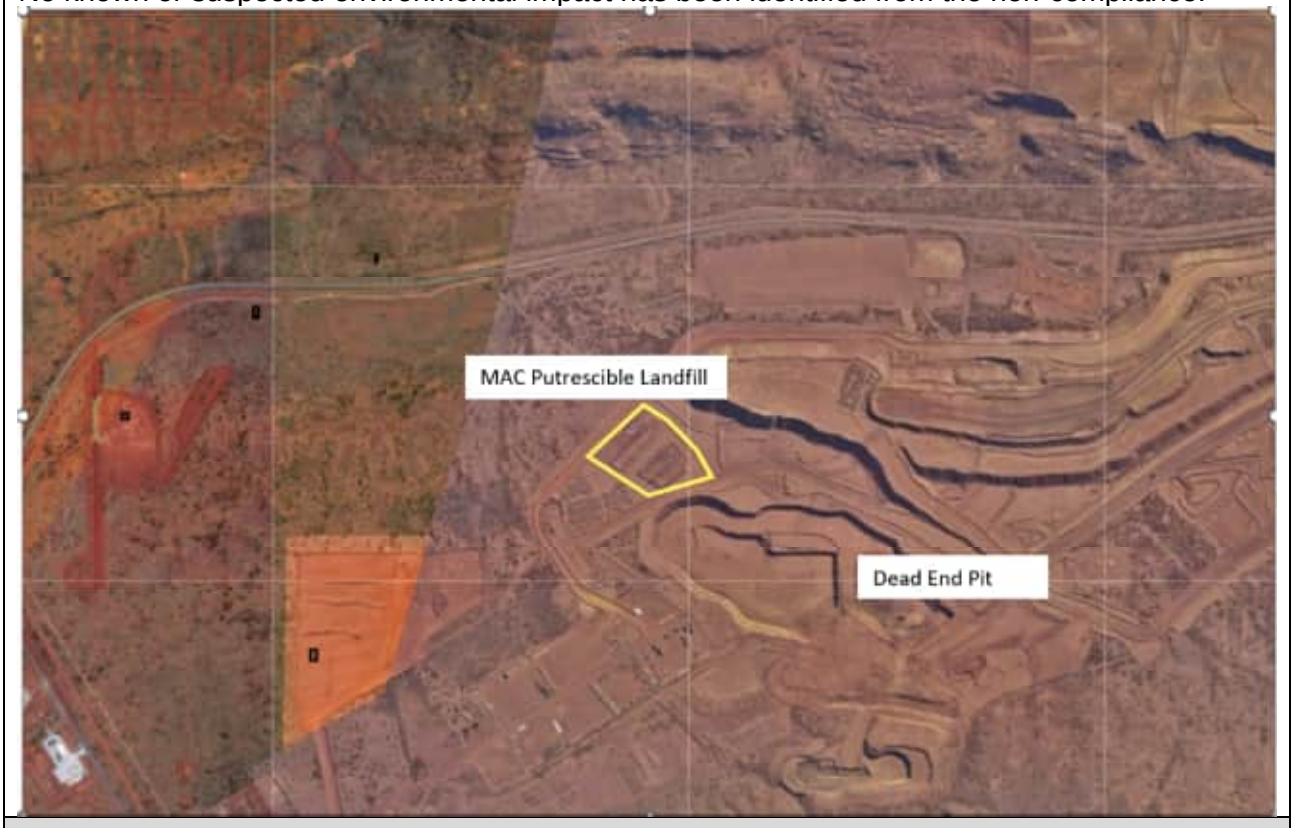
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
The putrescible waste cells were at capacity, and the new (current) putrescible cells were yet to be constructed.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
New (current) putrescible landfill cells have been constructed where all putrescible waste generated onsite is now being landfilled accordingly. The waste was moved to the new putrescible trenches for disposal.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
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Condition no:	Condition 7 (Table 5)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	13 October 2025 – 19/11/2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 7 (Table 5) states 150mm of clean fill material is to cover putrescible on at least a weekly basis. Based on imagery reviewed from 13 October 2025 – 19 November 2025 it was observed that no weekly cover of putrescible waste was completed.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Due to active dewatering activities groundwater is greater than 2 m from the base of the landfill. No known or suspected environmental impact has been identified from the non-compliance.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
The work order was not completed by Operational Teams to cover the active putrescible cells weekly.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
BHP internal stakeholder meetings were held to realign obligations and regulatory requirements. Weekly cover of the active putrescible landfill cells has been included in the MAC Mine Services Work Order Management System.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
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Condition no:	Condition 2 (Table 2)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	19 December 2025 to 28 April 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 12 (Table 7) states that the inert landfills must have perimeter fencing erected around the active landfill. It was identified that the active inert landfill cell was operating without perimeter fencing erected.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected environmental impact has been identified from the non-compliance.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
The infrastructure specifications (perimeter fencing around active landfill) were not implemented.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Perimeter fencing was installed at the putrescible landfill on 28 April 2026, as per the Licence requirement and gates have been installed to further control the access of the facility.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
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Condition no:	Condition 26 (Table 14)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	July and August 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 26 (Table 14) states monthly volumetric flow rates to irrigation area for evaporation/infiltration ponds are required. There were missed monthly flow meter readings at L21 (MAC Rail Loop WWTP irrigation area) in the months of July and August 2025.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known actual or suspected environmental impact was identified from the non-compliance. All treated wastewater quality was within target range during these events.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Administrative error in recording monthly flow meter readings.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
BHP internal stakeholder meetings were held to realign obligations and regulatory requirements. Work Order Management System has been updated to include the monthly flow meter reading from L21. Since August 2025, all monthly flow meter readings have been recorded from L21. Accurate monthly flow meter readings have been recorded for the remainder on the financial year.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☐ No ☒ Yes, and	
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date:
☒ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: 10/09/2025

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 26 (Table 14)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	February – March 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 26 (Table 14) states monthly volumetric flow rates to irrigation area evaporation/infiltration ponds are required. There were missed monthly flow meter readings at L2 (Packsaddle Biomax) in the months of February and March 2026.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known actual or suspected environmental impact was identified from the non-compliance.			



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Investigations carried out at the Biomax WWTP found there was a mechanical failure of the flow meter.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
A maintenance notification was raised for the fault to be rectified. The fault was rectified in April 2026 and monthly volumetric flow meter readings resumed. Accurate monthly flow meter readings have been recorded for the remainder of the financial year.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
☒ No ☐ Yes, and	
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Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
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Condition no:	Condition 3 – Table 3	Date(s) of non-compliance:	July 2025 – June 2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Condition 3 states waste accepted through the sewage treatment plants must meet the specifications listed in Table 3. Table 3 outlines flow is to be recorded as inflow at the Packsaddle WWTP Pond System. Currently, flow is being measured at the evaporation pond.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known actual or suspected environmental impact was identified from current flow meter location. Infrastructure was able to contain additional effluent and no overflows occurred during the reporting period . Routine freeboard inspections have been carried out to ensure no overtopping occurs.  			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The flow meter is currently measuring inflow at the evaporation pond (please see image above).			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
BHP is currently assessing suitable locations for a new inflow meter to ensure total inflow into the Packsaddle WWTP Pond System is recorded.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☒ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☒ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 10/09/2025	

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2.10 L8362/2009/2

Redmont Camp is situated in the Pilbara region of Western Australia, approximately 205 kilometres south of the town of Port Hedland. Licence L8362/2009/2 was issued for the Redmont Accommodation Camp wastewater treatment plant with design capacity of 296 m^3/day. Treated wastewater is disposed of in an evaporation pond lined with a High-Density Polyethylene liner.

The licence was amended in June 2026 to:

- Modify the WWTP treatment process from a batch reactor system to primary treatment through aeration within the existing lined evaporation pond.
- Reduce the existing Licence Production and Design Capacity (PDC) from 290 m^3/day to 190 m^3/day.

As per Notice of Amendment of Reporting Requirements issued by the DWER on 16 May 2022 only an AACR is required to be submitted annually from this point in time forward. The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the licence.

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Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L8362/2009/2	Licence file number:	DER2014/001415
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

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Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
54 – Sewage facility premises	43.81 m^3/day
63 – Class 1 Inert landfill	45,210 t

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
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Condition no:		Date(s) of non-compliance:	
Details of non-compliance:			
N/A			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
N/A			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
N/A			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
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2.11 L8665/2012/2

Warrawandu Village is located approximately 18 kilometres east of Newman and is the primary accommodation camp for the Jimblebar Iron Ore Mining Operation. L8665/2012/2 was issued for the Warrawandu Accommodation WWTP with a design capacity of 700 m^3/day.

This compliance report has been prepared as per the requirements of Condition 22, Table 8 of L8665/2012/2.

During the FY2026 reporting period, South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001) received Reverse Osmosis (RO) reject water from Warrawandu RO plant. Currently, under L8665/2012/2, the discharge point SJTN001 is not licenced to accept RO reject water from Warrawandu. There were no other malfunctions of pollution control equipment within the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2 – Waste Acceptance

Table 2-88 Waste acceptance

Waste	Waste Code	Quantity Limit	Specification	Actual Quantity
Sewage	N/A	700 m^3 per day	Accepted through the Inlet Distribution Chamber 1	316.8 m^3 per day

There were no exceedances of any descriptive or numerical waste limits during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 3 – Waste Processing

Table 2-89 Waste processing

Waste Type		Quantity Limit	Actual Disposal Quantity
Sewage		700 m3 per day	316.8 m^3 per day
Treated Wastewater	Sprayfield	132 m3 per day	99 m^3 per day
	Evaporation Pond	568 m3 per day	126.21 m^3 per day

There were no exceedances of any descriptive or numerical waste limits during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 5 – Monitoring of Emissions to Land

Table 2-90 Quarterly water quality monitoring results for Distribution Chamber 6 (NPIWVDSEW001)

Emission point reference	Parameter	Jul-25	Oct-25	Jan-26	April-26
Distribution Chamber 6	Total Suspended Solids (mg/L)	110	110	28	200
	Total Dissolved Solids (grav @ 180C) (mg/L)	910	880	1,200	1,400
	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	17	21	18	25
	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	18	14	34	26
	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	10.0	9.9	4	12
	E.coli (CFU/100 mL)	<1	510	<1	300
	pH (pH units)	9.0	8.8	7.9	9.3

Table 6 – Monitoring of Inputs and Outputs

Table 2-91 Monitoring of inputs and outputs

Actual Effluent Volumes (kL)			
Month	Inlet flow	Discharged to Sprayfield	Discharged to Evaporation Pond
	Sewage Pump Station	Sprayfield Pump Station	Distribution Chamber 6
Jul-25	11,409	4,225	5,558
Aug-25	9,756	3,963	3,880
Sep-25	10,238	3,965	3,341
Oct-25	10,495	3,453	2,910
Nov-25	8,698	1,894	2,715
Dec-25	7,249	996	3,265
Jan-26	9,069	263	4,695
Feb-26	9,178	2,657	3,302
Mar-26	9,632	2,672	3,433
Apr-26	10,185	4,022	4,323
May-26	10,930	4,006	4,725
Jun-26	9,111	4,119	4,047
Year Total (kL)	**115,950**	**36,235**	**46,194**
Daily Average (m^3/day)	**316.8**	**99**	**126.21**

Table 7 – Monitoring of Ambient Groundwater Quality

Table 2-92 October 2025 annual water quality monitoring results for MB3 and MB6

Sample Bore	Total Dissolved Solids (grav @ 180C) (mg/L)	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	E.coli (CFU/100 mL)
Monitoring Bore 3 NPIWVDMSEW003M	840	<5	7.8	0.05	Y
Monitoring Bore 6 NPIWVDMSEW006M	780	<5	0.14	0.05	<1

Condition 19 – Compliance

There were two non-compliances for the reporting period. Details of these non-compliances can be found in the AACR.

Condition 20 – Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 23 – Assessment of Monitoring Results

- Water quality monitoring results from the reporting period have been assessed against historical values with no adverse trends being identified. The higher E. coli results collected during the October 2025 and April 2026 quarters are suspected to be due to periods of low water movement through the treatment system (due to higher evaporation rates) and an algae bloom in the April quarter that reduced UV exposure to effluent in the treatment ponds.
- Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus loading rates were calculated for FY2026 and compared to the previous three annual periods. See calculations for each reporting year in Table 2-93 (FY2023 to FY2026). The increases in loading quantities to the evaporation pond during FY2024, FY2025 and FY2026, compared to FY2023, is attributed to the discharge of Jimblebar reject water into the infiltration pond. The discharge of this new water source has a significant impact on the volume of water being discharged into the infiltration pond annually and has therefore resulted in the loading TN and TP loading rates to be significantly higher than previous years.
- There were no changes to containment infrastructure, site boundaries and location of groundwater monitoring bores, surface drainage channels and no on-site or off-site impacts of pollution during the FY2026 reporting period.
- No sludge removal or desludging activities occurred during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-93 TN and TP loading rates (calculated) for FY2026 and compared across FY2023 to FY2025 FY2023

FY2026												
Parameter (Licence)	**7/07/2025**	**1/10/2025**	**14/01/2026**	**6/04/2026**	**Average**	**Units**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/ha/yr)**	**Loading to evap pond (kg)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/ha/yr)**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/day)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/day)**	**Total Loading (kg/day)**
Total Nitrogen (TN)	18	14	34	26	23	mg/L	166.68	38,498.31	22,646.07	2.28	105.47	107.76
Total Phosphorus (TP)	10	9.9	4	12	8.97	mg/L	65.04	15,022.71	8,836.89	0.89	41.16	42.05

FY2025												
Parameter (Licence)	**10/07/24**	**09/10/24**	**15/01/25**	**14/04/25**	**Average**	**Units**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/ha/yr)**	**Loading to evap pond (kg)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/ha/yr)**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/day)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/day)**	**Total Loading (kg/day)**
Total Nitrogen (TN)	41	18	23	29	27.75	mg/L	172.18	52,599.38	29,509.67	2.36	144.11	146.47
Total Phosphorus (TP)	16	6	6.2	9.8	9.5	mg/L	58.95	18,007	10,102.41	0.81	49.33	50.14

FY2024												
Parameter (Licence)	**18/07/23**	**20/10/23**	**2/01/24**	**17/04/24**	**Average**	**Units**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/ha/yr)**	**Loading to evap pond (kg)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/ha/yr)**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/day)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/day)**	**Total Loading (kg/day)**
Total Nitrogen (TN)	17.00	17.00	22.00	28.00	21	mg/L	114.95	101,007.21	59,416	1.57	276.73	278.31
Total Phosphorus (TP)	7.20	4.70	5.30	10.00	6.8	mg/L	186.12	32,707.1	19,239.47	0.51	89.61	90.12

FY2023												
Parameter (Licence)	**1/07/22**	**1/10/22**	**29/01/23**	**2/04/23**	**Average**	**Units**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/ha/yr)**	**Loading to evap pond (kg)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/ha/yr)**	**Relative loading to spray field (kg/day)**	**Relative loading to evap pond (kg/day)**	**Total Loading (kg/day)**
Total Nitrogen (TN)	22.00	17.00	13.00	14.00	16.50	mg/L	96.07	5,809.81	3,417.53	1.32	15.92	17.23
Total Phosphorus (TP)	9.80	5.40	2.10	5.80	5.78	mg/L	33.62	2,033.43	1,196.14	0.46	5.57	6.03

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Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
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Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
Category 54 - Sewage facility; premises	316.8 m^3/day

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 3, Table 2	Date(s) of non-compliance:	7 December 2025
Details of non-compliance:			
On the 7 December 2025, the Warrawandu Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) accepted approximately 500kL of Reverse Osmosis (RO) reject water from the Warrawandu Water Treatment Plant. This was due to high downstream brine pond levels and a requirement to increase production volumes of the Warrawandu Water Treatment Plant following a sustained power outage, to enable drinking water to be supplied to Warrawandu camp. The waste was discharged into the unlined evaporation pond at the Warrawandu WWTP and is not a waste type under Condition 3 of L8665/2012/2.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance has no known or suspected environmental impact. RO reject water was sampled to assess water quality, with results returning within acceptable limits according to historical data.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The RO reject water from the Warrawandu Water Treatment Plant is currently discharged to the South Jimblebar Turkeys Nest. At the time of the event, RO reject water was unable to be sent to this location, as the Turkeys Nest was at full capacity. At this time, Newman township and Jimblebar mine had experienced a sustained power outage and in order to continue to supply drinking water to operations and Warrawandu camp, production of the Warrawandu Water Treatment Plant was increased. As a result, RO reject water needed to be redirected however it was discharged to the incorrect unlined evaporation pond at Warrawandu WWTP as opposed to the lined evaporation pond.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Once it was identified that RO reject water was being diverted to the unlined evaporation pond, the correction to discharge RO reject water to the lined pond occurred. To prevent reoccurrence, updates to Warrawandu WWTP emergency discharge procedures have been made, to better identify the acceptable emergency discharge locations. In addition, routine inspections of discharge infrastructure and discharge pathways are completed to verify correct flow routing. Rectification options are being assessed to ensure future management of RO reject water complies with licence requirements. Long-term management and disposal options are currently under review to prevent recurrence of the non-compliance.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
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Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	N/A	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
During the FY2026 reporting period, Reverse Osmosis (RO) reject water generated at the Warrawandu RO Plant was transferred to the South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001), which is located at South Jimblebar (L5415/1988/9). The transfer and disposal of RO reject water to SJTN001 was not authorised under Warrawandu Licence L8665/2012 and therefore constituted a non-compliance with the licence.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected adverse environmental impact has occurred as a result of the non-compliance. The reject water is mixed with raw water from mine dewatering and contained within SJTN001 (lined pond), with no uncontrolled release the environment. 			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Currently, L8665/2012/2 does not authorise disposal of RO reject water into SJTN001.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Following identification of the non-compliance, water levels within South Jimblebar Turkey's Nest (SJTN001) were managed to maintain storage capacity and prevent overtopping. The operating level of the facility was reduced to increase available capacity while an appropriate long-term management solution is developed. Rectification options are being assessed to ensure future management of RO reject water complies with licence requirements. Long-term management and disposal options are currently under review to prevent recurrence of the non-compliance, with the review to continue in FY2027.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
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2.12 L8803/2013/1

BHP operates the Yarnima Power Station (YPS) to supply power to mining operations in the central Pilbara. YPS is located approximately 2.1 kilometres northwest of the Newman town site and adjacent to the existing Newman Power Station within mining tenement ML244SA. The nearest sensitive receptor is the town of Newman and BHPs Mt Whaleback and Newman Hub Operations, which are situated to the west-southwest within the same mining tenement.

The licence includes the operation of three Gas Turbines (GTs) coupled with three Heat Recovery Steam Generators (HRSGs) supplying steam to two Steam Turbine Generators (STGs).

As per Notice of Amendment of Reporting Requirements issued by the DWER on 16 May 2022 an AER (including annual RATA testing sheets) needs to be provided biennially starting 01/10/2023, however, the licence requires an AACR to be submitted starting 31/10/2022 and annually thereafter.

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the licence.

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Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
52 - Electric power generation	92.1MWe FY2026
73 - Bulk storage of chemicals etc.	1,454 m^3

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	15 Table 6	Date(s) of non-compliance:	FY2026
Details of non-compliance:			
GT 1, 2 & 3 PEMS NOx emission average reporting periods were not reported as specified in Table 6. Reported as 60-minute average as opposed to specified 30-minute average.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Nil			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Predictive Emissions Monitoring System (PEM) and reporting system settings were incorrect.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
PEMS and reporting system alterations are currently being progressed in conjunction with OEM of PEMS.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
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2.13 L8898/2015/1

The BHP Newman Mainline Quarry 2 Sleeper Storage Area operates under Licence L8898/2015/1 and is used to receive and stockpile timber sleepers from the northern end of the Newman Mainline.

Table 3.2.1 – Annual Environmental Report

Compliance with conditions in Table 3.2.1 is detailed below.

Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the annual period and any action

During the FY2026 reporting period there were no failures or malfunctions of any pollution control equipment, however there were two (2) reported non-compliances in the AACR (please refer to the AACR included at the end of this section for further detail).

Table 1.3.2 – Compliance with process limits

Compliance with all process limits outlined in Table 1.3.2 was maintained throughout the FY2026 reporting period.

- Sleepers are stored in an area where no pooling of any water can occur
- Stored on a minimum 150mm compacted fill hardstand;
- The storage area and firebreak were inspected, and notifications raised to remove vegetation as required.
- Storage:
- Within the storage area, there is currently a single block containing 90 bundles of sleepers which contain between 20 to 25 sleepers per bundle.
- A minimum 3 m firebreak will be maintained around the outer boundary of the sleeper laydown area with 2 m internal firebreak.
- Any treated timber sleepers are stored on a temporary basis until final disposal to an appropriate licenced landfill or other suitable disposal option is finalised.

Condition 2.1.5 – Details of compliance with monitoring methodology

Water sampling of the monitoring wells mostly occurred as defined in Condition 2.4.1, with results presented in Table 2-94.

Two (2) non-compliance were attributed to this licence throughout the reporting period, relating to the above condition. The monitoring for Q3 occurred outside of the monitoring period, due to cyclonic conditions preventing personnel from safely collecting samples. The monitoring run could not be rescheduled for February and were collected the following month. Numerous analytes were also unable to be sampled across all groundwater monitoring bores due to either limited water available or dry bore wells.

Soil sampling of the laydown area occurred as defined in Condition 2.4.2, with results presented in Table 2-97.

Table 2.2.1 – Summary of inputs and outputs

There were zero timber sleepers moved into the Sleeper Storage Area within the FY2026 reporting period.

The total tonnage currently stored is 725 tonnes (20,000 t limit as per the Quarry 2 Sleeper Storage Area Licence Amendment L8898 approval dated 22 June 2017). These values are based on the assumption that each sleeper weighs 115 kg (to account for mainline rail sleepers and the longer bearers).

There were no whole timber sleepers removed from the premises during the FY2026 reporting period. A movement summary can be provided on request.

Table 2.3.1 – Summary of process monitoring

During the FY2026 reporting period an inspection occurred each month, with no fire or damage noted on site.

Table 2.4.1 – Summary of ambient groundwater monitoring

As per Licence Condition 2.4.1, quarterly sampling of the quarry monitoring wells is required, with results provided in Table 2-94.

Sampling commenced in FY2016, with 32 data points collected against each bore. To date, water quality results and trend analysis indicates that the storage of timber sleepers does not appear to be impacting groundwater quality below the site.

Variability in analytical results that are above the Limit of Reporting (LOR) (i.e. metals, TRH and ionic compounds), shows no consistent or increasing trend from the up gradient bore to the two down gradient bores. As the bores are installed in a shallow, local aquifer, rainfall events quickly increase water levels and change the concentration of analytes, but the variation is inconsistent and often the up gradient bore contains higher concentrations than the down gradient bores (chromium and nickel).

Rainfall in the three months preceding monitoring events has been consistently below average between May 2022 and May 2026 and groundwater levels have fallen to the lowest levels since monitoring commenced, with MW2 and MW3 running completely dry throughout the year. Further to this, on many sampling runs, bores were purged until dry, resulting in only obtaining a partial sample. This resulted in not all analytes being tested for due to then limited water sample. Analyte

concentration variability appears to be related to high evaporation and low regional rainfall, rather than the influence of site activities at Quarry 2.

Dieldrin, BTEX and Total Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (including pentachlorophenols and naphthalene) results for FY2026 were all below the LOR.

Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH) returned results above the LOR in MW1 in March 2026. All TRH results were within the historical range and given that no whole sleepers have been stored in the area since late 2020 and none of the soil results contained TRH above the LOR, this indicates there is another source of the low levels of TRH that occurs intermittently in groundwater around Quarry 2. Results for iron, sulphate and chloride were also variable but returned results in FY2026 within the historical range.

The monitoring bore MW2 was purged dry prior to a full sample being collected in November 2025 and March 2026. MW1 was purged dry prior to a full sample in May 2026. The sampling contractor was unable to collect the remainder of the sample as the two bores continued to purge dry in that quarter. MW2 was dry in May 2026 and MW3 was dry on all sample runs except for August 2025. After reviewing Port Hedland airport data from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM), the calendar year of 2025 received an above average annual rainfall (416.0mm), in comparison to the average rainfall from 2000 being 329.5mm. Despite this, standing water level readings are lower than expected.

In the table below, bores that ran dry are labelled as *DRY*, while analytes that could not be sampled due to a limited samples are labelled as LTD.

Table 2-94 Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality – MW1 (up gradient)

Emission point	Parameter	Result 09/08/2026	Result 08/11/2026	Result 13/03/2026	Result 16/05/2026	Units	Averaging period
MW1 (up gradient)	Standing water level	9	9.4	10.31	10.45	m(AHD)	Spot Sample
	pH	7.46	7.57	LTD	LTD	pH units	
	Electrical conductivity	6489	6912	LTD	LTD	µS/cm	
	Total Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)						
	Acenaphthene	<0.00001	0.00002	LTD	<0.00001		
	Acenaphthylene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Anthracene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Benzo(a)anthracene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Benzo(a)pyrene	<0.000005	<0.000005	LTD	<0.000005		
	Benzo(ghi)perylene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Benzo(b&j&k)fluoranthene	<0.00002	<0.00002	LTD	<0.00002		
	Chrysene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Dibenzo(a&h)anthracene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Dieldrin	<0.000002	<0.000002	LTD	<0.000002		
	Fluoranthene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Fluorene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Naphthalene	<0.0001	<0.0001	LTD	<0.0001		
	Pentachlorophenol	<0.0001	<0.0001	LTD	<0.0001		
	Phenanthrene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Pyrene	<0.00001	<0.00001	LTD	<0.00001		
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH)						
	C6-C9	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	LTD		
	C10-C14	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	LTD		
	C15-C28	<0.05	<0.05	1.7	LTD		
	C29-C36	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	LTD		
	Sum C10-C36	<0.05	<0.05	1.7	LTD		
	Metals Dissolved						
	Arsenic	0.0039	0.056	0.0073	LTD		
	Cadmium	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	LTD		
	Copper	0.0017	0.0029	0.0030	LTD		
	Iron(III) minerals	11	34	11	LTD		
	Manganese	0.038	0.002	0.002	LTD		
	Nickel	0.17	0.095	0.061	LTD		
	Zinc	0.001	<0.01	0.005	LTD		
	Total Metals and Other Analytes						
	Chromium	0.059	0.31	0.14	LTD		
	Chloride	1400	1600	1200	LTD		
	Cyanide	<0.004	<0.004	<0.004	LTD		
	Nitrate ions	15	24	18	LTD		
	Sulphate ions	98	84	97	LTD		
	BTEX						
	Naphthalene VOC	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD		
	Benzene	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD		
	Toluene	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD		
	Ethylbenzene	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD		
	Xylenes	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD		

LTD – limited water sample

Table 2-95 Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality – MW2 (down gradient)

Emission Point	Parameter	Result 09/08/2026	Result 08/11/2026	Result 13/03/2026	Result 16/05/2026	Units	Averaging period
MW2 (down gradient)	Standing water level	8.759	9.376	9.3	DRY	m(AHD)	Spot sample
	pH	7.23	7.32	LTD	DRY	pH units	
	Electrical conductivity	1784	2901	LTD	DRY	µS/cm	
	Total Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)					mg/L	
	Acenaphthene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Acenaphthylene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Anthracene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Benzo(a)anthracene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Benzo(a)pyrene mg/L	<0.000005	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Benzo(ghi)perylene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Benzo(b&j&k)fluoranthene	<0.00002	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Chrysene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Dibenzo(a&h)anthracene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Dieldrin	<0.000002	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Fluoranthene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Fluorene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Naphthalene	<0.0001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Pentachlorophenol	<0.0001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Phenanthrene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Pyrene	<0.00001	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH)						
	C6-C9	<0.01	<0.01	LTD	DRY		
	C10-C14	<0.01	<0.01	LTD	DRY		
	C15-C28	<0.05	<0.05	LTD	DRY		
	C29-C36	<0.05	<0.05	LTD	DRY		
	Sum C10-C36	<0.05	<0.05	LTD	DRY		
	Metals Dissolved						
	Arsenic	0.0013	LTD	0.0032	DRY		
	Cadmium	0.00009	LTD	<0.00025	DRY		
	Copper	0.021	LTD	0.14	DRY		
	Iron(III) minerals	1.6	LTD	2.8	DRY		
	Manganese	0.13	LTD	0.23	DRY		
	Nickel	0.3	LTD	0.75	DRY		
	Zinc	0.012	LTD	0.059	DRY		
	Total Metals and Other Analytes						
	Chromium	0.082	LTD	0.77	DRY		
	Chloride	120	LTD	1200	DRY		
	Cyanide	<0.004	LTD	LTD	DRY		
	Nitrate ions	<0.05	LTD	36	DRY		
	Sulphate ions	40	LTD	190	DRY		
	BTEX						
	Naphthalene VOC	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD	DRY		
	Benzene	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD	DRY		
	Toluene	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD	DRY		
	Ethylbenzene	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD	DRY		
	Xylenes	<0.0005	<0.0005	LTD	DRY		

LTD – limited water sample

Table 2-96 Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality – MW3 (down gradient)

Emission Point	Parameter	Result 09/08/2026	Result 08/11/2026	Result 13/03/2026	Result 16/05/2026	Units	Averaging period
MW3 (down gradient)	Standing water level	9.48	DRY	DRY	DRY	m(AHD)	Spot sample
	pH	6.83	DRY	DRY	DRY	pH units	
	Electrical conductivity	523	DRY	DRY	DRY	µS/cm	
	Total Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)						
	Acenaphthene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Acenaphthylene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Anthracene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Benzo(a)anthracene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Benzo(a)pyrene	<0.000005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Benzo(ghi)perylene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Benzo(b&j&k)fluoranthene	<0.00002	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Chrysene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Dibenzo(a&h)anthracene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Dieldrin	<0.000002	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Fluoranthene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Fluorene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		

	Naphthalene	<0.0001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Pentachlorophenol	<0.0001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Phenanthrene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Pyrene	<0.00001	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH)						
	C6-C9	<0.01	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	C10-C14	<0.01	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	C15-C28	<0.05	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	C29-C36	<0.05	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Sum C10-C36	<0.05	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Metals Dissolved						
	Arsenic	0.0006	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Cadmium	<0.00005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Copper	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Iron(III) minerals	0.1	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Manganese	0.019	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Nickel	0.13	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Zinc	0.002	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Total Metals and Other Analytes						
	Chromium	0.0060	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Chloride	47	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Cyanide	<0.004	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Nitrate ions	8.2	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Sulphate ions	6	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	BTEX						
	Naphthalene VOC	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Benzene	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Toluene	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Ethylbenzene	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		
	Xylenes	<0.0005	DRY	DRY	DRY		

Table 2.4.2 – Summary of ambient soil quality monitoring

As per Licence Condition Table 2.4.2, soil sampling is required annually. A total of nine soil samples were taken. Given that the samples were collected when no whole sleepers were stored in Quarry 2 during the annual reporting period, samples were collected from close to previous locations as per the GPS locations recorded. Six samples were collected from the previous outer drip zone, down gradient of each timber sleeper block (Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 and 9) and three down gradient of the splinter storage area (Sites 5, 6 and 8), with results provided in Table 2-97.

During the FY2026 reporting period there were no TRH, dieldrin or hexavalent chromium results above the LOR and there are no discernible trends over the multiple years of sampling. Some variability in Chloride has been observed, but results are within the historical range.

Table 2-97 Monitoring of ambient soil quality

Emission Point	Emission point	Site 1 (004)	Site 2 (005)	Site 3 (006)	Site 4 (007)	Units	Averaging period
	Sample Date	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026		
L2 – Soil sampling (leachates) of the timber sleeper outer drip zone, down gradient of each timber storage laydown block.	pH	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.1	pH units	Spot sample
	C6-C9	<20	<20	<20	<20	mg/kg	
	C10-C14	<50	<50	<50	<50		
	C15-C28	<100	<100	<100	<100		
	C29-C36	<100	<100	<100	<100		
	Sum C10-C36	<50	<50	<50	<50		
	Phenol	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Pentachlorophenol	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01		
	Aluminium	0.46	0.44	0.44	0.66	per cent by weight	
	Arsenic	4	8	7	36	mg/kg	
	Antimony	<3	<3	<3	<3		
	Bromate	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		
	Boron	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	per cent by weight	
	Cadmium	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	mg/kg	
	Trivalent Chromate	26	23	26	24		
	Hexavalent Chromate	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		
	Chloride	<5	100	34	12		
	Copper	<0.001	0.001	0.002	0.004	per cent by weight	
	Lead	7	5	6	5	mg/kg	
	Molybdenum	<1	<1	1	3		
	Nickel	14	14	16	18		
	Selenium	<3	<3	<3	<3		
	Vanadium	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	per cent by weight	
	Zinc	0.004	0.011	0.007	0.010		

Emission Point	Emission point	Site 1 (004)	Site 2 (005)	Site 3 (006)	Site 4 (007)	Units	Averaging period
	Sample Date	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026		
	Benzene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	mg/kg	
	Toluene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Ethylbenzene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Xylenes	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Dieldrin	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		

Table 2-97 Monitoring of ambient soil quality (continued)

Monitoring of ambient soil quality								
Emission Point	Emission point	Site 5 (008)	Site 6 (009)	Site 7 (010)	Site 8 (011)	Site 9 (012)	Units	Averaging period
	Sample Date	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026	16/05/2026		
L2 – Soil sampling (leachates) of the timber sleeper outer drip zone, down gradient of each timber storage laydown block (Sites 7 & 9). Soil sampling (leachates) of the splinter storage area, down gradient of the locations where the piles were stored (Sites 5, 6 and 8)	pH	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	pH units	Spot sample
	C6-C9	<20	<20	<20	<20	<20	mg/kg	
	C10-C14	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50		
	C15-C28	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100		
	C29-C36	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100		
	Sum C10-C36	<50	<50	<50	<50	<50		
	Phenol	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Pentachlorophenol	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01		
	Aluminium	0.64	0.16	0.69	0.70	0.78	per cent by weight	
	Arsenic	3	1	4	5	27	mg/kg	
	Antimony	<3	<3	<3	<3	<3		
	Bromate	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		
	Boron	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	per cent by weight	
	Cadmium	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	mg/kg	
	Trivalent Chromate	25	10	36	28	22		
	Hexavalent Chromate	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		
	Chloride	59	6	8	<5	<5		
	Copper	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	per cent by weight	
	Lead	8	3	7	6	6	mg/kg	
	Molybdenum	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1		
	Nickel	16	5	19	19	10		
	Selenium	<3	<3	<3	<3	<3		
	Vanadium	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	per cent by weight	
	Zinc	0.005	0.001	0.006	0.010	0.004		
	Benzene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	mg/kg	
	Toluene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Ethylbenzene	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Xylenes	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
	Dieldrin	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		

Condition 3.1.3 – Compliance

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of the Licence.

Condition 3.1.4 – Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

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Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L8898/2015/1	Licence file number:	DER2015/000814
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	46 008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Yes – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if) required; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☒ No – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
62 - Solid waste depot	0 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
62 – Solid waste depot	0 t

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	2.4.1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	28/02/2026
Details of non-compliance:			
Sampling of the Quarry 2 groundwater bores could not be completed within the Quarter 3 sampling period due to cyclonic weather conditions that prevented safe site access and field activities. Due to the timing and duration of the weather event, monitoring could not be rescheduled within the required reporting period			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected environmental impact occurred as a result of the non-compliance.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Cyclonic weather conditions resulting in unsafe site access and field activities.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The required monitoring was rescheduled and completed at the earliest practicable opportunity following the cyclonic event and contractor availability. Future monitoring will continue to be scheduled in accordance with the licence requirements with contingency rescheduling undertaken where practicable following any weather-related disruption.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	2.4.1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	08/11/2025
Details of non-compliance:			
Numerous analytes were unable to be sampled for groundwater monitoring points MW1, MW2 and MW3 due to either limited water availability or dry bore wells.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No known or suspected environmental impact occurred from the non-compliance.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Sampling was unable to occur due to either limited bore water availability or dry bore wells across all groundwater emission points.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
No adverse effects are known or suspects to have resulted due to this non-compliance. The affected bores will be re-sampled during subsequent monitoring runs if sufficient groundwater is present. Groundwater levels will continue to be reviewed to assess the ongoing suitability of the bores for monitoring purposes.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☒ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date:	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date:	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

[1] It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

[2] AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

2.14 L9175/2018/2

BHP MAC-Yandi Rail Spur Landfill operates under Licence 9175/2018/1 and receives Class 1 Inert Waste from activities associated with Rail Spur upgrades, with an annual limit of 82,000 tonnes of Class 1 inert waste.

Condition 1 – Infrastructure and Equipment (Operation)

The landfill void was not expanded or excavated during the FY2026 reporting period. The landfill is still operational, therefore has not yet been closed or capped.

Condition 2 – Waste type restrictions and waste classification

No waste was delivered or disposed of in the MAC-Yandi Landfill during the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 2-98 Landfill

Waste Inputs	m^3	Tonnes	Date Delivered
Inert Waste Type 1 (solid waste meeting acceptance criteria for Class I landfills) Concrete Sleepers and Ballast	0	0	N/A

Condition 3 – Monitoring of Waste Inputs

No waste was delivered or disposed of in the MAC-Yandi Landfill during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 4 – Closure Requirements

The landfill was operational in FY2026 and therefore has not yet been closed or capped.

Condition 5 – Record Keeping

Accurate and auditable books of the following records, information, reports and data have been kept including the following information:

a) Calculation of fees payable;
b) Maintenance of infrastructure required to ensure that it is kept in good working order in accordance with Condition 1 of this Licence;
c) Monitoring undertaken in accordance with Condition 3 of this Licence;
d) The closure requirements undertaken in accordance with Condition 4 of this Licence; and
e) Complaints received under Condition 6 of this Licence.

Condition 6 – Complaints Summary

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 7 – Annual Audit Compliance Report

The AACR is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 7.

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Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L9175/2018/2	Licence file number:	DER2018/001481
Licence holder name:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2024 to 30/06/2025		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

☒ Yes – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if required); and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

☐ No – please complete:
- section C;
- section D (if required);
- section E; and
- sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
63 - Class I inert landfill site	0 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:		Date(s) of non-compliance:	
Details of non-compliance:			
N/A			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? **NOTE** – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
N/A			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
N/A			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☐ Yes, and			
☐ Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular[1]. I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature[2]:	*Signature redacted*	Signature:	
Name: (printed)	Tim Day	Name: (printed)	
Position:	Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

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2.15 L9438/2024/1

Quarry 1 is located 12 kilometres south of South Hedland. The existing Quarry 1 void is used for the disposal of inert waste from ongoing rail maintenance. The waste comprises of inert waste rock ballast, old concrete sleepers and other associated inert material and will be disposed of at Quarry 1 on an intermittent basis (dependent on activities in the area). The license allows the facility to receive a maximum Production and Design Capacity (P&DC) of 150,000 tonnes per annual period of inert waste.

L9438/2024/1 was granted 31/07/2024.

Condition 1 – Infrastructure Equipment (Operational)

The landfill void was not expanded or excavated during the FY2026 reporting period. The landfill is still operational, therefore has not yet been closed or capped.

Condition 2 – Waste Acceptance

Table 2-99 Waste acceptance

Waste Type	Quantity Limit	Acceptance specification
Inert waste type 1 (solid waste meeting acceptance criteria for Class I landfills as defined in the Landfill Definitions)	150,000 t per annum	a) All accepted waste to be deposited directly into Quarry 1 on entry to the Premises. b) No accepted waste to be processed or stored on the Premises. c) Waste containing visible asbestos or ACM shall not be accepted. d) Asphalt waste shall not be accepted. e) e) Tyres or plastics shall not be accepted.

During the FY2026 reporting period there was approximately 2,263 tonnes of waste disposed of at Quarry 1, and no exceedance of any quantity limit of waste.

There was one (1) non-compliance in the FY2026 reporting period associated with unauthorised waste disposal, refer to the AACR for further details.

Condition 3 – Prevention of stormwater contamination

All waste disposed into Quarry 1 has been classified as Class I Inert Waste. Given the inert nature of the material, no contaminants of concern are expected to be present in stormwater runoff from the disposal area.

Condition 4 – Monitoring

Monitoring was undertaken in accordance with Condition 4 throughout FY2026. There was no exceedance of the quantity limit in the reporting FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 5 – Closure

Still operational and thus not yet applicable during FY2026.

Condition 6 – Complaints

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 7 – Compliance Audit

The Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 7.

Condition 8 and 9 – Record Keeping

Accurate and auditable books of the following records, information, reports and data have been kept including the following information;

(a) the calculation of fees payable in respect of this licence;

(b) monitoring programmes undertaken in accordance with condition 4 of this licence;

(c) and complaints received under condition 6 of this licence.

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Section A – Licence details			
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Trading as:	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered business address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

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Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
Category 63: Class I inert landfill	2263 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
N/A	N/A

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	2, Table 2	Date(s) of non-compliance:	15/04/2026

Details of non-compliance:

Multiple tyres and rubber products deposited in Quarry 1 in breach of licence condition



What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

No actual or suspected environmental impact observed or expected from this event

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Unauthorised material deposited in the quarry

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

Unauthorised material removed from facility. Regular inspections of the area are completed. Coaching for operational personal will continue to ensure correct waste disposal processes are understood.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☒ No ☐ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
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Date:	22/09/2026	Date:	
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2.16 L9439/2024/1

Quarry 6 is located approximately 60 kilometres north of Newman. The existing Quarry 6 void is used for the disposal of inert waste from ongoing rail maintenance. The waste comprises of inert waste rock ballast, old concrete sleepers and other associated inert material and will be disposed of at Quarry 6 on an intermittent basis (dependent on activities in the area). The license allows the facility to receive a maximum Production and Design Capacity (P&DC) of 150,000 tonnes per annual period of inert waste.

L9439/2024/1 was granted 31/07/2024.

Condition 1 – Infrastructure and equipment requirements (operation)

The landfill void was not expanded or excavated during the FY2026 reporting period. The landfill is still operational, therefore has not yet been closed or capped.

Condition 2 – Waste Acceptance

Table 2-100 Waste acceptance

Waste Type	Rate at which waste is received	Acceptance specification
Inert Waste Type 1	Not more than 150,000 tonnes per annual period	a) All accepted waste to be deposited directly into Quarry 6 on entry to the Premises. b) No accepted waste to be processed or stored on the Premises. c) Waste containing visible asbestos or ACM shall not be accepted. d) Asphalt waste shall not be accepted. e) Tyres or plastics shall not be accepted.

During the FY2026 reporting period approximately 12,644 tonnes of waste was disposed of at Quarry 6. There was no exceedance of any descriptive or numerical limit of waste.

Condition 3 and 4 – Waste Processing

The Special Waste process limits and cover requirements have not been triggered as disposal of this waste type has not commenced.

Condition 5 – Prevention of stormwater contamination

The current quarry design retains stormwater. No changes to stormwater management at Quarry 6 occurred during FY2026 as existing management measures were deemed sufficient in preventing stormwater runoff.

Condition 6 – Monitoring

Table 2-101 Waste monitoring

Waste Type	Unit	Frequency
Inert waste type 1 (solid waste meeting acceptance criteria for Class I landfills as defined in the Landfill Definitions)	m^3 and calculated tonnes	Each load type arriving at the Premises

Monitoring was undertaken in accordance with Condition 6 throughout FY2026. There was no exceedance of any descriptive or numerical limit of waste during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 7 – Closure

Still operational and thus not yet applicable during FY2026.

Condition 8 – Complaints

There were no recorded complaints lodged with BHP related to environmental impacts at the premises in the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 9 – Reporting

The Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) is provided on the following pages as per the requirements of Condition 9.

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Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
Category 63: Class I inert landfill	12,644 t

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

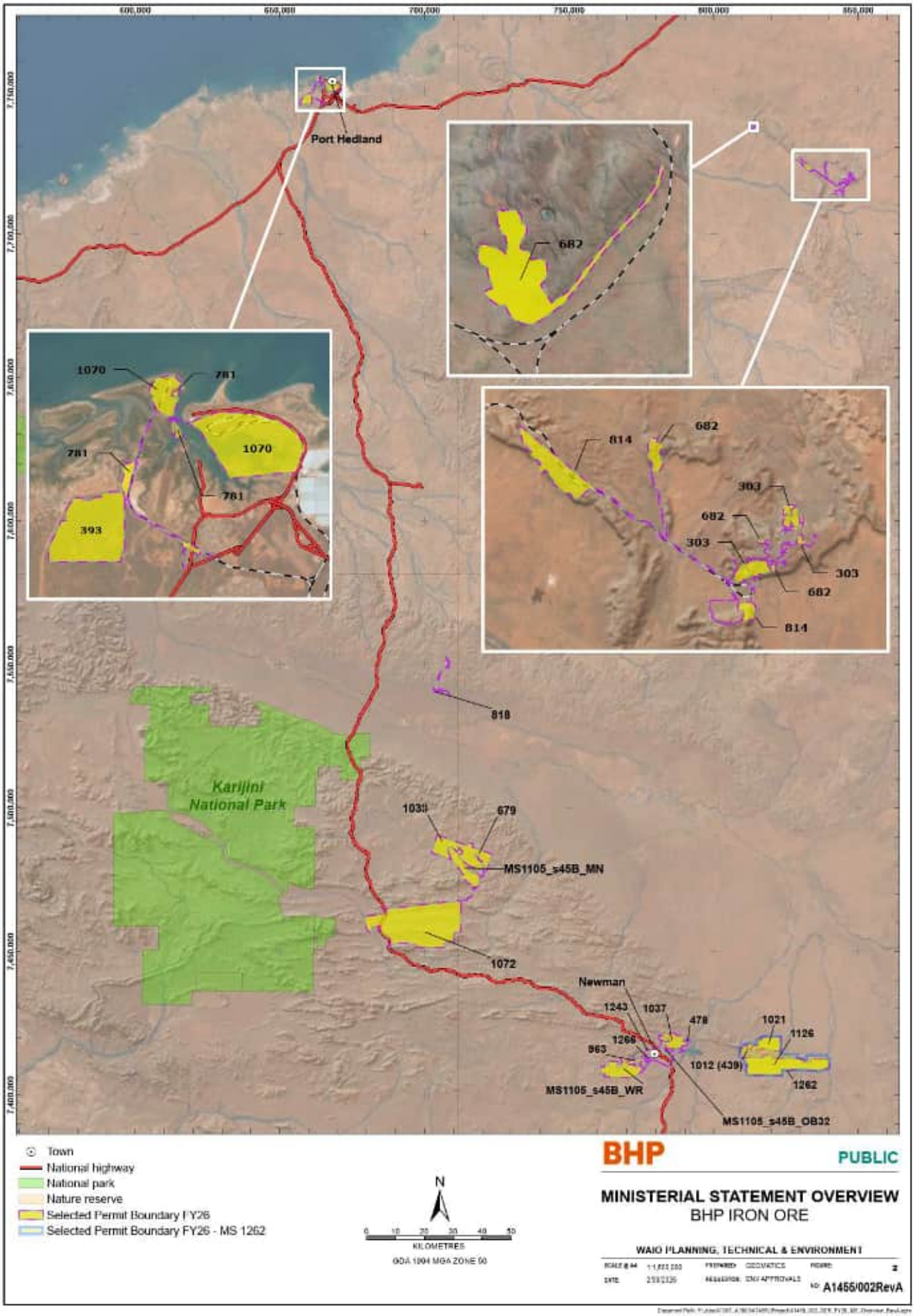
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Details of non-compliance:			
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N/A			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
N/A			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
☐ No ☐ Yes, and			
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3 Ministerial Statements



3.1 Ministerial Statement 303

3.1.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 303 (Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 – Yarrie Project Area) for the FY2026 reporting period.

The Yarrie mining area is an open-cut operation located 209 kilometres by road east-southeast of Port Hedland and 35 kilometres east of the former Shay Gap town site. When in operation, iron ore is processed and transported from the mine to Port Hedland via a 210-kilometres rail line. The operation is covered by Licence L5611/1993/11 issued by DWER.

Operations at Yarrie were suspended in May 2014. Routine inspections of infrastructure and key environmental risks have continued at the site while operations are suspended. A program for the demolition of redundant infrastructure and a contaminated sites investigation program commenced during FY2017 and has continued throughout FY2026. Rehabilitation activities occurred throughout FY2026, including the execution and completion of the Y10 rehabilitation project.

Ministerial Statement 303 lies within the *Iron Ore (Goldsworthy-Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972* and the *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964*. Ministerial Statement 303 (Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 – Yarrie Project Area) and Ministerial Statement 814 (Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations) provide the approval to mine the deposits across the Yarrie Mining Area. BHP continues to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Yarrie Mine in the context of its broader supply chain. In the interim, BHP will continue to progress its program of rehabilitating disturbed areas and decommissioning of redundant infrastructure.

In FY2026 an AMD drilling program continued across several Overburden Storage Areas (OSAs) to which further information can be found in section 6.3.7 and 6.4.7 of the FY2026 AER.

3.1.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The current implementation status for Ministerial Statement 303 Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 is operational. There were no applications submitted to amend this approval and no further Part IV approvals were obtained for the area covered by this Ministerial Statement within the FY2026 reporting period.

3.1.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 – Yarrie Project Area, East Pilbara
Statement Number	303
Proponent Name	Pilbara Gas Pty Ltd (formerly BHP Iron Ore (Goldsworthy) Ltd)
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 446 606

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period		01 July 2025 to 30 June 2026	
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 303 - Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 – Yarrie Project Area, East Pilbara audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 303 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Michael McLean, Director Pilbara Gas Pty Ltd, declare that I am authorised on behalf of Pilbara Gas Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: .. *Signature redacted* ate: 01/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.1.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 303 and covers:

- Environmental Management Plans & Programs
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation
- MS Status Map
- MS Audit Table

Environmental Management Plans & Programs

Water Management Programme

A Water Management Plan (WMP) was developed and implemented while active mining occurred (Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 (753) Yarrie Project Water Management Plan – AGC Woodward-Clyde 1993).

Water Supply monitoring is conducted under the existing groundwater licence and associated Groundwater Operating Strategy.

The majority of requirements within the water management program were required during the Construction and Pit Dewatering Phases only. Additionally, due to the project being in suspension, there are no permanent washdown bay or workshop on site therefore no sampling is conducted.

Fauna Management Plan

A number of fauna surveys have been completed at the site since 1986 and a management plan was developed in 1993 and subsequently replaced by a Significant Species Management Plan (SSMP) (Revision 3) approved by the Minister in 2009.

By letter dated 7 September 2015 the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (OEPA) provided a 12-month approval for an amendment to the SSMP to cease quarterly monitoring at known caves while mining operations are suspended. By letter dated 23 November 2018 BHP requested approval to continue this amendment for years 2018 and 2019. In a response from DWER dated 7 July 2020, ongoing extension was granted until operations resume.

Most commitments in the significant species management plan only apply when mining is active at the site and are controls to minimise disturbance.

The results of monitoring programs executed during FY2026 are as followed:

Threatened Reptile

During FY2026, a total of 13 live Pilbara Olive Pythons (*Liasis olivaceus barroni*) were recorded, comprising five individuals not previously encountered and eight individuals with transmitters implanted during previous monitoring periods. A further five secondary-sign records were documented, comprising four scats and one slough. A total of 84 independent radio-tracking locations were recorded across eight tracked individuals (five males, three females). These individuals were recorded using eight distinct fauna habitats, predominantly 'Gorge/Gully', with additional use of minor drainage lines, breakaways, and rocky habitats. Notably, Pilbara Olive Pythons continued to use artificial mine features, with tracked individuals recorded within a legacy mine pit and was consistent with earlier findings that the species utilises modified landscape features where suitable waterbodies, riparian vegetation and rocky shelter are present.

Population genetics for the Pilbara Olive Python was also updated this reporting period as part of the Pilbara-wide molecular dataset (n = 162). Across all three structural analyses (PCA, STRUCTURE and DAPC), Yarrie individuals (n = 27) grouped consistently with the DeGrey and Marble Bar samples, forming a cohesive northern genetic cluster distinct from the Hamersley Plateau subpopulations. Marble Bar also carried ancestry from neighbouring western groups, indicating continued gene flow across the landscape. These results are consistent with previous years and confirm that the Yarrie population remains genetically connected to Marble Bar and DeGrey.

Threatened Bats

The ghost bat (*Macroderma gigas*) and Pilbara leaf-nosed (*Rhinonicteris aurantia* 'Pilbara form') bat monitoring project work has yielded valuable insights into the spatial ecology, movement patterns, habitat preferences, and use of artificial roost structures for both species. From the GPS tracking of 20 Ghost Bats in the previous year within the Great Northern Area, average nightly foraging ranges were deduced as 1.19–30.51 kilometres, and in terms of habitat types a strong preference for productive 'Sandy/Stony Plains' habitats with open mature woodland were made. A total of 10 locations were visited during a survey to complete ground truthing of the tagging data collected during the previous three ghost bat trapping projects. Each area was searched and a detailed habitat assessment was completed, included photos of any possible perching or roosting structures as well as the surrounding habitat. Average home range estimates were calculated for 16 individuals (6.16 km^2-

624.26 km^2) from this years' investigation and average altitude was calculated for nine individuals (6.4 m ± 0.4 - 22.1 m ± 1.8). Ongoing monitoring of the Nimingarra culverts shows both threatened bat species persisting at the site and roosting in large numbers, particularly for the ghost bat.

Artificial roost development remains a key research priority to mitigate impacts on natural roosts of these threatened species. The monitoring program continued for this year and is addressing knowledge gaps around roost microclimate preferences and the progression of insulative properties in artificial structures over time. The artificial roost (AYAR-001) was visited/entered on 29/04/26 to complete routine equipment maintenance and check for scats. Eight ghost bats were observed within the artificial roost during the visitations, and all eight were successfully prevented from flushing. To date, this is the largest number of ghost bat individuals that have been observed within the roost at one time. Additionally, approximately ~100 fresh/recent/old scats were observed at the entrance of the first chamber, 30 of which were collected for genetic analysis. Monitoring at the Yarrie artificial roost indicates ghost bats roost intermittently during the wet season (October–March) and more consistently during cooler months (April–September), while Pilbara leaf-nosed bats show sporadic foraging visitation. Microclimate data collected within the Cattle Gorge Artificial Roost is providing comparative insights into environmental conditions influencing roost selection and bat activity. These findings highlight the conservation value of artificial roosts and the need for long-term ecological data to assess their effectiveness for threatened bat species.

Decommissioning

A Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). BHP has made notable progress toward meeting mine closure requirements at Yarrie during FY2026. A key milestone was the approval of the revised Mine Closure Plan (version 4) by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) in December 2024, following its submission in August 2024. The plan addressed feedback received on earlier versions and details ongoing mine closure activities and knowledge for the suspended operations at Yarrie, Nimingarra, and Cattle Gorge. Concurrently, BHP has continued routine inspections and environmental risk monitoring across the site, including infrastructure management and site contamination investigations. BHP are currently undergoing a review of the Mine Closure Plan for submission in 2026 to meet conditions outlined in Ministerial Statement 303.

Weed Management

During FY2026 weed control was performed across site to control known weed populations and included species such as *Calotropis procera* and *Jatropha gossypiifolia*. *Calotropis procera* management was conducted across the entirety of the Goldsworthy area, with focus on main access roads and historical mining areas using a cut and stump method. *Jatropha gossypiifolia* management was completed in known locations including Yarrie Camp and the old Shay Gap townsite and creek.

Routine inspections post weed control have shown positive results with high weed deaths and minimal regrowth. Ongoing weed control programs are to occur during FY2027.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-1 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS303

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	477.83	477.83
Total	**477.83**	**477.83**

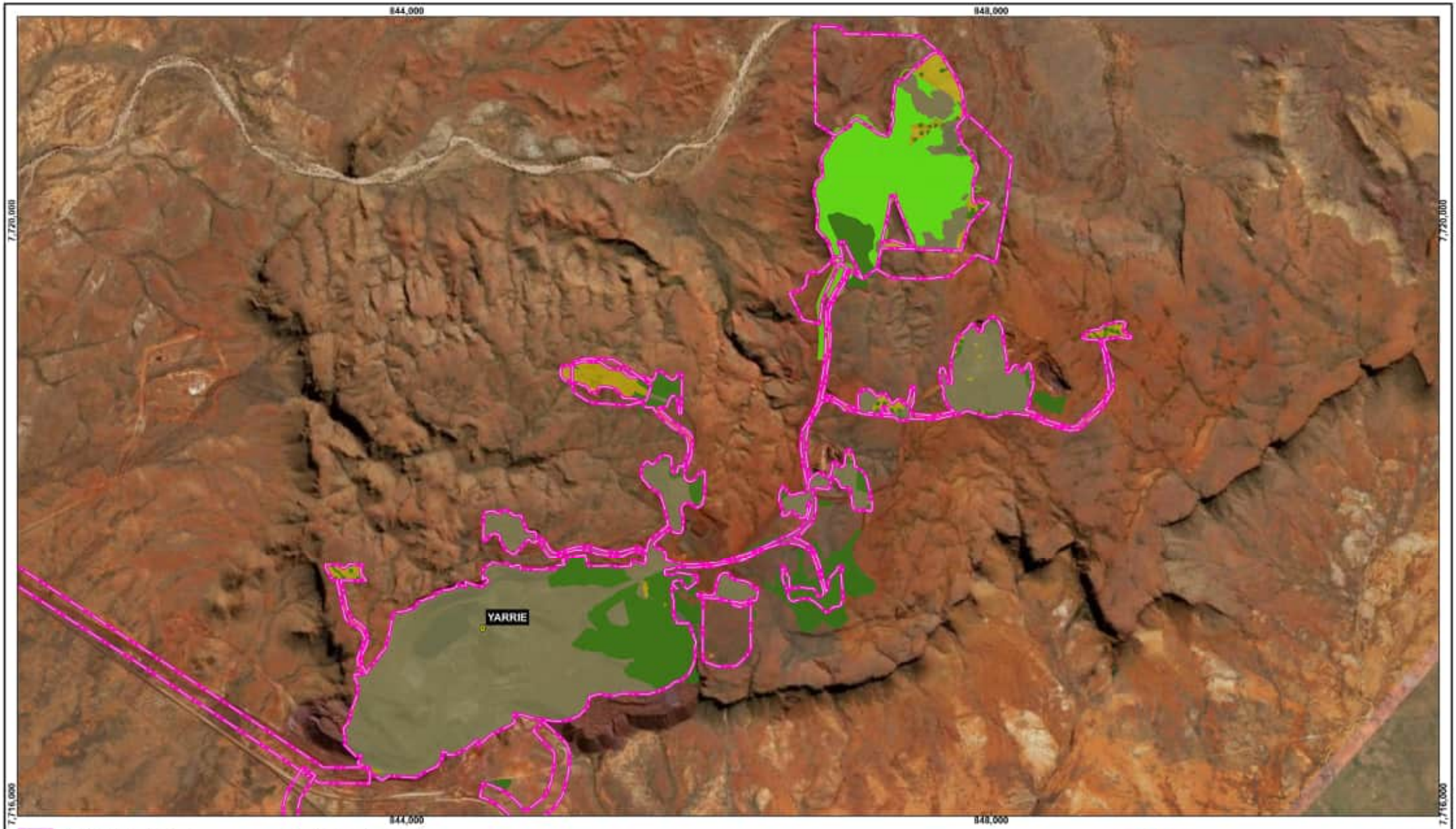
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026(ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.52	7.36
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	152.95	246.80
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**153.47**	**254.16**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

[1] Disturbance includes pit voids, overburden storage areas, infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, processing plants, haul and access roads and railway), supporting facilities (borrow pits, ore stockpiles, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition.

Table 3-2 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS303

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	146.26
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.19
8	Plant site	1.97
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	86.78
12	Landfill site	0.50
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	0.79
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	21.76
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.00
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.40
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	107.11
22	Laydown or hardstand area	2.83
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	37.45
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	7.14
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	9.98
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	246.33
30	Topsoil stockpile	0.65
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	7.83
32	Not Applicable	0.00



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO:
303 - Yarrie

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

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AUDIT TABLE

Statement Compliance Section
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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non-compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
303:M1	Proponent Commitments	In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments (which are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement made in the Consultative Environmental Review and in response to issues raised following public submissions. These commitments are consolidated in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 673 as Appendix 1.	As per attachment to the Minister's Statement published 4 February 1993.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	
303:M2.1	Implementation	Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal. Where in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way the Minister for the Environment determines on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not environmentally substantial, those changes may be effected.	Implement in accordance with any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Plan	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The project to date has been implemented in accordance with the submitted proposal. Any changes to the approved proposal would be submitted for DWER review and assessment using the provisions of Section 45C of the *EP Act 1986.*
303:M3.1	Water Management	Prior to the commencement of productive mining, the proponent shall prepare a water management programme to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Water Authority of Western Australia and the Department of Minerals and Energy. This programme shall be based upon hydrogeological studies and shall include consideration of, but not limited to: 1) surface water monitoring and management procedures; 2) groundwater dewatering impacts, monitoring and management procedures; and 3) long term management of any water bodies which expose the water table to long term evaporation.	Prepare a water management programme to the requirements of the Water Authority and Department of Minerals and Energy.	Water Management Programme	Operation	Prior to the commencement of productive mining	C	A Water Management Plan (WMP) was developed and implemented while active mining occurred (Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase 2 (753) Yarrie Project Water Management Plan – AGC Woodward-Clyde 1993).
303:M3.2	Water Management	The proponent shall implement the water management programme required by condition 3-1.	Implement a water management programme.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The management and monitoring requirements within the water management program were required during the Construction and Pit Dewatering Phases only.
303:M4.1	Fauna Management	Prior to the commencement of any clearing or construction activity on the mine site, excluding the railway, the proponent shall conduct a fauna survey and prepare a fauna management plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Department of Conservation and Land Management.	Prior to commencement of any clearing BHP will conduct a fauna survey and prepare a fauna management plan.	Fauna survey report. Fauna Management Plan	Pre-Construction	Prior to the commencement of any clearing or construction activity on the mine site	CLD	A number of fauna surveys have been completed at the site since 1986. A management plan was developed in 1993 and subsequently replaced by a Significant Species Management Plan (SSMP) (Revision 3) approved by the Minister in 2009.
303:M4.2	Fauna Management	The proponent shall implement the fauna management plan required by condition M4-1	Implement a Fauna Management Plan.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	On 7 September 2015 the OEPA provided approval for an amendment to the SSMP to cease quarterly monitoring at known caves while mining operations are suspended, ongoing extension was granted until operations resume. Most commitments in the SSMP apply when mining is active at the site and are controls to minimise disturbance.

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303:M5.1	Decommissioning	At least 6 months prior to decommissioning, the proponent shall prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan	6 Months prior to the intended decommissioning date BHP will prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan.	Preparation of a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan.	Decommissioning	At least 6 months prior to decommissioning.	C	The site has not commenced the decommissioning period; however, a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). A revision of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was submitted to OPEA for review on 24 December 2013 and after consultation with the DMP, the OPEA approved this revision on 30 April 2014. A revised Mine Closure Plan (version 4) was submitted to DWER on 31 July 2018. BHP received feedback from DWER on the 2018 plan on 22 June 2021 and received endorsement of an October 2021 resubmission date to address the feedback. The revised Mine Closure Plan submitted for review in August 2024 and was approved December 2024.
303:M5.2	Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the plan required by condition 5-1	Implement a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan.	Compliance Assessment Report	Decommissioning	At the start of decommissioning and rehabilitation activities.	NR	The Goldsworthy North Area Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, August 2024) is currently implemented. Pre-closure activities include progressive rehabilitation, contaminated sites management and ongoing water monitoring.
303:M6	Transfer of Proponent	No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of the Statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement	In a letter to the Minister for the Environment, including the nomination of a replacement proponent and a copy of the Statement endorsed with an undertaking by the nominee to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.	Copy of letter of sent to the Minister of Environment.	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	NR	The Minister for the Environment will be advised if there are any changes to the proponent.
303:M7	Time Limit on Approval	If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of the statement, then approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five year referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.	Submit an application to the Minister for the Environment by way of request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* if the project has not substantially commenced within five years of the date of the statement.	Application under Section 46 of the EP Act.	Overall	Before the expiration of period of five years from 4 February 1993.	CLD	Development commenced in 1992 immediately after approval was granted, and mining operations commenced in 1993.
303:M8	Compliance Auditing	The proponent shall prepare periodic "Progress and Compliance Reports", to verify the environmental performance of this project, in consultation with the Environmental Protection Authority.	BHP to prepare periodic progress and Compliance Reports for inclusion in the BHP Annual Environmental Report.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Periodically throughout the life of the project, that is: at major phases of the project and annually upon operation / commissioning or, as required.	C	This (and subsequent) annual Compliance Assessment Report and Audit Table details the environmental performance of the project.

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303:P7.1	Clearing of Vegetation	Only the minimum area required for construction and operation of the project will be disturbed. Where practicable, topsoil to a depth of about 15 cm will be stripped and stockpiled prior to any earthmoving and, once construction is completed, all disturbed areas no longer required for the operation of the facility will be contoured (where necessary), topsoiled (where available), ripped and seeded where necessary.	Topsoil will be stripped to a depth of about 15cm and stockpiled. As required post construction, contouring, topsoiling (where topsoil available), ripping and seeding of disturbed areas will be undertaken.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Operation.	C	Any disturbance completed while mining has been suspended (e.g. clearing for firebreaks, rehabilitation activities, drilling programs for groundwater monitoring bores, security upgrades) was undertaken using the internal BHP Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process. The GLUP process is used to apply relevant environmental controls (including Growth Media management).
303:P7.2	Development Policy	BHP will pursue a "minimum impact" development policy which will include minimum clearing and ground disturbance, minimum groundwater abstraction, minimum water discharge, careful monitoring and effective rehabilitation. Adherence to this policy will be a requirement written into the mining contracts.	Implement "minimum impact" development policy into site inductions and management plans where applicable.	Site inductions and management plans.	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	This development policy will be maintained. There are no specific ongoing commitments that need to be undertaken until mining operations resume at the site.
303:P7.3	Railway Creek Crossings	Care will be exercised at all stages of construction to minimise damage to drainage channels. Culverts will be utilised along the rail route to avoid interference with the natural surface drainage. Large culverts to cross Eel Creek will be utilized.	Utilise culverts along the rail route to avoid interference with the natural surface drainage, utilise large culverts to cross Eel Creek.	Culverts constructed.	Construction	At all stages of construction	CLD	Culverts are installed at natural drainage points along the Yarrie rail extension. Large culverts are in place at the Eel Creek crossing. Inspections of these crossings will occur as required until mining operations resume at the site.
303:P7.4	Shadowing Effects of Railway Line	BHP will establish a programme to monitor and evaluate the health of vegetation downslope of the railway embankment. If adverse impacts are revealed by this monitoring, BHP will take steps as necessary to mitigate those impacts.	Monitoring programme to evaluate the health of vegetation downslope of the railway embankment.	Report from monitoring programme.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	Surveys were completed in 1997, 1998 and 2001 and they indicated that there was no known adverse impact on the vegetation. Further surveys may be completed in the future if evidence indicates there are longer term changes occurring to the vegetation community.
303:P7.5	Borrow Pits	Borrow pits for all construction materials will be selected and operated to minimise erosion and land disturbance. Where possible pits will be located where they are not visible from village or access roads. The BHP-Newman Guidelines and Objectives for Borrow Pit Development and Rehabilitation (Appendix D) will be applied.	Locate pits (where possible) where they are not visible from village or access roads. Apply the BHP-Newman Guidelines and Objectives for Borrow Pit Development and Rehabilitation.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	CLD	Borrow pits from this project were developed in accordance with this commitment.
303:P7.6	Water Supplies	Water supplies will be preferentially obtained from bores drilled into the Yarrie plateau, adjacent to the main pit. Water will be abstracted from Eel Creek aquifer only if supplies from the plateau are insufficient to meet project requirements.	Proponent to preferentially obtain water supply from bores drilled into the Yarrie plateau, adjacent to the main pit. Water will be abstracted from Eel Creek aquifer only if supplies from the plateau are insufficient to meet project requirements.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Eel Creek Groundwater Well Licence was relinquished in 1997. Water is currently sourced from the Shay Gap borefield. No abstraction is expected to occur while there is no mining activity at the site. Should mining operations resume this commitment will continue to be complied with.
303:P7.7	Abstraction of Water from the Eel Creek Aquifer	If water is abstracted from the Eel Creek aquifer, BHP will monitor the groundwater levels and water quality in the aquifer to detect excessive drawdown or water quality changes. If significant effects are observed, the health of vegetation in the creekbed will be monitored and steps taken to mitigate adverse impacts.	Proponent to monitor groundwater levels and water quality in the aquifer to detect excessive drawdown or water quality changes.	Compliance Assessment Report	Construction	Throughout the life of the project	CLD	Eel Creek Groundwater Well Licence was relinquished in 1997.
303:P7.8	Surface Water Discharges	Water produced from dewatering will be used as much as possible, for domestic and mine uses. The minimum possible amount will be discharged to natural surface drainage. BHP will monitor the quality of all water discharge to the environment from pit dewatering or other sources. Water discharged to natural drainage will comply with Works Approvals and Licences issued under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.	Compliance to Works Approvals and Licences issued under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and water monitoring completed as per the BHP monitoring programme.	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	While there is no mining activity at the site, no dewatering or discharge is planned to occur and therefore there are no ongoing requirements to fulfil this commitment. Should mining operations resume, monitoring of any water discharged will be completed.

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303:P7.9	Hydrogeological Investigations	Hydrogeological investigations will continue with the aims of better defining the aquifers of the Yarrie area, identifying sources of project water supply, predicting drawdown effects and modelling the effect of salinity build-up in the mined-out Y2 pit. The results of these investigations will be used to optimise the water abstraction and dewatering programmes and the long-term management of the mined-out pit.	Continue to complete hydrogeological investigations to better define the aquifers of the Yarrie area.	Water abstraction and dewatering program	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Relevant hydrological information will continue to be reported annually to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. Hydrogeological investigations will be undertaken as required when mining operations resume.
303:P7.10	Erosion Control	Erosion around roads and building areas will be controlled by minimisation of clearing, rehabilitation, proper drainage and bunding where necessary. Erosion at creek crossings and culverts will be minimised by the use of rock armouring and careful design. Regular inspections will be carried out to detect and repair any erosion damage which does occur.	Designs will incorporate rock armouring and minimal clearing to minimize erosion.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Any disturbance during the suspension of mining activity (e.g. clearing for firebreaks, drilling for investigative purposes, earthwork rehabilitation) will be undertaken using BHPs internal Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process is used to apply relevant environmental controls that will limit erosion. Visual site inspections were conducted during FY2026 and indicated no further signs of erosion.
303:P7.11	Overburden	Overburden storage site will be designed to be stable and to resist erosion. At the completion of mining, the surface of the overburden will be rehabilitated.	Overburden storage site will be designed to be stable and to resist erosion.	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	Regular inspections will continue to be undertaken by BHP to monitor landform stability. When mining operations are completed in the future, the surface of the overburden will be rehabilitated in accordance with the approved Mine Closure Plan.
303:P7.12	Hazardous Materials Storage	The handling, use and disposal of hazardous materials to comply with all local and State regulations. Bulk fuel to be stored in above-ground tanks held in impermeable, bunded enclosures, in accordance with Department of Minerals and Energy requirements. Explosives to be stored in a magazine remote from accommodation facilities, workshops, the mine site and any areas susceptible to flooding.	Bulk fuel to be stored in above-ground tanks held in impermeable bunded enclosures, explosives to be stored in a magazine remote from accommodation facilities, workshops, mine site and any areas susceptible to flooding.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Hydrocarbons are stored in dangerous goods compliant aboveground facilities. The hazardous material storage areas are inspected periodically. Should mining operations resume, any hazardous materials brought to the site will continue to be stored in compliance with the Dangerous Goods legislation.
303:P7.13	Oily Wastes	Used oils will be stored securely in drums or tanks and will be periodically removed by a licensed waste disposal contractor for recycling or disposal at a Shire Council approved site. Runoff and wastewater from areas subject to hydrocarbon contamination, such as workshops and washdown bays, will be drained to evaporation ponds where sunlight and bacteria will decompose the hydrocarbons. Water contaminated with hydrocarbons will be contained, and not released to the environment.	Proponent to ensure used oils are stored securely in drums or tanks and periodically removed by a licensed waste disposal contractor for recycling or disposal at an approved site.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Waste oil generated is stored securely in drums or tanks and periodically removed by a licensed waste disposal contractor for recycling or disposal at an approved site. Areas of known hydrocarbon contamination were inspected periodically during the FY2026 reporting period.
303:P7.14	Landfill Sites	Landfills for the disposal of non-toxic (including domestic) wastes will be managed in accordance with relevant local health authority requirements.	Manage landfill sites in accordance with relevant local health authority requirements.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The landfill has been managed in accordance with local health authority requirements. Inert waste material has been used to cover the landfill.
303:P7.15	Fire Prevention	BHP will maintain firefighting equipment at the mine site in case of accidental fires. The induction briefing given to all site personnel will include the prevention of accidental fires.	Maintain firefighting equipment at the mine site in case of accidental fires and include in induction briefing given to all site personnel, the prevention of accidental fires.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Firefighting equipment was maintained during the FY2026 reporting period. Fire breaks were maintained at the site to prevent the risk of fire on hazardous material storage areas and key site infrastructure. Regular inspection occurred and any areas with high fuel loads or prone to fire were managed accordingly.
303:P7.16	Weeds	Regular inspection of the vegetation adjacent to the railway line, roads and rehabilitated areas to ensure that weed infestation is not occurring. Any infestation discovered in the areas will be dealt with by appropriate physical or chemical means.	Periodic spraying and mapping of target areas to prevent weed spread.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Regular inspection of weed populations occurred as part of routine inspections. Mapping of weed species was conducted by an Environmental consultant during the FY2025 reporting period, with ongoing weed control and trials occurring in FY2026.

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303:P7.17	Pebble-Mound Mouse nests	Disturbance of areas where Pebble-mound Mouse nests are located will be avoided wherever possible. BHP will undertake detailed surveys of Pebble-mound Mouse populations in the project area as described in Section 5.0 to provide data for their proper management.	Proponent will avoid wherever possible, disturbance of areas where Pebble-mound Mouse nests are located.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The locations of pebble mound mouse nests are recorded on BHPs GIS system. Any disturbance is controlled through the GLUP process and routine internal audits / inspections for compliance.
303:P7.18	General Flora and Fauna Protection	Pets (dogs and cats), firearms and indiscriminate use of off-road vehicles will be prohibited in the project area	Site inductions	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	No evidence of pets (dogs and cats), firearms and indiscriminate use of off-road vehicles was observed in the project area in FY2026.
303:P7.19	Noise	Blasting will be carried out at specified times during daylight hours to minimise noise impacts at the village. Occupational noise levels will be monitored and managed as required under Works Approvals and Licences issued under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.	Blasting will be carried out at specified times during daylight hours. Manage Occupational noise levels.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	No blasting has occurred while mining operations have been suspended.
303:P7.20	Dust Control	Normal means of dust suppression, including watering of roads, will be employed to minimize dust generation. Occupational dust levels will be monitored and managed as required under Works Approvals and Licences issued under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.	Minimise dust generation and manage occupational dust levels.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	No excessive dust generated by mines related activity occurred during the FY2026 reporting period.
303:P7.21	Employment	The mining contractor will be encouraged to source the operational workforce from the Pilbara, including Karratha and Wickham as well as Port Hedland and Newman. Former BHP employees accepting redundancy from Shay Gap will, if they indicate interest, be made known to the contractor and, if suitable, the contractor will be encouraged to employ them.	Human Resources process to source the operational workforce from the Pilbara, including Karratha and Wickham as well as Port Hedland and Newman.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	No employment opportunities exist at the site, due to suspended operations.
303:P7.22	Community Liaison	BHP will continue consultation with Aboriginal custodians of the project area and owners of the neighbouring pastoral leases. BHP will respect the "no-go" areas agreed to with the Aboriginal elders.	Consultation with Aboriginal custodians of the project area and owners of the neighbouring pastoral leases. BHP will respect the "no-go" areas agreed to with the Aboriginal elders.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Consultation with Traditional Owners and the neighbouring stations continued throughout the FY2026 reporting period. Heritage exclusion zones were maintained in BHPs GIS database and were reviewed prior to any disturbance.
303:P7.23	Rehabilitation	Procedures developed by BHP in the Pilbara will be applied to rehabilitation at Yarrie. The objective of the rehabilitation will be to ensure that, at the end of the project, all disturbed surfaces (with the exception of mine pits) are returned to a stable condition with a flora and fauna which approaches the natural condition of the site.	Apply procedures developed by BHP in the Pilbara, to rehabilitation at Yarrie.	Compliance Assessment Report	Decommissioning	At the end of the project	C	The site has not commenced the decommissioning period; however, a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). The current revision of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was approved by the OPEA on 30 April 2014. A revision was submitted to DWER on 31 July 2018. BHP received feedback from DWER on the 2018 plan on 22 June 2021 and received endorsement of an October 2021 resubmission date to address the feedback. The revised Mine Closure Plan was approved August 2024. Progressive rehabilitation is ongoing on the Project.
303:P7.24	Decommissioning	Following completion of the project, buildings and other structures will be removed. Concrete slabs will be broken up and buried. The rehabilitation of the overburden will be completed. Remaining borrow pits will be rehabilitated. All unwanted bare or compacted areas will be contoured (where necessary), ripped and seeded. Monitoring of rehabilitated areas will be undertaken to gauge success This monitoring will continue until the vegetation is seen to be progressing towards a condition similar to that which existed before mining. Decommission and rehabilitate the project area	Decommission and rehabilitate the project area.	Compliance Assessment Report	Decommissioning	Following completion of the project	C	The site has not commenced the decommissioning period; however, a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). The current revision of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was approved by the OPEA on 30 April 2014. A revision was submitted to DWER on 31 July 2018. BHP received feedback from DWER on the 2018 plan on 22 June 2021 and received endorsement of an October 2021 resubmission date to address the feedback. The revised Mine Closure Plan was approved December 2024. Progressive rehabilitation is ongoing on the Project.

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303:P7.25	Yarrie Pit Long-term salinity	BHP will continue to monitor the salinity of water in the Goldsworthy pit for several years to determine the future likelihood of saline water seeping from the pit into the De Grey River aquifer. The results of monitoring will be used to formulate management strategies for the Yarrie pit if necessary.	Monitor the salinity of water in the Goldsworthy pit.	Monitoring Reports	Decommissioning	For several years after the cessation of mining operations	CLD	Sampling of the Goldsworthy pit lake last occurred in 2018 and showed the salinity trends were aligned to the models. Groundwater monitoring across the site and particularly closer to the pit has also shown that the pit lake is acting as designed and currently show no pathway for saline pit water to interact with the aquifer. Previous results have been reported in the Annual Environmental Report.
303:P7.26	Project Management	The Yarrie project will be overseen by the BHP environmental officers to ensure that the environmental management programme is adhered to. The commitments made to environmental protection in the CER will be written into the contracts for construction and mining. Regular internal audits will be carried out to ensure the environmental management programme is being fulfilled and that no unacceptable environmental impacts are occurring.	Regular internal audits carried out by the BHP environmental officers to ensure that the environmental management programme is adhered to.	Audit reports	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Environmental specialists carried out regular inspections during FY2026 to ensure the environmental management program was adhered to. BHP was compliant to the EMP for the FY2026 reporting period.

3.2 Ministerial Statement 393

3.2.1 Introduction

Boodarie Hot Briquetted Iron Site (HBI) started production of hot briquette iron in 1995 and ceased production in 2004. Demolition of the site began in 2007. The associated Part V operating licence L6564/1995/13 was not renewed in 2010 as the site was no longer in operation. The site is subject to the requirements of the EP Act and associated environmental legislation, Ministerial Statement 393, *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964* and the *Mining Act 1978*.

3.2.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Boodarie HBI completed the decommissioning phase of the project. The rehabilitation of the Residue Storage Impoundment (RSI) area that began in FY2021 was completed in FY2023. Monitoring of rehabilitation at RSI will continue as documented in the Boodarie Closure Plan. Large pieces of infrastructure were dismantled during past reporting years, leaving only an office building, a gatehouse, warehouse, concrete pads, water and wastewater treatment infrastructure on site. Demolition of this remaining infrastructure began in FY2025. As of the end of FY2026 only the underground services remain for future demolition.

There were no environmental or community incidents reported. No additional areas of land were disturbed during the FY2026 reporting period and no rehabilitation activities were undertaken. An updated Boodarie Iron Closure Plan (Revision 5.0) was submitted to the DWER in April 2025.

3.2.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Ministerial Statement 393 - Boodarie Hot Briquette Iron
Statement Number	393
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd as manager for the Mount Goldsworthy Mining Associates Joint Venture
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	01 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☐ Operation	☑ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 393 - Boodarie Hot Briquette Iron audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 393 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd as manager and agent for the participants in the Mount Goldsworthy Mining Associates Joint Venture (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.2.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 393 (MS393) and covers:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Table 3-4 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS393

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	378.50	378.50
Total	**378.50**	**378.50**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	224.40	224.40
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**224.40**	**224.40**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

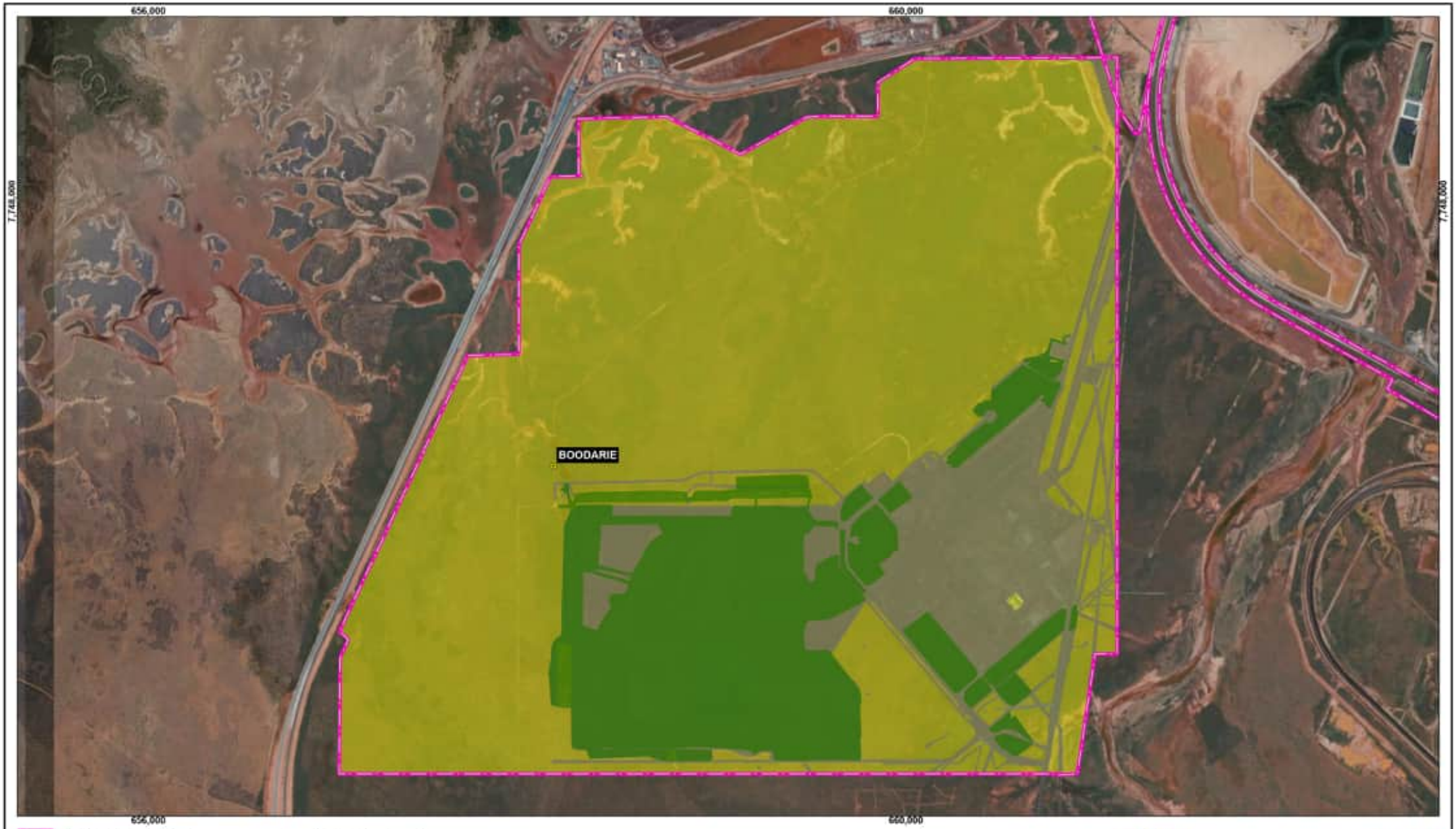
[1] Disturbance includes pits, waste dumps, infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, processing plants, haul and access roads and railway), supporting facilities (borrow pits, ore stockpiles, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition.

Table 3-5 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS393

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	201.60
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	21.13
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.18
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	7.09
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.82
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	35.79
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0.00
22	Laydown or hardstand area	2.30
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.00
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	109.59
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0.00
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	224.40
30	Topsoil stockpile	0.00
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0.00
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

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All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = 20's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
393:M1	Proponent Commitments	In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments made in the Consultative Environmental Review and in response to issues raised following public submissions, provided the commitments are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement. A schedule of these Environmental Management Commitments to be audited by the Department of Environmental Protection was published in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 786 (Appendix 6) and a copy as modified in August 1995 is attached.	As per attachment list of commitments attached to the statement.	Compliance assessment report	Overall	Until all commitments have been completed.	C	BHP has implemented Environmental Management Systems that will ensure that associated works at the Boodarie HBI are implemented as detailed in the proposal.
393:M2.1	Implementation	Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal.	Implement in accordance with any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal	Compliance assessment report	Overall	Until Completion of Project	C	The project to date has been implemented in accordance with the submitted proposal. Any changes to the approved proposal would be submitted for DWER review and assessment using the provisions of Section 45C of the EP Act 1986.
393:M2.2	Implementation	Where in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way the Minister for the Environment determines on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not environmentally substantial, those changes may be effected.	Seek and receive the necessary approvals from the Minister	Approval applications	Overall	Before any changes are undertaken	C	Noted
393:M3	Proponent	No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project, which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent, shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of the Statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.	In a letter to the Minister for the Environment, including the nomination of a replacement proponent and a copy of the Statement endorsed with an undertaking by the nominee to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.	Letter regarding transfer of proponent	Overall	Before any changes are undertaken	NR	No change of ownership during period.
393:M4.1	Environmental Management Plan	An Environmental Management Plan is to be prepared and implemented to ensure significant impacts to the environment resulting from the project are detected, reported on and managed properly. Prior to construction and in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection and other appropriate government authorities, the proponent shall prepare and Environmental Management Plan, which addresses, but is not limited to the following: 1) baseline monitoring of ambient dust outside the boundary of the project site, particularly at South Hedland and Wedgefield; 2) management of dust to acceptable levels during construction, operation, maintenance and de-commissioning of the project, and in consultation with the Town of Port Hedland; 3) monitoring and reviewing to verify the effectiveness of the dust control measures;	The Environmental Management Plan is currently being reviewed to ensure it appropriately addresses the requirements of condition 4 as relevant to the revised Boodarie Iron Closure Project. 1) Complete 2) Complete. Decommissioning complete. Site in Care and Maintenance; 3) Dust monitoring was no longer a requirement from 2016; 4) Review measures to minimize dust during decommissioning and demolition in EMP and	1) EMP documentation 2) EMP documentation 3) Data stored 10) Testing confirmed absence of stygofauna	Overall	1) Prior to construction; 2) Before revised decommissioning plan is implemented; 3) Continuous data collection and monthly reporting; 4) Before revised decommissioning plan is implemented; 5) Before revised decommissioning	1. CLD; 2. CLD; 3. CLD; 4. C; 5. CLD; 6. CLD; 7. CLD; 8. NR; 9. NR; 10. CLD; 11. CLD; 12. CLD; 13. C.	BHP has implemented Environmental Management Systems that will ensure that associated works at the Boodarie HBI are implemented as detailed in the proposal.

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		4) utilizing the best practice environmental management; 5) monitoring of noise inside and outside the designated buffer zone; 6) baseline monitoring at and around the brine outfall; 7) monitoring at and around the brine outfall to verify mixing, and the levels of contaminants; 8) re-establishment of mangroves; 9) monitoring changes in nearby mangroves; 10) possible baseline monitoring for stygofauna in groundwater; 11) management strategy to ensure that ballast water discharged from ships associated with the project comply with contemporary procedures by the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service; 12) annual audits of all "greenhouse" gases emitted by the plant; and 13) recycling viability study.	decommissioning and rehabilitation plans; 5) Not occurring while demolition has been suspended; 6) Not applicable; 7) Not applicable; 8) Complete; 9) Complete 10) Complete; 11) Not applicable; 12 Not applicable; 13) Waste addressed in EMP.			plan is implemented; 6) Not applicable; 7) Not applicable; 8) Complete; 9) Complete; 10) Complete; 11) Not applicable; 12) Not applicable; 13) Ongoing.		
393:M4.2	Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the approved Environmental Management Plan required by condition 4-1, to the requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection on advice of appropriate government authorities.	Implement the approved Environmental Management Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Overall	Commencing pre-construction	C	BHP has implemented Environmental Management Systems that will ensure that associated works at the Boodarie HBI are implemented as detailed in the proposal.
393:M4.3	Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring or other observations show unacceptable environmental impacts, the proponent shall implement plans to mitigate these impacts.	Implement the approved Environmental Management Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Overall	Commencing pre-commissioning	C	Plant has been decommissioned. Currently Phase 1 of a Remediation Plan has been implemented to understand possible contamination of site groundwater. This is being undertaken in consultation with DWER.
393:M5	Dust management	The proponent shall operate the project using the best practice environmental management, so that particulate emissions from the site do not cause unacceptable impacts on the surrounding environment (see condition 4-1).	Use best practice environmental management for particulate emissions.	EMS Documentation	Overall	Commencing commissioning	CLD	Dust monitoring was discontinued in 2015 due to the plant being decommissioned and site being placed in care and maintenance.
393:M6:1	Mangrove systems	Within one year of commissioning of the plant, the proponent shall re-establish mangrove systems lost through direct impacts from construction activities, to the requirements of the Environmental Protection Authority. The area of replacement mangrove systems shall be equal to or greater than the area lost due to construction activities (see condition 4-1).	Such that the area of replacement mangrove systems shall be equal to or greater than the area lost due to construction activities. Completed.	N/A	Commissioning	Within one year of commissioning	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:M7.1	Flood plain and storm surge area management	In consultation with the Water Authority of Western Australia and the Department of Transport on detailed engineering designs, the proponent shall ensure no adverse impacts on lands, including erosion and flooding (such as back flooding effects on South Hedland), result from the proposal.	Through detailed engineering design	Revised decommissioning and rehabilitation plans	Construction	Detailed plant design/construction	CLD	The updated Boodarie Closure Plan (Revision 5.0) was received by DWER in April 2025.
393:M7.2	Flood plain and storm surge area management	In consultation with the Water Authority of Western Australia and the Department of Transport on detailed engineering designs, the proponent shall ensure that adequate flood and storm surge protection for critical components of the proposal are provided.	Through detailed engineering design	Plant design	Construction	Detailed plant design/construction	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned as per the Decommissioning Plan, submitted in 2009.
393:M8.1	Decommissioning	The proponent shall carry out satisfactory decommissioning of the project, removal of installations and rehabilitation of the site and environs.	Most of the infrastructure on site has been decommissioned with the exception of the office, warehouse, wastewater treatment plant, fire water and infrastructure related to the Alinta power station. Ongoing work regarding contamination and its source continues with results from this work giving a better understanding of	Approved decommissioning and rehabilitation plan	Decommissioning	Until satisfactory to DWER	C	The updated Boodarie Closure Plan (Revision 5.0) was received by DWER in April 2025.

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			where rehabilitation can commence in FY2018 or at a later date.					
393:M8.2	Decommissioning	At least 6 months prior to commencing decommissioning the proponent shall prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan to achieve the objectives of condition M8.1.	Decommissioning and rehabilitation plan prepared and approved by the DEC in 2006 and updated in 2011. Update decommissioning and rehabilitation plans to address closure of all Project Facilities at Boodarie Iron owned by BHP; not including Alinta facilities to be submitted in FY2018 for approval.	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Decommissioning	At least 6 months prior to commencing decommissioning	CLD	The updated Boodarie Closure Plan (Revision 5.0) was received by DWER in April 2025.
393:M8.3	Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the plan required by condition 8.2.	Implement Decommissioning and Rehabilitation plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Decommissioning	Throughout decommissioning	C	The updated Boodarie Closure Plan (Revision 5.0) was received by DWER in April 2025.
393:M9	Time Limit on Approval	If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of the statement, then approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five year referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.	Submit an application to the Minister for the Environment by way of request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* if the project has not substantially commenced within five years of the date of the statement.	Application under Section 46 of the EP Act.	Construction	If construction not started within 5 years of statement being issued.	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:M10	Compliance auditing	The proponent shall submit periodic "Progress and Compliance Reports", in accordance with the audit programme prepared by the Department of Environmental Protection in consultation with the proponent.	BHP to prepare periodic progress and Compliance Reports for inclusion in the BHP Annual Environmental Report.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Periodically throughout the life of the project,	C	Required details are included in this report.
393:P1	Pre-Construction	All supervisory construction personnel will be instructed in the protection of cultural and ecological resources in the project area and will be briefed on all agreed commitments, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Personnel working on decommissioning and rehabilitation to receive an induction which references Aboriginal Heritage Sites; PEAHR review by Heritage team for all new land disturbance	Compliance Assessment Report	Pre-construction	Overall	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned and is in closure phase.
393:P2	Pre-Construction - Aboriginal sites	Once a final design is complete a final Aboriginal Heritage Survey will be conducted. Appropriate approvals will be obtained from the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs should any disturbance to any archaeological or ethnographic sites be required. This will be to the satisfaction of the Aboriginal Sites Department.	Aboriginal heritage surveys	Survey reports	Pre-construction	Prior to construction	CLD	Five studies related to Aboriginal heritage were conducted at the site between 1994 and 2003.
393:P3	Pre-Construction - EMP	An Environmental Management Plan will be prepared and approved by the Department of Environmental Protection prior to construction activities commencing. Issues addressed will include monitoring, reporting, rehabilitation and control of feral fauna and declared species of flora. Management of other flora and fauna including environmentally significant weeds will be addressed, in consultation with the Department of Conservation and Land Management.	Proponent to develop an Environmental Management Plan to address issues detailed and submit to the DEP prior to commencing construction activities.	Approved Environmental Management Plan	Pre-construction	Prior to construction	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned and is in closure phase.
393:P4	Construction	The limits of construction activities will be determined by BHP DRI with activities restricted to, and confined within, those limits. All construction vehicle movements outside the construction area will be restricted, where practicable, to predesignated roads and tracks. This will be to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan for site	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P5	Construction - Fires	The contractor will be instructed to do everything reasonable within its power to prevent and suppress fires on or near the development site. BHP DRI will also comply with Bushfire Board requirements. This will be to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.

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393:P6	Construction - Crossings with infrastructure	The contractor will be required to maintain suitable crossings for all roads, trails and fences that will be affected during construction and operation activities, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P7	Construction - Aboriginal Sites	Should any archaeological sites be identified during construction activities, BHP DRI recognize its responsibilities under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972-1990* to cease activities that may impact on the site and to Initiate discussions with the Aboriginal Sites Department on an appropriate course of action.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P8	Construction - Waste materials	All waste materials generated during construction activities will be disposed of in a manner satisfactory to DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P9	Construction - Access ways	No new access ways will be constructed where existing access is available and suitable for BHP DRI purposes. This will minimise ground disturbance and limit unauthorised access. This will be to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P10	Construction - Vegetation clearing	During construction of the pipelines, transmission lines, conveyor and access roads BHP DRI will only remove vegetation that is essential for construction purposes, or the safe operation of the infrastructure, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P11	Construction - Borrow pits	Wherever possible existing borrow pits will be used. If new sites are required those will be sited, excavated and rehabilitated according to the standards set out in the "BHP - Newman Guidelines and Objectives for Borrow Pit Development and Rehabilitation", to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P12	Construction - Noise	BHP DRI recognize its obligations under the noise provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to take corrective actions to ensure noise levels comply with current standards.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P13	Construction - Dust	Appropriate dust control measures, such as spraying of exposed surfaces with water, will be implemented should dust levels prove to be an issue, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P14	Construction - Fauna	Should important species of fauna be located on the site, discussions will be held with CALM on appropriate management techniques, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not Applicable, Construction Complete	Approved Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Construction	Not applicable, construction complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P15	Post Construction - Repair damage to infrastructure	Any roads, fences or trails that may be damaged as a result of construction work will be repaired, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Complete	Ongoing Maintenance on site	Construction	Complete	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P16	Post Construction - Rehabilitation	All areas not required for permanent facilities outside of the project boundaries, will be rehabilitated consistent with the EMP, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Ongoing	As part of the rehab and decommissioning plan	Overall	Before revised decommissioning plan is implemented	C	Part of the ongoing decommissioning and rehabilitation plan.
393:P17	Post Construction - Air quality monitoring	During operations, air quality monitoring will be carried out to ensure compliance with EPA standards. This will include ambient air monitoring as outlined in the EMP approved by the DEP. Corrective action will be taken if emissions are exceeded. This will be to the satisfaction of the DEP. In addition monitoring and corrective action will be taken to address fugitive dust emissions, , to the satisfaction of the DEP.	No longer applicable site has no longer has a Part V License	Ongoing Groundwater and surface water monitoring will continue during decommissioning. Continue reporting in the AER	Overall	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	In consultation with OEPA and in recognition that the plant was fully decommissioned, this activity ceased as of 1 July 2015.

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393:P18	Post Construction - Surface water quality	During operations, a suitable surface water quality monitoring programme will be instituted and corrective action will be taken if unacceptable impacts are identified, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Monitoring program in place	Ongoing Groundwater and surface water monitoring will continue during decommissioning. Continue reporting in the AER	Overall	Commencing construction/pre-commissioning	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P19	Post Construction - Groundwater quality	Implement a suitable groundwater quality monitoring programme together with any necessary corrective action if unacceptable impacts are identified, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	(As per the approved EMP)	Groundwater and surface water monitoring will continue during decommissioning. Continue reporting in the AER	Overall	Commencing construction/pre-commissioning	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P20	Post Construction - Brine discharge	The physical behaviour of brine discharge will be quantified through the monitoring programme. If unacceptable environmental impacts are identified corrective action will be taken, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	(As per the approved EMP - M4.1:7)	No brine being discharged on site due to decommissioning of plant	Overall	Not applicable - Construction, commissioning	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P21	Post Construction - Solid and liquid wastes	Solid or liquid wastes generated during operation and maintenance activities will either be recycled or disposed of in an approved manner, to the satisfaction of the DEP. The proponent will monitor and report on all site-generated aqueous discharges (excluding storm water runoff) to the environment in consultation with the Water Authority.	(As per the approved EMP)	Annual reporting in the AER	Overall	Not applicable - Construction, commissioning	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P22	Post Construction - Emergency Response	Prior to commissioning, an Emergency Response Plan will be prepared to address issues relating to the release of hydrogen sulphide, fires, gas leaks and explosions. Employees will be trained in the Emergency Response Plan, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not applicable	Plant removed from site	Post Construction	Not applicable - operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P23	Post Construction - Community education programme	Prior to commissioning, a community education programme will be developed and implemented to ensure the community is fully informed on issues relating to the potential release of hydrogen sulphide, fires, gas leaks and explosions, to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not applicable	Plant removed from site	Post Construction	Not applicable - operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P24	Post Construction - Employee noise exposure	A noise monitoring, documentation and employee education programme will be introduced at the start of plant operation to ensure minimum employee exposure to high noise levels. This will be to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P25:1	Post Construction - Hazardous materials	A hazardous materials management programme will be developed, introduced and maintained to the satisfaction of the DEP.	Not applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - operation	CLD	There were no hazardous materials on site during this reporting period.
393:P26	Post Construction - Ballast water	The proponent will make its best endeavour to see that all vessels associated with the HBI project will comply with the "Voluntary guideline for ballast water and sediment discharge from overseas vessels entering Australian waters" or the “Draft Australian Ballast Water Management Strategy".	No longer applicable	No ballast water on site	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P27	Post Construction - HAZOP	Prior to commissioning, the proponent shall conduct a final HAZOP and also include a hazardous zone classification for the plant.	Complete	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P28	Post Construction - Limestone engravings	The proponent will carry out air quality monitoring and take corrective action if any adverse impacts are identified from the project affecting the limestone engravings.	No longer applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P29	Post Construction - Cargill Salt operation	The proponent will take corrective action if any adverse environmental impacts on Cargill Salt operation are identified from the project.	No longer applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.

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393:P30	Post Construction - Dust	The proponent will implement the dust control measures as proposed in Appendix 9, and install dust control system sufficient to mitigate identified real environmental impacts.	No longer applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P31	Post Construction - Other agencies' Post Construction - requirements	The proponent will consult with DOME and the Water Authority to ensure engineering design and statutory requirements for the concentrator residue impoundment are met.	Complete	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Commissioning, operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P32	Post Construction - Stormwater runoff	The Benfield surge solution concrete pond or tank, and the sediment traps for the storm water run-off will be designed in consultation with the Water Authority.	Complete	Part of the decommissioning plan	Post Construction	All phases	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P33	Post Construction - Hydrogen sulphide	The proponent will take measures in the project design to minimize the impacts of hydrogen sulphide, including redesigning the stack configuration to allow injection of hydrogen sulphide-containing CO_2 stream into the hot exhaust stack from the Recycle Gas Heaters and specifying redundant pumps and fans for the desulphurization system.	Complete	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Detailed design	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P34	Post Construction - Noise	The proponent will ensure all plant items purchased for this project will meet the sound power levels assumed for the noise modelling carried out by the consultant (Sound and Vibration Technology, 1994).	Complete	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Purchase of plant components	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.
393:P35	Post Construction - Greenhouse gases	The proponent, through BHP, will aim to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases per unit of production (in particular, carbon dioxide and methane) through increased energy efficiencies and more efficient use of fossil fuels in its production processes and other activities, where these programmes are technically and economically viable.	No longer applicable	Plant removed from site.	Post Construction	Not applicable - Operation	CLD	Plant has been decommissioned.

3.3 Ministerial Statements 439 and 1012

3.3.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statements 439 and 1012 - Orebody 18 Iron Ore Mine for the FY2026 reporting period.

The Orebody 18 operation is located approximately 32 kilometres east of the township of Newman in the Shire of East Pilbara and is situated at the east end of Ophthalmia Range in the regional vicinity of BHPs Wheelarra Hill (Jimblebar) mining operation. Conventional open-cut mining methods are employed to recover bedrock ore from selected deposits, which is then transported to the crushing plant for stockpiling at the train loadout facilities. Crushed ore is then transported via rail to Newman Hub for further processing and blending, prior to being transported by rail to Port Hedland for shipping.

The Orebody 18 operations are situated on Crown land within Mineral Lease 244SA (ML244SA) granted pursuant to the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*.

3.3.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The Orebody 18 Iron Ore Mine was approved via Ministerial Statement 439 and 1012 and is operational.

Ministerial Statement 439 (MS439) was originally approved on 5 February 1997. The Ministerial Statement 1012 (MS1012) was approved on 7 August 2015, for the purpose of adding an additional Condition set 8 for Offsets. The initiation of the new MS1012 was the result of a modification to the original proposal, approved via Ministerial Statement 439.

On 19 December 2023, the Jimblebar Significant Amendment (MS1262) was submitted to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment, with the proposal to expand and amalgamate MS439 and MS1012 with MS1021 and MS1126. MS1262 was approved by the EPA on 8 December 2025, and MS439 and MS1012 were therefore superseded at the time of approval.

3.3.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Orebody 18 Iron Ore Mine
Statement Numbers	439 and 1012
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 7 December 2025		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 439 and 1012 - Orebody 18 Iron Ore Mine audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 439 and 1012 during the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.3.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statements 439 and 1012 and covers:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS439 and 1012 Audit Table.

Table 3-7 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Orebody 18 operation. The total clearing undertaken from the approval date through to 7 December 2025 was 748.97 ha. This amount is less than the approved limit of 793 ha. Table 3-8 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category until both MS439 and MS1012 were superseded on 8 December 2025. Table 3-9 describes the compliance status of Orebody 18 against MS439 and MS1012 until both MS439 and MS1012 were superseded on 8 December 2025.

Table 3-7 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS439 and 1012

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Pit Voids	261.33	261.33
Overburden Storage Areas	135.50	135.50
Ore Stockpiles	47.83	47.83
Other Disturbance[1]	304.31	304.31
Total	**748.97**	**748.97**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.20	0.20
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	124.13	126.58
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**124.33**	**126.78**

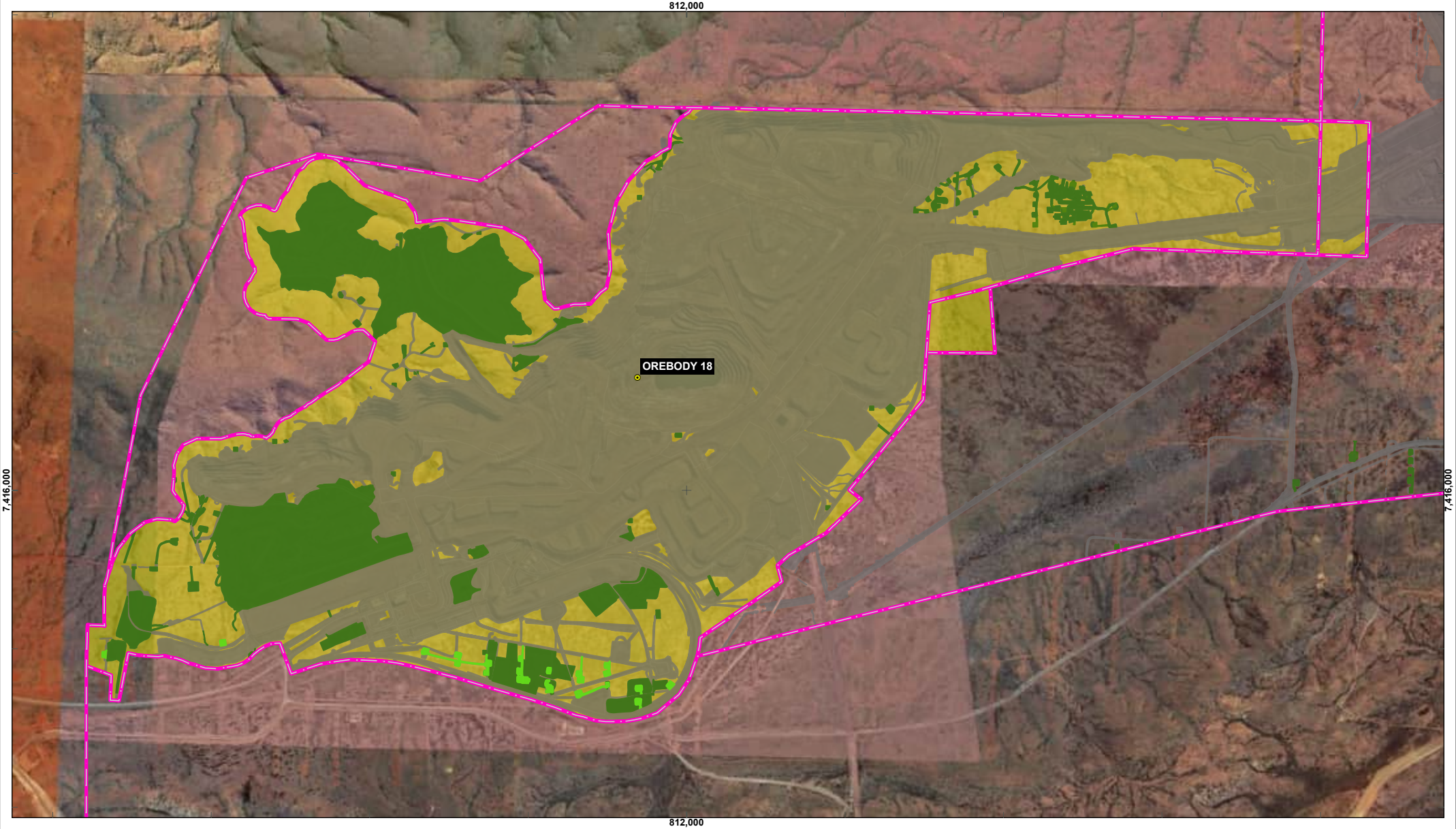
NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

[1] Other Disturbance includes infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, processing plants, haul and access roads and railway), supporting facilities (borrow pits, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition.

Table 3-8 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS439 and 1012

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	83.44
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.71
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	52.06
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	5.75
8	Plant site	2.63
9	Fuel storage facility	0.35
10	Workshop	2.36
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	70.90
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	6.27
14	Dam fresh water	2.18
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	42.08
16	Sewage pond	0.38
17	Run-of-mine pad	62.76
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	1.43
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	137.94
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	190.43
22	Laydown or hardstand area	4.32
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.00
25	Borefield	0.40
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	48.26
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	14.13
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	118.13
30	Topsoil stockpile	20.19
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	8.65
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO: 439(1012) - OB18 (JIMBLEBAR)

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

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Statement Compliance Section
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Statement 439 and 1012

Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DMIRS= Department of Mines, Industry and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER), DBCA = Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
439:M1	Commitments	In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments made in the Consultative Environmental Review and in response to issues raised following public submissions, provided that the commitments and environmental management measures are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement. In the event of any inconsistency, the conditions or procedures will prevail to the extent of the inconsistency. A copy of the environmental management commitments (December 1996) is attached.	In implementing the proposal, fulfil the commitments made in the Consultative Environmental Review.	Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Ongoing	C	Nil.
439:M2.1	The Proposal	Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal.	Adhere to the proposal in the form approved by the Minister for the Environment.	Implementation of proposal in compliance with requirements outlined in Condition M2.1	Overall	Ongoing	C	The proposal was implemented in accordance with the requirements outlined in Condition M2.1.
439:M2.2	The Proposal	Where in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way the Minister for the Environment determines on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not environmentally substantial, those changes may be affected.	Submit a written request detailing the changes to designs, specifications, plans or other technical material	Written request detailing changes to designs, specifications, plans or other technical material	Overall	Ongoing	CLD	The proposal was implemented in accordance with the requirements outlined in Condition M2.1.
439:M3	Proponent	No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of the Statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.	Letter to the Minister for the Environment together with a copy of the statement endorsed by the replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement	Copy of Letter to the Minister	Overall	Ongoing	C	The current proponent remains BHP Iron Ore.
439:M4.1	Environmental Management	The proponent shall exercise all care and due diligence in managing the proposal to ensure the protection of the environment.	Provide documentation on request on relevant key components of EMS, agreed in consultation with EPA, such as: policy, resources, environmental management programme, training, monitoring, corrective/preventative action, periodic audit of the system and management review/feedback.	EMS documentation	Design	Ongoing	C	BHP has implemented an Environmental Management Framework for its operations that is certified to Australian/New Zealand Standard ISO14001. BHP was successfully recertified in May 2026.
439:M4.2	Environmental management system	The proponent shall prepare and implement an Environmental Management Plan and environmental management procedures in order to implement the proposal and shall manage the relevant environmental factors to achieve the objectives (Section 3, Environmental Protection Authority (Bulletin 840)) with appropriate monitoring, auditing and reporting to ensure compliance with these conditions and procedures and the ongoing protection of the environment.	Prepare and implement Environmental Management Plan and environmental management procedures.	Orebody 17/18 Environmental Management Plan	Overall	Ongoing	C	As part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment, an updated Environmental Management Plan has been submitted to DWER on 19 December 2023. Following this approval, the requirement for an amalgamated

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								Environmental Management Plan is no longer required as the MS439 and MS1012 commitments have been superseded by the EMP commitments under MS1262.
439:M4.3	Environmental management	The plan referred to in condition 4-2 shall adopt quality assurance principles (such as those adopted in ISO 9000 series) and environmental management principles (such as those adopted in ISO 14000 series [draft]), with appropriate monitoring, auditing and reporting to ensure compliance with these conditions and procedures and the ongoing protection of the environment.	Environmental Management Plan shall adopt quality assurance principles and environmental management principles with appropriate monitoring auditing and reporting to ensure compliance with conditions and procedures.	Environmental Management Plan	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP has developed and implemented an Environmental Management Framework for its operations that is certified to Australian/New Zealand Standard ISO 14001.
439:M4.4	Environmental management	If through the implementation of the environmental management procedure referred to in condition 4-2, the proponent identifies a relevant environmental factor not listed as such in the Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 840, the proponent shall immediately report to the Minister for the Environment on that factor, providing a proposed objective and the suggested means of managing the factor to achieve the objective.	Report to the Minister any environmental factors not listed as such in the Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 840.	Report to Minister	Operation	Ongoing	C	No additional environmental factors of significance have been identified during the FY2026 reporting period.
439:M5.1	Decommissioning	The proponent shall achieve the satisfactory decommissioning of the project, removal of plant and installations and rehabilitation of the site and environs.	Implement the decommissioning and rehabilitation plan	Satisfactory decommissioning	Decommissioning	Ongoing	NR	The project is still in operation and infrastructure is still in use at Orebody 17/18. Progressive rehabilitation opportunities are identified in the 5-year rehabilitation planning process.
439:M5.2	Decommissioning plan	To achieve the objective of condition 5.1, within five years following commissioning, or at such later time considered appropriate by the Minister for the Environment on advice of DEP, the proponent shall prepare a plan which: 1) describes the process for the decommissioning and rehabilitation of the project area; 2) provides for the long term management of water quality; and 3) provides for the development of a 'walk away' solution for the decommissioned mine pits, overburden storage areas, the ore processing facilities and associated infrastructure including the rail spur. to the requirements of the EPA on advice of the DEP, the Department of Resources Development, The Department Minerals and Resources and the Water and Rivers Commission.	Prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan to the requirements of the OEPA.	Rehabilitation plan	Overall	Within five years following commissioning, or at such later time considered appropriate by the Min. Env on advice from DEP	C	Orebody 17/18 Mine Closure Plan (MCP) (Revision 1, 2016), was reviewed and submitted to the OEPA in February 2016. The amalgamated Orebody 17/18/31 MCP (Revision 0, July 2018) was submitted to DWER for assessment on 13 August 2018 and confirmation received by DWER on 15 October 2018. The triennial update for the Orebody 17/18/31 MCP (Revision 1, January 2022) was submitted to DWER for assessment, for which comments have not been received. A new revision of the Jimblebar MCP is required following the approval of MS1262 in December 2025. The new MCP will amalgamate the Orebodies area with the remainer of Jimblebar operations, in accordance with the new development envelope and conditions of MS1262.
439:M5.3	Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the plan required by condition 5.2.	Implement Plan	Plan implemented	Decommissioning	Ongoing	C	The amalgamated Orebody 17/18/31 MCP (Revision 1,

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								January 2022) is currently being implemented. A new revision of the Jimblebar MCP is required following the approval of MS1262 in December 2025. The new MCP will combine the Orebodies area with the rest of Jimblebar, in accordance with the new development envelope and conditions of MS1262.
439:M6	Time Limit on Approval	If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of the statement, then approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five years referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment. Where the proponent demonstrates to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of DEP that the environmental parameters of the proposal have not changed significantly, then the Minister may grant an extension not exceeding five years.	By application to the Minister for the Environment. An extension may be granted, not exceeding five years, if the proponent demonstrates that the environmental parameters of the proposal have not changed significantly	Letter granting extension if required	Design	Within 5 years of the date of this statement	CLD	The project commenced within 5 years of the date of the Statement.
439:M7	Performance and compliance reports	To help determine environmental performance and compliance with the conditions, periodic reports on the implementation of the proposal are required. The proponent shall submit periodic Performance and Compliance Reports, in accordance with the audit programme prepared by the Department of Environmental Protection in consultation with the proponent.	Provide details of environmental performance and compliance in the Annual Environment Report	BHP Annual Environment Report (AER).	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP considers that this AER provides adequate information on the environmental performance and compliance with conditions along with periodic reports on implementation of the proposal as required.
439:P1	Environmental Management Programme	The proponent shall prepare, to a timetable agreed upon by the Department of Environmental Protection and implement an Environmental Management Programme (EMP) for the Orebody 18 Project to the satisfaction of the EPA, on advice from the DEP and The Department Minerals and Energy.	Prepare an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Orebody 18 Project and submit to the EPA. Implement the EMP.	Written endorsement of the EMP received from the EPA. Compliance to the EMP reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Design	Ongoing	C	The Programme is outlined in the Environmental Management Plan. The Environmental Orebody 17/18 Environmental Management Plan, Rev 4, 2014 was reviewed and updated November 2014.
439:P2	Environmental Management Programme	The EMP will be developed in accordance with statutory conditions applied to the approved operations.	Develop EMP in accordance with statutory conditions applied to the approved operations.	Comment as per 439:P1.	Overall	Ongoing	C	See comment in Section 439:P1.
439:P3	Environmental Management Programme	The EMP will be reviewed and updated as necessary.	Review and update EMP as necessary.	Comment as per 439:P1.	Overall	Ongoing	C	The Environmental Orebody 17/18 Environmental Management Plan, Rev 4, 2014 was reviewed and updated November 2014.
1012:8-1	Offsets	The proponent shall contribute funds to offset the clearing of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley and Fortescue IBRA subregions, calculated pursuant to condition 8-3. This funding shall be provided to a government-established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 8-2, 8-3 and 8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for the July 2022 – June 2024 reporting period was submitted on 1 October 2024. The IRR invoice was received on 26 May 2025 and paid on 25 June 2025.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
								The next IRR will be submitted in 2026.
1012:8-2	Offsets	Condition 8-1 does not apply to clearing of native vegetation authorised under Ministerial Statement 439 prior to 3 February 2015, as detailed in Attachment 2 to Ministerial Statement 439.	The exemption stipulated in condition 8-2 will be accounted for in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO (or delegate)	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to 7 February 2016.	C	WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) (February 2023, Version 2.3) has been endorsed by DWER on 6 September 2023 and covers the requirements of MS1012.
1012:8-3	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement identified in condition 8-1 shall be paid biennially, the first payment due two years after the commencement of clearing authorised for the proposal under section 45C of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* on 3 February 2015, as detailed in Attachment 3 to Ministerial Statement 439. The amount of funding will be made on the following basis and in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5. 1. $750 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; and 2. $1500 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 8-2, 8-3 and 8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities as detailed in Attachment 3 to Ministerial Statement 439.	C	The IRR for the July 2022 – June 2024 reporting period was submitted on 1 October 2024. The IRR invoice was received on 26 May 2025 and paid on 25 June 2025. The next IRR will be submitted in 2026.
1012:8-4	Offsets	The real value of contributions described in condition 8-3 will be maintained through indexation to the Perth CPI, with the first adjustment to be applied to the first payment.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 8-2, 8-3 and 8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities as detailed in Attachment 3 to Ministerial Statement 439.	C	See comment in Section 1012:8-1.
1012:8-5	Offsets	The proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO within six months of the date of this Statement.	Prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO (or delegate) submitting the Impact Reconciliation Procedure. Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5 received from the CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to 7 February 2016.	CLD	See comment in Section 1012:8-2.
1012:8-6	Offsets	In the event that additional clearing is authorised for the proposal, the proponent shall revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5 to the satisfaction of the CEO within six months of that clearing being authorised.	Revise and re-submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure	Copy of correspondence to CEO submitting the Impact Reconciliation Procedure. Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5 received from the CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Within six months of additional clearing being authorised.	NR	No additional clearing has been authorised for the proposal within the reporting period.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1012:8-7	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5, or revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-6, shall: 1. include a methodology for identifying 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley and Fortescue IBRA subregions; 2. include a methodology for calculating the area of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the Hamersley and Fortescue IBRA subregions for each biennial time period, and for which contributions shall be made to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement as required by condition 8-1; 3. include the submission of spatial data identifying the areas of 'good to excellent' native vegetation cleared within the Hamersley and Fortescue I BRA subregions for each biennial time period; and 4. state dates for the commencement of the biennial time period and for the submission of results of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure, to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the requirements of condition 8-7.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 8-5 received from the CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to 7 February 2016.	C	See comment in Section 1012:8-2.

3.4 Ministerial Statement 478

3.4.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 478 - Newman Satellite Development - Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table for the FY2026 reporting period.

Orebody 23 is located approximately 13 kilometres northeast of Newman adjacent to the confluence of Homestead Creek with the Upper Fortescue River and downstream of Ophthalmia Dam. Approval to commence mining below the water table at Orebody 23 was granted by the Minister for Environment under Statement 478 Newman Satellite Development – Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table (8 June 1998) following regulatory and stakeholder review of the BHP Billiton Iron Ore Consultative Environmental Review (CER) Newman Satellite Development – Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table. Mining at Orebody 23 ceased in 2011.

3.4.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 478 - Newman Satellite Development - Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table status is decommissioned. Mining at OB23 ceased in 2011 and the pit is currently progressing to rehabilitation. There have been no applications submitted to change or amend Ministerial Statement 478 within the FY2026 reporting period.

Orebody 23 forms part of BHPs Eastern Ridge mining hub (along with Orebodies 24, 25 and 32). Ministerial Statement 478 was not superseded by the Eastern Ridge Revised Proposal submission in FY2016 and subsequent approval under Ministerial Statement 1037 in FY2017, due to Orebody 23 approaching the decommissioning phase in the coming years.

The Orebody 23 Environmental Management Plan Revision 4 (BHP, 2008) was prepared to meet Proponent Commitment No. 7 of MS 478. This plan addressed a range of factors including 'rehabilitation' and 'decommissioning'. The plan states that 'at least 12 months prior to the cessation of mining, a final closure plan will be developed for review by the Department of Environmental Protection and implemented'. BHP considers that the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan (ER MCP) addresses this requirement, and Ver 3.1 of the ER MCP was submitted to DWER/DMPE on 26 October 2022.

3.4.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Ministerial Statement 478 - Newman Satellite Development - Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table
Statement Number	478
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☐ Operation	☑ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 478 - Newman Satellite Development - Mining of Orebody 23 Below the Water Table audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There was one non-compliance with Ministerial Statement 478 identified within the FY2026 reporting period. The details are provided in the following table.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
478:P7 – OB23 Environmental Management Plan			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Non-compliant due to usage of new methods to achieve tree health monitoring which are not explicitly listed in the Environmental Management Plan for the satellite Orebody 23 (OB23).			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
July 2025-May 2026			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☑ Yes	☑ Reported to DWER verbally ☑ Reported to DWER in writing	Date 14/08/2024 Date 30/09/2015 to OEPA via the FY2015 AER and each subsequent AER.	☐ No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
In the OB23 Environmental Management Plan 2008 BHP specified the heat pulse method being used to directly measure water use in trees. BHP met the intent of this condition by conducting a comprehensive tree health monitoring program in Homestead Creek. The			

monitoring has been undertaken every year since Ministerial Statement 478 was approved. The monitoring program has verified that dewatering activities have not had any known adverse impact on the tree health within the Creek.
What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)
Refer to Figure 2 of Ministerial Statement 478.
What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
BHP has amended the methodology utilised to conduct the tree health monitoring program since the Ministerial Statement was approved. BHP continued to meet the intent of this condition by conducting a tree health monitoring program in Homestead Creek. OB23 Environmental Management Plan was updated with the current methodology and was submitted to DWER on the 28 May 2026.
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
The current methodology used to verify the impact of dewatering has been updated in the OB23 Environmental Management Plan, and the EMP was sent to DWER on the 28 May 2026.
What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?
The current methodology used to verify the impact of dewatering on tree health was used and it has proven to be a robust approach to date. The methodology has now been updated in the OB23 Environmental Management Plan.
Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:
BHP updated the OB23 Environmental Management Plan with the updated methodologies and sent it to DWER on the 28 May 2026.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

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3.4.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

The table below outlines AER reporting commitments stated in the OB23 Environmental Management Plan (2008) relevant to the post mining status of OB23:

Table 3-10 MS478 - OB23 Environmental Management Plan post mining requirements

Commitment	Compliance Status
Commitment 2: Water Monitoring BHP will supplement existing water monitoring system to measure water table levels throughout the Ethel Gorge wellfield. Additionally, the quality of the water will be measured at various strategic locations throughout the system. Monitoring will take place during the mining/dewatering phase and after cessation of mining for a period of time until the aquifer has reached near pre-mining levels.	Ethel gorge aquifer and surrounding areas are monitored in accordance with the GWL Operating Strategy for Ophthalmia Borefield and the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP Version 6.1).
Commitment 3: Pit water Monitoring BHP will monitor the quality of the water in the pit and adjacent aquifer following the completion of mining at OB23.	In addition to the monitoring conducted in accordance with the GWL Operating Strategy for Eastern Ridge (Version 5.0, August 2025) and EPWRMP, while OB23 is undergoing backfill and closure, water levels from OB23 are monitored at licensed discharge points in accordance with DWER Operating Licence L6942/1997/13. There has been no abstraction from the Production Bores at OB23 the past 3 years, however we continue to monitor water levels.
Commitment 4: Pit Water Management A salinity 'trigger' level for Ethel Gorge aquifer monitoring program will be set at a value that corresponds to a statistically 20 per cent increase on background levels where the increase corresponds to similar salinity increases in the flooded pit (as measured by Total Dissolved Solids). Mitigation measures will be implemented when statistically significant sustainable levels in excess of 50 per cent increase are recorded over a period of 12 months and correspond to similar salinity increases in the flooded pit.	OB23 has been backfilled to above the water table and dewatering is no longer occurring. Accordingly, there is no ongoing groundwater use associated with OB23 that could activate the mitigation requirements of this commitment. No relevant trigger exceedances were identified during FY2026.

This remainder of this section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 478 and covers:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Table 3-11 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS478

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Pit Voids	18.18	18.18
Overburden Storage Areas	27.14	27.14
Other Disturbance[1]	55.57	55.84
Total	**100.90**	**101.16**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2024 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0	0
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	21.81	24.76
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**21.81**	**24.76**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

[1] Other Disturbance includes infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, processing plants, haul and access roads and railway), supporting facilities (borrow pits, ore stockpiles, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition.

Table 3-12 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS478

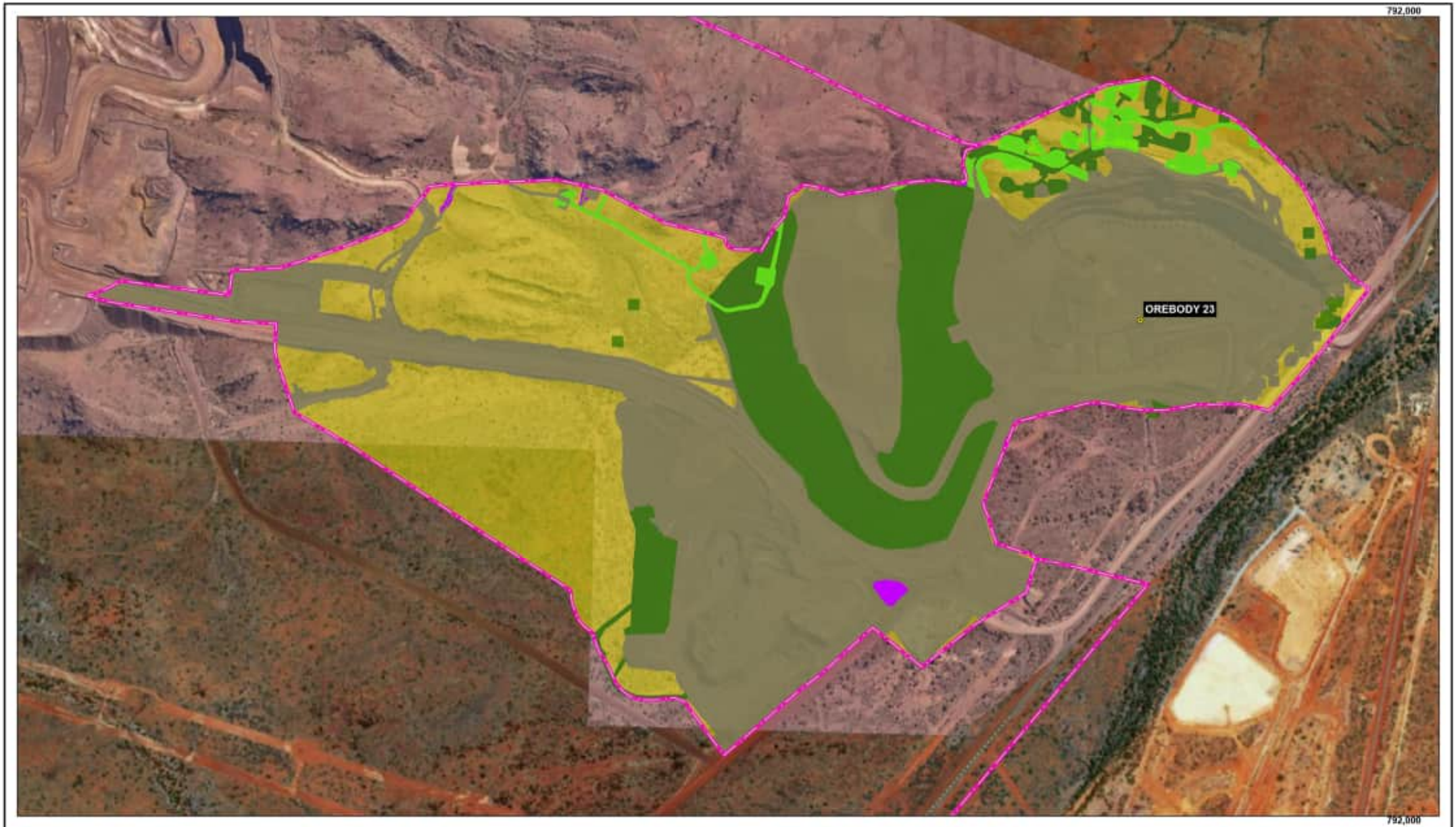
MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June FY2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	26.64
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.50
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.15
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	1.14
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.00
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	20.49
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	18.18
22	Laydown or hardstand area	2.92
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.01
25	Bore field	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	7.84
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	6.34
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	22.00
30	Topsoil stockpile	16.96
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	2.76
32	Not Applicable	0.00

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Compliance to MS478 Key Characteristics Tables

Table 3-13 Ministerial Statement 478 Key Characteristics Table

Element	Description of Proposal	Compliance Status	Evidence
Life of Project	Until the end of 2032	C	N/A
Ore Reserves	12 Mt	C	N/A
Ore Mining Rate	Not applicable	C	Mining production has ceased at Orebody 23.
Overburden	Not applicable	C	N/A
Average Stripping rates	Not applicable	C	N/A
Pit Depth (below existing plain level)	140 m	C	Pit depth at OB23 has not exceeded 140 metres below existing plain level.
Pit Area	32 ha	C	See Table 3-11 above
Overburden Storage Area	105 ha	C	See Table 3-11 above
Total Area Disturbed	Not more than 137 ha within a maximum disturbance boundary of 150 ha (as shown in Figure 3)	C	See Table 3-11 above
Water Abstraction	38,000 kL per day (maximum)	C	No dewatering occurred at OB23 for FY2026.
Ore Processing and Train Loading	Not applicable	C	No ore was mined from Orebody 23 during the FY2026 reporting period.



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO:
478 - OB23 (Eastern Ridge)

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:10,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS	FIGURE:	1
DATE:	19/06/2026	REGISTER:	ES&G	NO:	A1455/004A

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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
478:M1:1	Proposal Implementation	Subject to these conditions and procedures, the proponent shall implement the project as documented in schedule 1 of this statement.	Implement the project in accordance with the conditions and schedules of this statement.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Ongoing	C	Reported through the Annual Environmental Report. Non-compliances to the conditions of this statement have been included in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR).
478:M1.2	Changes to the proposal	Where in the course of implementing the proposal, the proponent seeks to change any aspect of the proposal as documented in schedule 1 of this statement in any way that the Minister for the Environment determines, on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not substantial, those changes may be effected.	Submit a written request to the Minister detailing changes to the proposal.	Letter detailing changes to proposal	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP submitted to the CEO of the OEPA requests to; extend the life and maximum disturbance boundary of Orebody 23 Mine (approved September 2010) and the life of project and ore mining rate (approved December 2012). No changes to the proposal have occurred since 2012.
478:M2.1	Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall implement the consolidated environmental management commitments documented in schedule 2 of this statement.	Implement the project in accordance with the consolidated environmental commitments in Schedule 2 of statement 478.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP has met the intent of the requirements of the environmental management commitments. Specific details are provided in the CAR.
478:M2.2	Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall implement subsequent consolidated environmental management commitments which the proponent makes as part of the fulfilment of conditions and procedures in this statement.	Implement the project in accordance with any subsequent consolidated environmental management commitments which are made by BHP as part of the fulfilment of conditions and procedures of statement 478.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP has met the intent of the requirements of the environmental management commitments. Specific details are provided in the CAR.
478:M3.1	Environmental Management System	In order to manage environmental impacts of the project, and to fulfil the requirements of conditions and procedures in this statement, prior to construction, the proponent shall demonstrate, to the requirements of the Environmental Protection Authority on advice of the DEP that there is in place an environmental management system which includes the following elements: 1) Environmental policy and commitment; 2) Planning of environmental requirements; 3) Implementation and operation of environmental requirements; 4) Measurement and evaluation of environmental performance; and 5) Review and improvement of environmental outcomes.	Develop an EMS that includes the following elements: 1) Environmental policy and commitment; 2) Planning of environmental requirements; 3) Implementation and operation of environmental requirements; 4) Measurement and evaluation of environmental performance; 5) Review and improvement of environmental outcomes.	HSE Management System	Design	Prior to commencement of the construction phase	CLD	BHP maintains a comprehensive ISO14001 certified EMS.
478:M3.2	Environmental Management System	The proponent shall Implement the environmental management system referred to in condition 3-1.	Implement the HSE Management System.	HSE Management System	Overall	Ongoing	C	BHP maintains a comprehensive ISO14001 certified EMS.
478:M4.1	Performance Review	Within two years following commencement of mining below the water table, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Performance Review to evaluate the environmental performance relevant to: 1) Environmental objectives reported on in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 888; 2) proponent's consolidated environmental management commitments documented in schedule 2 of this statement 2 and those arising from the fulfilment of conditions and procedures in this statement; 3) environmental management system environmental management targets; 4) Environmental Management Programs and Plans; and	Prepare and submit a Performance Review.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Within two years following commencement of mining below the water table.	CLD	Submitted as part of the FY2008 Orebody 23 and 25 Annual Environment Report.

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		5) Environmental performance indicators.						
478:M5.1	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for the Environment, under section 38(6) or (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* is responsible for the implementation of the project until such time as the Minister for the Environment has exercised the Minister's power under section 38(7) of the Act to revoke nomination of the proponent and nominate another person in respect of the proposal.	Notify CEO of the Environmental Protection Authority regarding transfer of proponent.	Letter applying to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority regarding transfer of proponent.	Overall	Ongoing	C	The current proponent remains BHP Iron Ore.
478:M5.2	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	Any request for the exercise of the Minister's power referred to in condition 5-1 shall be accompanied by a copy of this statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the proposal in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.	Notify CEO of Environmental Protection Authority regarding transfer of proponent.	Letter applying to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority regarding transfer of proponent.	Overall	Prior to transfer of ownership or control of the proposal.	C	The current proponent remains BHP Iron Ore.
478:M5.3	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the Minister for the Environment of any change of name or address within 30 days of such change.	Notify CEO of the Environmental Protection Authority of any change to contact name and or address.	Letter notifying the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 30 days of the change.	NR	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
478:M6.1	Time Limit of Authorisation	The proponent shall provide evidence to the Minister for the Environment within five years of the date of this statement that the proposal has been substantially commenced.	Provide written advice to CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority demonstrating the commencement of the Proposal.	Letter to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority.	Construction	Within 5 years from the issuance of this statement.	CLD	Environmental approval for a period of 5 years was granted on 8 June 1998. An extension for substantial commencement was confirmed by the OEPA on 4 October 2001 to allow for the completion of a regional stygofauna survey. The project was substantially commenced in March 2006, prior to the extension date of 4 October 2006, as per the FY2007 Orebody 23 and 25 AER and letter 'Re: SUBSTANTIALLY COMMENCED: MINISTERIAL STATEMENT 478, NEWMAN SATELLITE DEVELOPMENT - MINING OF OREBODY 23 BELOW THE WATER- TABLE.' to the DEC dated 3 October 2006.
478:M6.2	Time Limit of Authorisation	Where the proposal has not been substantially commenced within five years of the date of this statement, the approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister will determine any question as to whether the proposal has been substantially commenced.	Provide written advice to CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority advising that the proposal has not substantially commenced.	Letter to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority	Construction	Within 5 years from the issuance of this statement.	CLD	Refer to 478:M6.4
478:M6.3	Time Limit of Authorisation	The proponent shall make an application to the Minister for the Environment for any extension of approval for the substantial commencement of the proposal beyond five years from the date of this statement.	Provide written advice to CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority requesting an extension to the Proposal.	Letter to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority	Construction	Within 5 years from the issuance of this statement.	CLD	Refer to 478:M6.4
478:M6.4	Time Limit of Authorisation	Where the proponent demonstrates to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority that the environmental parameters of the proposal have not changed significantly, then the Minister may grant an extension not exceeding five years for the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Provide written advice to CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority advising that the environmental parameters of the proposal have not changed significantly if this is the case.	Letter to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority	Overall	Within 5 years from the issuance of this statement.	CLD	Environmental approval for a period of 5 years was granted on 8 June 1998. An extension for substantial commencement was confirmed by the OEPA on 4 October 2001, to allow for the completion of a regional stygofauna survey. An extension for substantial commencement was confirmed by the OEPA on 4 October 2001

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478:M7.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit periodic Performance and Compliance Reports, in accordance with an audit programme prepared in consultation between the proponent and the Department of Environmental Protection.	Submit Annual Environmental Report.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Annually	C	Compliance Assessment Report submitted to OEPA on 7 October 2011. OEPA Ref: A439136. Subsequent Compliance Assessment Reports have been submitted as part of the Annual Environmental Reporting process.
478:M7.2	Compliance Reporting	Unless otherwise specified, the Department of Environmental Protection is responsible for assessing compliance with the conditions contained in this statement and for issuing formal clearance of conditions.	Submit Annual Environmental Report.	BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Annually	C	Nil.
478:M7.3	Compliance Reporting	Where compliance with any condition or procedure is in dispute, the matter will be determined by the Minister for the Environment.		BHP Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Ongoing	NR	Nil.
478:P1	Potentially Acid Forming Material	BHP Iron Ore will ensure that potentially reactive pyritic shales are managed within the overburden storage areas to prevent acid generating processes occurring. Pyritic materials exposed in the pit will be sealed to prevent exposure to air.	Implementation of a Waste Rock Management Plan.	Mine Closure Plan	Operation	Ongoing	C	BHP implemented an approved Waste Rock Management Plan for OB23 and 25 – OB23/25 Waste Rock Management Plan 2010. Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan Version 1.4, which supersedes the Waste Rock Management Plan, was prepared in accordance with in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 and submitted to the OEPA in February 2017. Version 2.0 was submitted in September 2021 and is currently under consideration. The latest revision (Version 4) was submitted in December 2024 and is currently under consideration.
478:P2	Water Monitoring	BHP Iron Ore will supplement the existing water monitoring system to measure water table levels throughout the Ethel Gorge Wellfield. Additionally, the quality of the water will be measured at various strategic locations throughout the system. Monitoring will take place during mining/dewatering phase and after the cessation of mining for a period of time until the aquifer has reached near pre-mining levels.	Implement groundwater monitoring program.	BHP Annual Environmental Report and Annual Aquifer Review	Overall	Ongoing	C	Water level monitoring within the Orebody 23 aquifer and the nearby Ethel Gorge Stygobiont Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) aquifer systems is reported annually through the Eastern Ridge and Ophthalmia Borefield Annual Aquifer Reports (AARs). These reports form part of BHP's statutory compliance obligations under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*. The Eastern Ridge AAR reports on groundwater levels within the former Orebody 23 pit area and surrounding monitoring network to demonstrate compliance with Groundwater Licence GWL74556 (12) and the *Eastern Ridge Groundwater Operating Strategy (GWOS), Version 5.0 (August 2025)*. Although mining activities have ceased at Orebody 23, BHP has continued groundwater level monitoring to track post-closure aquifer recovery and meet ongoing commitments. Groundwater level monitoring within the adjacent Ethel Gorge Stygobiont Threatened Ecological Community regional aquifer is reported through the Ophthalmia Borefield AAR. This monitoring supports commitments under the *Ophthalmia Borefield GWOS, Version 2.0 (2018)* and the *Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP), Version 6.1*, and provides ongoing assessment of groundwater conditions within this aquifer system.
478:P3	Water Monitoring	BHP Iron Ore will monitor the quality of water in the pit and the adjacent aquifer following the completion of mining at Orebody 23. In addition, appropriate perimeter monitoring bores, representing aquifer water quality adjacent to the pit, will be with agreement of the DEP and WRC.	Perimeter monitoring bores adjacent to the pit will be selected to monitor aquifer water quality. Pit water quality, particularly pH and salinity, will be monitored for an indefinite period following the completion of mining.	BHP Annual Environmental Report and Annual Aquifer Review	Overall	Ongoing	C	Water quality monitoring, including field chemistry (pH and electrical conductivity) and hydrochemistry laboratory analysis, is no longer required for the Orebody 23 pit area and perimeter under Orebody 23 Groundwater Licence GWL74556 (12) and the *Eastern Ridge Operating Strategy,* Version 5.0 (August 2025). This reflects the cessation of mining activities and the

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								absence of groundwater abstraction from this area since October 2023. Water quality monitoring continues within the adjacent Ethel Gorge Stygobiont Threatened Ecological Community regional aquifer and is reported in the Annual Aquifer Review (AAR) for the Ophthalmia Borefield. Water level monitoring supports the commitments outlined in the *Ophthalmia Borefield Groundwater Operating Strategy (GWOS),* Version 2.0 (2018), and the *Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP),* Version 6.1.
478:P4	Water Monitoring	A salinity "trigger" for the Ethel Gorge aquifer monitoring program will be set at a value that corresponds to a statistically significant 20% increase in background levels, where the increase corresponds to similar salinity increases in the flooded pit (as measured by Total Dissolved Solids). Mitigation measures will be implemented when statistically significant sustainable levels in excess of a 50% increase are recorded over a period of 12 months and correspond to similar salinity increases in the flooded pit.	Mitigation is implemented when trigger levels (in excess of a 50% increase of background levels) are sustained over a period of 12 months, where similar increases are detected in the Ethel Gorge aquifer and the flooded pit.	BHP Annual Environmental Report and Annual Aquifer Review	Overall	Ongoing	C	Groundwater monitoring for the Orebody 23 area is conducted in accordance with the Eastern Ridge Groundwater Operating Strategy (GWOS), which supports the requirements of Groundwater Licence GWL74556 (12). Following the cessation of mining activities and the absence of groundwater abstraction from the Orebody 23 area during FY26, monitoring of groundwater quality parameters, including field chemistry (electrical conductivity) and hydrochemistry (including total dissolved solids), was no longer required under the current operating strategy. Groundwater quality monitoring for Electrical Conductivity and Total Dissolved Solids continues within the adjacent Ethel Gorge Stygobiont Threatened Ecological Community aquifer in accordance with the *Ophthalmia Borefield GWOS* and the *Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan* (EPWRMP). Water quality monitoring results are reported within the Ophthalmia Borefield AAR.
478:P5	Tree Health Monitoring	BHP Iron Ore will establish a comprehensive tree monitoring programme that will assess the impact of dewatering on the vegetation along the creek systems.	Establish a comprehensive vegetation monitoring programme that will assess the impact of dewatering on the phreatophytic vegetation along the creek systems.	Annual reporting and provision of Tree Health Monitoring program reports as required.	Overall	Before dewatering starts	C	Tree health monitoring has been completed as part of the MS 1037 monitoring program in May 2026.
478:P6	Tree Health Monitoring	If the tree monitoring programme (Commitment 5) indicates that dewatering is having an adverse effect on riverine vegetation, BHP Iron Ore will implement a tree watering system to sustain riverine vegetation in areas as determined by the monitoring. The watering system will operate during mining/dewatering and after the cessation of mining until groundwater level, in identified areas, has returned to near pre-mining levels.	Implement a watering program which will operate during mining/dewatering and after the cessation of mining until groundwater level has returned to near pre-mining levels if required.	Annual reporting and provision of Tree Health Monitoring program reports as required.	Overall	Action will be implemented as required if indicated by the vegetation monitoring programme	C	No dewatering occurred during FY26, with Orebody 23 groundwater abstraction ceasing in November 2023 following completion of pit backfilling to above the pre-mining water table. The OB23 water level monitoring has indicated that groundwater levels have fully recovered to pre-mining water table elevations and remained stable in FY26. The Homestead Creek Riparian Vegetation monitoring program 2025-2026 showed a general decline to tree health that is likely related to poor wet season recovery, and unlikely attributable to OB23 activities.
478:P7	Environmental Management Plan	BHP Iron Ore will prepare, to a timetable agreed with DEP, and implement a Life of Project Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Orebody 23 Project.	Develop a life of project Environmental Management Plan.	OB23 Environmental Management Plan (Revision 4 2008)	Overall	Ongoing	NC	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with the OB23 Environmental Management Plan 2008, along with the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan, Version 3.1, dated July 2022.

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		The EMP will be developed in accordance with statutory conditions applied to approve operations. The EMP will be reviewed and updated as required. The EMP will address and BHP Iron Ore will commit to practice guidelines and management programs for the following environmental factors: 1) surrounding environment; 2) vegetation and topsoil management; 3) overburden storage; 4) surface water; 5) groundwater; 6) flora; 7) fauna; 8) Aboriginal heritage; 9) noise; 10) dust; 11) waste and hazardous materials; 12) rehabilitation; 13) decommissioning; 14) contracting; and 15) Continuous improvement.						The current methodology used to verify the impact of dewatering has been updated in the OB23 Environmental Management Plan (Version 6), and the EMP was sent to DWER on the 28 May 2026.
478:P8	Subterranean Fauna	In collaboration with the Museum of Western Australia, BHP Iron Ore will: 1) Identify the stygofauna species collected in the vicinity of OB 23 by the Museum; 2) assess the conservation significance of species found; 3) map the local distribution of species sampled; and 4) Undertake further sampling in the Ophthalmia region if species distribution is found to be a significant conservation issue.	Complete survey to identify the stygofauna species collected in the vicinity of proposal.	Assessment and protection program implemented and reported. Stygofauna monitoring reports are available as required.	Overall	Prior to disturbance	C	The EPWRMP coordinates subterranean Fauna management. A detailed subterranean fauna survey monitoring program was undertaken during FY2026, with field work completed following both wet and dry season. Based on field work observations, no significant impacts to the Ethel Gorge TEC were identified.

3.5 Ministerial Statements 679 and 1039

3.5.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statements 679 and 1039 – Marillana Creek (Yandi) for the FY2026 reporting period. The mine is situated within Mining Leases 270SA and 47/292 and is located approximately 90 kilometres northwest of the township of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. The project is to mine the Yandi orebody and subsequently rehabilitate in accordance with the Mine Closure Plan. The Yandi orebody occurs within an ancient channel iron deposit which is subdivided into a series of mine areas known as the central pits (C1 to C5), eastern pits (E1 to E8) and the western pits (W0 to W6). As individual pits are mined, the voids will be partially filled with overburden materials from other pits within the leases, as per the currently implemented Mine Closure Plan.

3.5.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 679 and Ministerial Statement 1039 – Marillana Creek (Yandi) current implementation status was operational for FY2026. A significant amendment application was submitted in May 2025 to update the existing Part IV approvals for Yandi, including additional clearing and the mining location of E8. On 2 June 2026 the EPA released its report and recommendations on the significant amendment. The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Amendment (MS1276) was approved by the Minister for Environment on 3 August 2026 and for FY2027, compliance will be reported against MS1276.

3.5.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Life-of-Mine Proposal Mining Leases 270SA & M47/292, 90 km northwest of Newman - Shire of East Pilbara
Statement Number	679 and 1039
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Statement 679 and Statement 1039 audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)	☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)		

3) Details of non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were two potential non-compliances and one non-compliance with Ministerial Statement 679 identified within the FY2026 reporting period. The details are provided in the following tables.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
679:M8-4 – Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Potentially non-compliant			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
Ongoing since 2019			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☑ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally ☑ Reported to DWER in writing	Date _____ Date _____	☐No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
Ministerial Statement 679 Condition 8-1: *The objectives of this Plan are to monitor the impact on key water parameters and to maintain the quantity and quality of water so that existing and potential environmental values, including ecosystem maintenance, are protected.* BHP considers that this objective has been partially achieved in the FY2026 reporting period: the quantity of water being maintained may not be to a sufficient level to ensure the protection of existing and potential environmental values. Projects are underway to study and supplement groundwater levels at both Jugari Gorge and Flat Rock in consultation with Traditional Owners.			
What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)			
Flat Rock Springs: -22.720860, 118.972342 Jugari Gorge: -22.825718, 119.157094			
What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
Lowered groundwater levels, attributable to BHP dewatering activities, climate variability and fire (most recently January 2024).			
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
BHP has continued its dewatering reduction trials in the western pits which has seen continued groundwater recovery in the area. BHP proposes to continue the dewatering reduction on an ongoing basis, whilst studies progress to commence a Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) scheme off-tenure to the west. As part of the ongoing investigations to restore groundwater levels at Flat Rock Springs via MAR,			

BHP has secured a Miscellaneous Licence (L47/1105) and is currently undertaking Flora, Fauna and Heritage Surveys to inform future approvals and constraints analysis on planned restoration works. With collaboration with the Banjima Traditional Owners, in FY27 BHP will be undertaking rehabilitation trials and hydrogeological drilling at and near Flat Rock Springs to inform future restoration activities.

Reinjection of groundwater trial at Jugari Gorge commenced in November 2024 to improve the hydrogeological understanding of the Gorge. Further details are provided in the Yandicoogina Gorge 6th Month Mitigation Trial Summary Report (Stage 1) provided with L6168/1991/11.

In addition, the following water efficiency measures are in place:
- Abstraction bores were switched off every second week
- Pits W5 has been backfilled, and abstraction has ceased in this pit,
- C1 and W4 are planned to be backfilled, reducing and/or ceasing abstraction in these pits

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?

BHP will continue to implement the Marillana Creek Surface Water Groundwater Management Plan, including monitoring of groundwater levels across the project area, and continue to engage with DWER and the Banjima people to progress a mitigation strategies.

Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:

Yandicoogina Gorge 6th Month Mitigation Trial Summary Report (Stage 1)

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

679:M8-4 – Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan

Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

Non-compliant

On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?

13.01.2026

Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?

☐ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date _____	☑No
	☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date _____	

What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

Ministerial Statement 679 Condition 8-4 *The proponent shall implement the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan required by condition 8-1.* The Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan requires sampling of surface water in Marillana Creek at MCSW005 (YNSWPC002) and MCSW002 (YNSWPC001) for hydrochemistry listed in Table 5-1 following rainfall events. Following a rainfall event in mid-January 2026 Marillana Creek partially flowed and a surface water sample was taken at YNSWPC 002. Tin (Sn) was missed during the sampling of this sample and is a requirement of the SWGMP.

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)

NA

What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

An incorrect chain-of-custody (COC) form was provided to the lab, missing Tin, therefore it was not analysed in the sample.

What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

NA

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?

COC template was updated to ensure it included Tin. Internal documentation was reviewed to ensure that COC's are verified against all relevant approvals prior to sending sample to the lab.

Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:

NA

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

679:M12-3 – Weed Management Plan

Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

Potentially non-compliant

On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?

Reported in the FY2026 weed mapping and control report on 26 June 2026.

Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?

☐ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date _____	☐No
	☑Reported to DWER in writing	Date 17.07.2026	

What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

Ministerial Statement 679 Condition 12-3 *The proponent shall implement the Weed Management Plan required by condition 12-1.* The Biodiversity Management Plan Management Target: *No new weeds (introduced flora species) are introduced within the Development Envelope that are attributable to the proposal.* During the FY2026 weed mapping and control program, two new weed species—*Eragrotis minor* (smaller stinkgrass) and *Symphyotrichium squamatam* (bushy starwort)—were identified at Yandi. These species had not been previously recorded within the development envelope, potentially breaching the management target of no new weed introductions.

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)

Eragrotis minor was identified primarily within drainage channels around the OHP3 processing plant.
Symphyotrichium squamatam was identified at multiple location at Yandi mine site.

What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
The introduction pathway for the newly recorded weed species could not be determined with certainty. Both species were recorded in disturbed areas within the Yandi Development Envelope; however, there is insufficient evidence to definitively attribute their introduction to activities associated with the Proposal. *Symphyotrichum squamatum* (bushy starwort) was primarily associated with disturbed, artificially wet habitats and drainage lines. Potential introduction pathways include movement of vehicles and mobile equipment associated with mining operations, as well as non-operational pathways such as cattle movement, wind dispersal and water-mediated dispersal through drainage networks. The likelihood of introduction associated with mining operations is considered moderate. *Eragrostis minor* (smaller stinkgrass) was recorded in operationally disturbed areas; however, no direct operational source was identified. Potential introduction pathways include vehicle and equipment movement, cattle movement, drainage-line connectivity and short-distance wind dispersal. Current evidence is insufficient to conclude with a high degree of confidence that the species is attributable to the Proposal.
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
In FY2027, the BHP weed monitoring program will be conducted across the Central Hub, covering Yandi, South Flank, and Mining Area C. The aim is to reduce the risk of weed spread between sites and improve detection and response and further target areas where weeds were previously identified or where weeds were not monitored before.
What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?
BHPs Weed Management Procedure requires vehicles and mobile equipment entering, leaving or transferring between operational areas to undergo inspection and cleaning, where required, to minimise the risk of weed introduction and spread. Weed hygiene controls are incorporated as a standard requirement of the Yandi Land Disturbance Permit process to minimise the risk of introducing or spreading weed species during land disturbance activities.
Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:
NA

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.5.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statements 679 and 1039 and covers:

- Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan;
- Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan;
- Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan;
- Yandi Biodiversity Management Plan;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Mine Closure Plan

An updated Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (MCP Revision No.6, May 2025) was submitted in FY2026 to support the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Amendment Referral Supporting Document. The updated MCP incorporates updated closure knowledge from recent studies and consultation with the Traditional Owners (the Banjima People) on closure outcomes. Please see Section 7 for more information on rehabilitation and closure.

Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan

Marillana Creek diversions were completed in November 2019. The Marillana Creek Diversion Monitoring Program is guided by BHP WAIO's Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan. Monitoring is conducted by on-ground assessment and by remote sensing. Currently, there are 16 permanent monitoring transects distributed among four reaches: the upstream reference reach, the E1 diversion, the E4 diversion, and the downstream reference reach (four transects per reach). Diversion performance is evaluated by comparing the Diversion and Downstream reaches with the Upstream control reach. On-ground assessments include evaluation of the Index of Diversion Condition (IDC), supplemented by assessments of geomorphic condition, riparian vegetation, hydrological performance, water quality, diversion protection and rehabilitation works, and Key Ecological Indicators to determine an overall diversion performance risk category. Remote sensing comprises LiDAR-derived

topographic analyses and high-resolution aerial imagery to assess geomorphic change, channel adjustment, erosion and deposition, and changes in vegetation condition, providing an independent assessment of diversion performance and long-term channel stability.

Total rainfall recorded at Marillana Creek (119.0°E, 22.7°S) during the 2025–2026 monitoring period (May 2025 to April 2026) was 99 mm, well below both the long-term average of 370 mm and the previous monitoring year's total of 455 mm. No significant flow events occurred during the monitoring period, resulting in limited surface water persistence and reduced vegetation moisture across the study area. No fires were recorded within the Marillana Creek Diversion area during the 2025–26 monitoring period. The most recent fire affecting the study area occurred in January 2024, with no subsequent fire activity recorded.

Total Index of Diversion Condition (IDC) scores across the E1 and E4 Diversion reaches and the Downstream reach exceeded 70 per cent of the Upstream Control Reach score, resulting in a Low-Risk performance rating. Geomorphic condition was stable, with comparison of the 2025 and 2026 LiDAR surveys, supported by field observations, indicating no evidence of significant reach-scale erosion or sedimentation. Riparian condition remained comparable to the Upstream Control Reach, with vegetation regeneration observed and no evidence of diversion-related impacts. Qualitative ecological assessments indicated vegetation establishment within the Diversion reaches, although longitudinal vegetation connectivity had not yet been achieved. The total suspended solids (TSS) performance criterion was not assessed due to insufficient water quality data.

The 2026 monitoring results indicate that the Marillana Creek E1 and E4 Diversion reaches and Downstream reaches met the Performance Risk Evaluation Criteria specified in the MCDMP (BHP Billiton Iron Ore 2016). Overall, all primary and supplementary performance criteria indicated a Low-Risk outcome for the E1 and E4 Diversion and Downstream reaches, demonstrating that the 2026 geomorphic and ecological performance objectives were achieved.

Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan

With respect to the following Condition 8 objective:

> *'maintain the quantity and quality of water so that existing and potential environmental values, including ecosystem maintenance, are protected'*

BHP considers that this objective has been partially achieved in the FY2026 reporting period.

Based on the data obtained, the quality of the water has been maintained during the FY2026 reporting period. The review of the monitoring implemented demonstrates the quality of groundwater and surface water are reflective of the local environments.

The quantity of water being maintained may not be to a sufficient level to ensure the protection of existing and potential environmental values. Projects are underway to study and supplement groundwater levels at both Jugari Gorge and Flat Rock in consultation with Traditional Owners.

The site water balance is assessed on regular basis by the BHP Iron Ore Hydrology Group to investigate any improvements in water efficiency. During the FY2026 assessment, held in April 2026, the following water efficiency measures were implemented in FY2026:

- Abstraction bores were switched off every second week
- Pits W5 has been backfilled, and C1 and W4 are planned to be backfilled meaning abstraction can stop or reduce in these pits
- Improvements to the flow meter calibrations process to improve water use tracking
- Progressively installing telemetry on flow meters, which allows shorter intervals of tracking water use improving management responsiveness and efficiency

Future options for improving water efficiency include:

- Expanding use of dewatering water onsite reducing the need to discharge excess water
- Improving storage of water when demand is low to reduce the need to discharge excess water.

SWGWMP (Table 5-1) - Mine Dewatering Borefield Operations and Potable Supply

In accordance with the requirements of Groundwater Licence GWL89501(12) and the *Groundwater Operating Strategy for Yandi Version 3.1* (BHP, 2024), groundwater levels, abstraction volumes and groundwater quality (including field chemistry pH and Electrical Conductivity (EC) and hydrochemistry laboratory analysis) were monitored across the Yandi dewatering borefields (Western 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6; Central 1 and 5; and Eastern 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7) and potable water supply fields (Spinifex Borefield and Barimunya Aerodrome) during FY2026. In addition, groundwater levels were monitored at a regional upgradient and downgradient location to support tree health monitoring. The detail, results and discussion in addition to a water balance are presented in the *FY2026 Annual Aquifer Review* report for Yandi.

These monitoring activities also satisfy the equivalent groundwater monitoring requirements specified under the SWGWMP and Environmental Licence L6168/1991/11 (Part V, also refer to Section 2.6), avoiding duplication of monitoring programs and enabling a single dataset to be used for compliance assessment across all relevant regulatory instruments.

During FY2026, a total of 5.2 GL of groundwater was abstracted from the Yandi operational borefields for both dewatering and water supply.

Groundwater level monitoring showed contrasting responses across the operation. Most active dewatering areas experienced gradual groundwater level declines consistent with ongoing abstraction. Declining trends were observed within the Western 4, Eastern 1/2, Eastern 4, Eastern 3/5/6 and Eastern 7 borefields, reflecting the continued influence of dewatering activities.

Conversely, groundwater levels within the Western 1 and Spinifex Borefield areas remained elevated relative to historical lows following the reduction and cessation of dewatering activities in the western pits. Monitoring bore MB16YSN0001M within the Spinifex Borefield area continued to recover, with groundwater levels remaining significantly higher (by approximately 7 m) than July 2023. Rainfall-related recharge responses were also evident at several monitoring locations, particularly within the Western 2, Western 6 and Central 1 borefields.

The most significant groundwater-level outcome during FY2026 was the continued recovery and stabilisation of groundwater levels in the western Yandi area following the reduction of dewatering activities. This trend demonstrates the ongoing effectiveness of management measures implemented to mitigate drawdown impacts near Flat Rocks and adjacent sections of Marillana Creek.

Groundwater quality remained broadly consistent with historical conditions across all borefields. Groundwater was generally fresh to moderately brackish, with pH ranging from circumneutral to slightly alkaline and field electrical conductivity (EC) values remaining within expected ranges for local aquifers. Hydrochemical assessment indicated that groundwater chemistry remained representative of the natural groundwater systems, and no site-wide changes in water type were identified during the reporting period.

Overall, the FY2026 monitoring program indicates that groundwater abstraction remained within limits, groundwater quality was generally stable, and groundwater-level responses were consistent with operational dewatering activities and prevailing climatic conditions.

SWGWMP (Table 5-1) - Marillana Creek

Surface water discharge volume and quality is monitored at locations along Marillana Creek. During the FY2026 reporting period discharge continuously occurred at MCDMDEW040 (previously named MCSW040 in the SWGWMP) and MCDMDEW041. MCDMDEW041 is a contingency discharge location used when excess water disposal is required; this discharge point is licenced under L6168/1991/11 and is not included in the SWGWMP. BHP has monitored the flow and quality of discharge from MCDMDEW041 for the same parameters and frequency as outlined in Table 5.1 of the SWGMP for MCDMDEW041. MCDMDEW031 is no longer an active discharge location and was not used in FY2026, therefore no flow or quality data is recorded against this monitoring point.

A review of the analytical results of the quality sampling of the surface water discharge points during the FY2026 reporting period determined that results were generally within 5-year historical ranges (see Section 2.6: Yandi Operating Licence L6168/1991/11).

During the FY2026 reporting period, Marillana Creek did not experience a full flow through event, however samples were taken following rainfall which triggered partial flow of the creek on two occasions, in January and February 2026. Samples were only taken where the creek was flowing and not from stagnant pools of rainwater. See Section 2.6: Yandi Operating Licence L6168/1991/11 for the data and summary of monitoring results. Note: MCSW005 is YNSWPC002 and MCSW002 is YNSWPC001. No sample was taken at monitoring location YNSWPC001 in FY2026 due to the creek not flowing fully through to this point. A non-compliance has been detailed in the CAR due to missing tin from the sampling of YNSWPC002 in January 2026.

SWGWMP (Table 5-1) - Stormwater Discharge

Stormwater runoff is collected in sumps at designated locations inside and outside of pits. The stormwater from these sumps is pumped into the main dewatering line that discharges to Marillana Creek to the east. Where there is not sufficient volume to warrant a constructed sump, a puddle jumper may be used to transfer these smaller ponds of water into larger sumps to be pumped out. Infrastructure such as pipelines and sump pumps are ready in hot spot areas prior to wet season to enable the pump out strategy. Culverts are checked and cleared as part of wet weather preparedness to prevent stormwater pooling around site.

Stormwater from designated hydrocarbon storage areas and workshops is directed to Oily-Water Separator (OWS) systems for the removal of hydrocarbons prior to discharge. Treated oily-water ponds are sampled weekly when sufficient water is present to enable safe sampling. BHP is moving to adopt the analysis of National Environment Protection Measure (NEPM) Total Recoverable Hydrocarbon (TRH) fractions for treated oily-water monitoring, to align with best scientific practice and the Part V licence. The Marillana Creek Water Resource Management Plan, currently under review and pending endorsement by DWER to replace the SWGMP, aligns to the Part V Licence criteria and limit of 15mg/L for TRH. For hydrocarbon monitoring completed for FY2026 reporting period, please refer to the Part V Licence (L6168/1991/11) Annual Compliance Report.

During June 2026, monitoring at YNDMOWWF004 recorded TPH concentration exceeding the Surface Water Groundwater Management Plan (SWGMP) discharge limit of 5 mg/L (see L6168/1991/11 AACR for data). The elevated concentrations were associated with the recommissioning of the OWS system following an extended maintenance outage. No discharge to environment occurred while TRH concentrations exceeded the discharge criterion. Water from the pond was continuously recirculated through the OWS system until treatment performance improved and TRH concentrations were reduced to below the applicable discharge limit. Consequently, no non-compliant discharge to the environment occurred.

SWGWMP (Table 5-1) - Sewage Effluent Irrigation

Monitoring of the Spinifex camp wastewater was undertaken in accordance with the SWGMP and Yandi Operating Licence. See Section 2.6: Yandi Operating Licence L6168/1991/11 for the data and summary of monitoring results.

Vegetation Health Monitoring

Excess groundwater from dewatering of Yandi Mine is primarily discharged as surface flow into the adjacent Marillana Creek, with small volumes reinjected into the aquifer at Jugari Gorge. Dewatering and discharge result in groundwater drawdown and groundwater rise, respectively, both of which have the potential to adversely affect the phreatophytic vegetation along the creek. Conditions within Ministerial Statement 679 require monitoring of phreatophytic vegetation to be undertaken and management measures implemented to minimise impacts from dewatering and discharge.

The Marillana Creek Riparian Vegetation Monitoring Program is guided by BHP WAIO's Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan. Monitoring is conducted by on-ground assessment and by remote sensing. Currently, there are nine active full on-ground monitoring sites and three rapid assessment monitoring sites. Key on-ground monitoring variables include predawn leaf water potential, crown condition score and general site condition assessments. Remote sensing comprises high-resolution WorldView satellite imagery, using riparian tree canopy (segments), and medium-resolution Sentinel-2 and Landsat satellite imagery, which track the condition of all vegetation across the broader landscape. Leaf water potential was not measured at potential drawdown impact site MC5b in June 2026 as no leaf material could be sampled owing to impacts from fire. Leaf water potential measurements could not be completed at site MC4 in June 2026 due to a red alert for lightning.

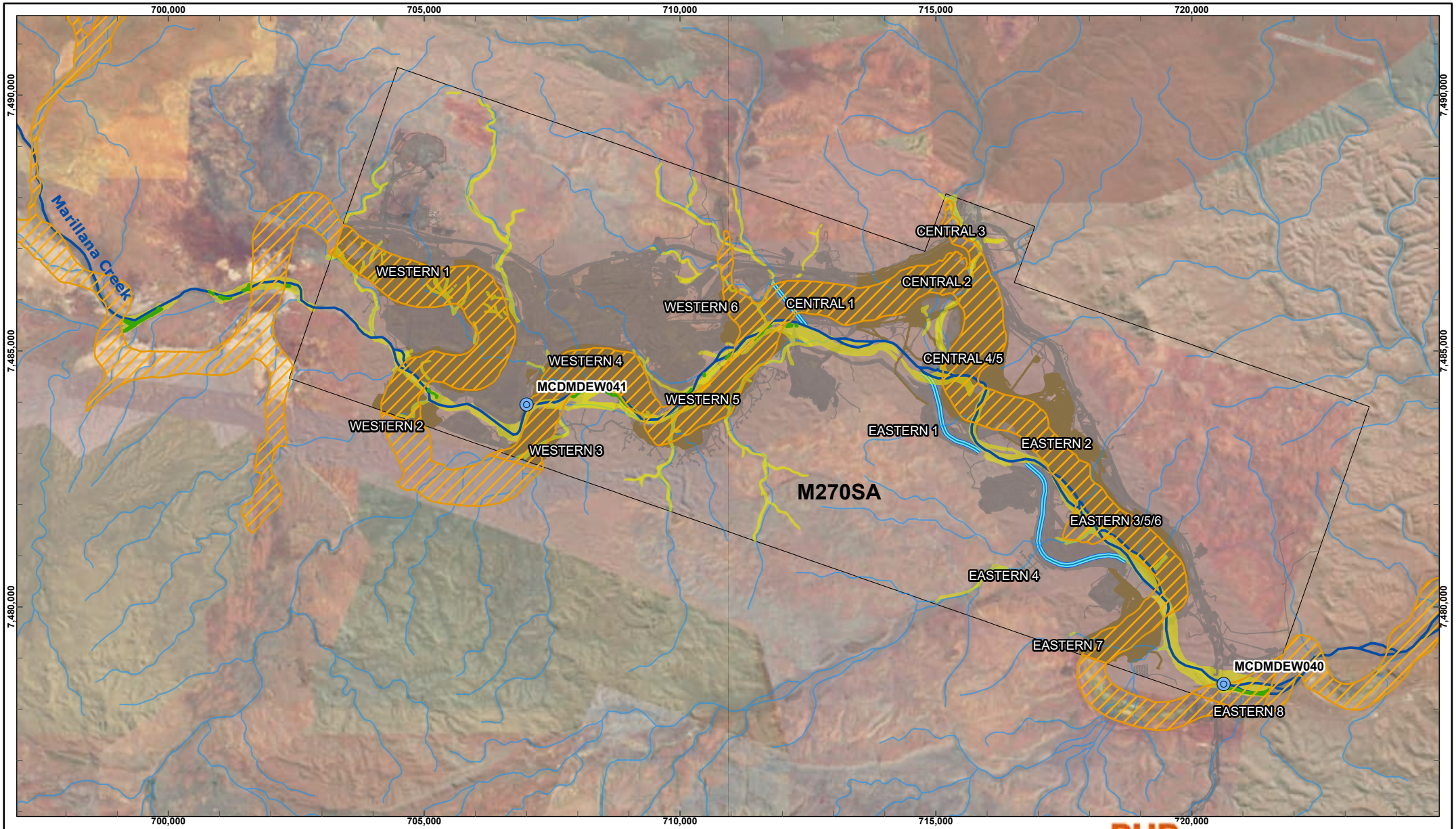
Total rainfall received at the Yandi mine (119.0°E, -22.7°S) during the 2025-2026 monitoring period (June 2025 to May 2026) was 126.9 mm, which is 238.1 mm less than the long-term mean of 396.9 mm. Fire over the previous five years (May 2022 to June 2026) within management zones was recorded only in 2024. This record stemmed from a single fire event that occurred in January 2024. The fire burned a large portion of the reference areas west of the Yandi lease (sites MC7 and MC9), impacted potential impact areas near the western edge of the lease (site MC8), and affected an area near the eastern boundary close to the discharge point (site MC1). In 2025-2026, the depth to groundwater did not fall below Control Limit 1, the 5th percentile of historical observations, at any bores within sites MC1, MC4, MC4a and MC4 (the only sites to have groundwater data). Groundwater depth remained shallower than 20 metres below ground level throughout the monitoring period.

In 2025–2026, monitoring results confirmed that the condition of potential groundwater dependent vegetation continues to be affected by recent fire disturbance. Tree health remained poor at sites MC5b and MC8. All monitored *Melaleuca argentea* trees at MC5b have died, and at MC8, crown condition scores remained below threshold values for two consecutive monitoring periods. Signs of moderate recovery from the fire continue to be observed at reference sites MC7 and MC9, and for *M. argentea* at MC1 and *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* at MC8. *Eucalyptus victrix* at sites MC1 and MC5b have yet to show significant signs of recovery from the fire. The condition of *M. argentea* at Stand H has also declined, but this is not directly linked to the 2024 fire.

Four new potential tree deaths were recorded at Stand L during the current period. Pre-dawn leaf water potential measurements mostly followed expected seasonal patterns, with all monitored sites showing an increase since November 2025, which is consistent with greater water availability. Pre-dawn leaf water potential did not exceed trigger or threshold control limits at any site.

Remote sensing results showed limited wet season recovery in vegetation condition, which is consistent with below average rainfall recorded during this period. Longer-term trends continue to indicate ongoing vegetation decline across all impact zones. The mean MSAVI log ratio fell below control limits in both the Drawdown Zone (all subzones) and Discharge Impact Zone (three out of four subzones), reflecting sustained decline relative to the reference zone. Although the majority of the decline in vegetation health observed in 2026 can be attributed to the 2024 fire and below average rainfall, previous reports and investigations (Astron Environmental Services 2020) have established that riparian vegetation along Marillana Creek has been impacted since the Yandi mine development began.

BHP will provide DWER with the full FY2026 Marillana Creek Riparian Vegetation Monitoring Program Annual Report as required by the Surface Water Groundwater Management Plan.



- Discharge point
- Marillana Creek
- Constructed creek diversion
- BHP tenements
- CID channel
- Vegetation Association dominated by *Melaleuca Argentea*
- Melaleuca high value stands
- Indicative Disturbed Areas as at FY26
- Pits

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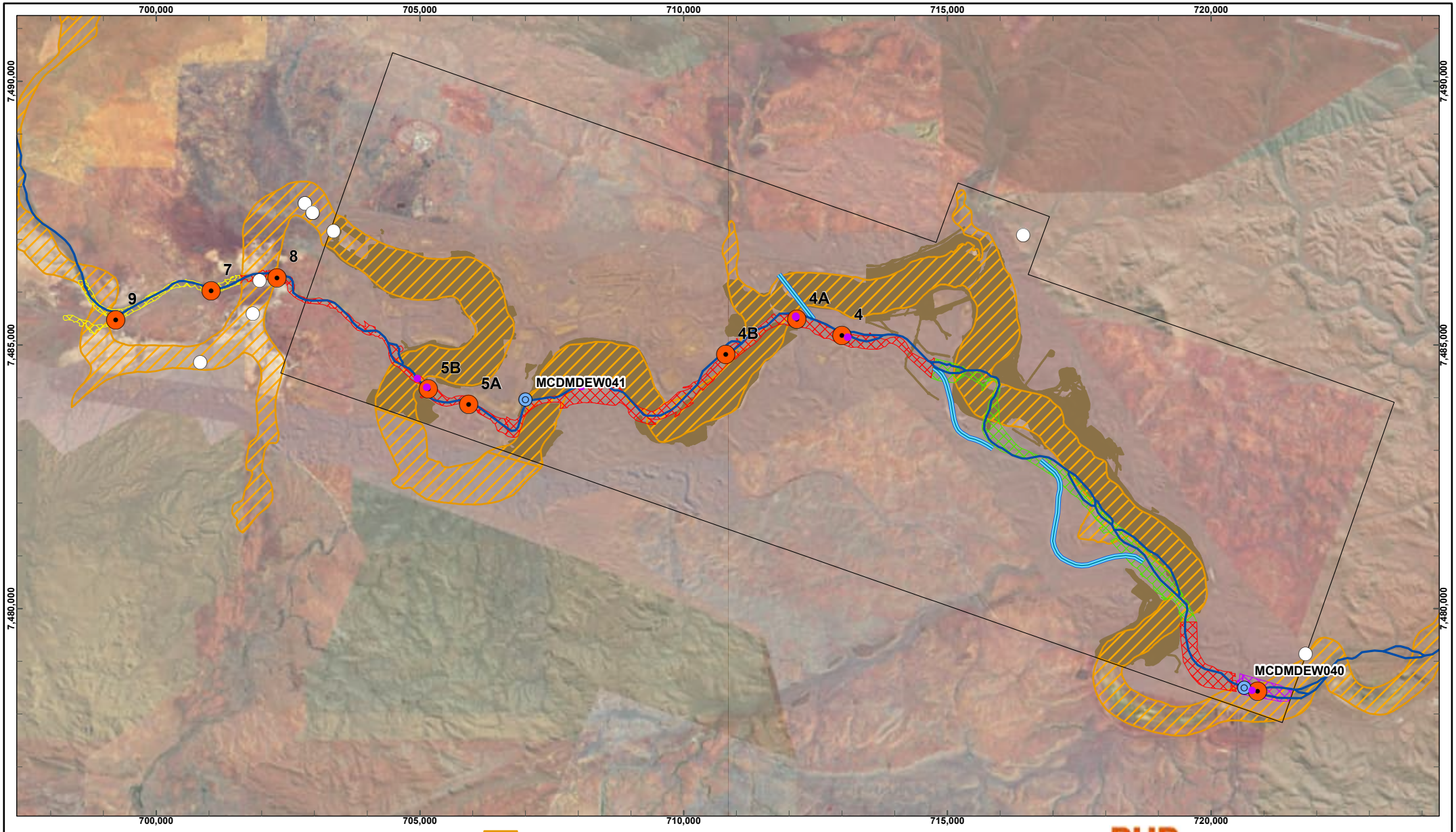
MARILLANA CREEK SURFACE WATER GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

MELALEUCA ARGENTEA VEGETATION AND HIGH VALUE STANDS AT MARILLANA CREEK

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- Golder Monitoring Bores
- Discharge point
- Up gradient and down gradient bores

Yandi tree health monitoring sites

- Active

- Marillana Creek
- Constructed creek diversion

- CID channel

Monitoring Zones

- Diversion Impact Zone
- Discharge Impact Zone
- Drawdown Impact Zone
- Reference Zone
- Pits

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Significant Flora and Fauna

The Yandi Biodiversity Management Plan Revision 0 has been implemented throughout the reporting period. All ground-disturbance activities were assessed against legislative requirements via the Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process (formerly known as PEAHR process), which uses an electronic workflow integrated with GIS. The GLUP process provides a control measure in the current plan and enables final verification to ensure authorised disturbances are managed with professional oversight and to ensure any authorised disturbance is managed effectively on the ground.

During the FY2026 reporting period five biodiversity surveys were conducted.

The GIS database for conservation significant flora, fauna and habitats for Yandi is considered current in terms of records and the conservation status of species. The BHP Biodiversity team updates the conservation status of flora and fauna in the Biodiversity GIS layer annually using updates from the Western Australian Museum, Florabase, gazettes of Biodiversity Conservation Act listings and any amendments to the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) priority listings.

The following six species listed as Priority flora taxa have been recorded within the Development Envelope:

- *Aristida lazaridis* – Priority 3 (2 records);
- *Ipomoea racemigera* – Priority 3 (180 records; 21 in areas cleared up to FY2026);
- *Acacia subtiliformis* – Priority 3 (1 record);
- *Amaranthus centralis* – Priority 3 (1 record);
- *Rostellularia adscendens var. latifolia* – Priority 3 (78 records; 8 in areas cleared up to FY2026);
- *Seringia exastia* – EPBC Act Critically Endangered (2 records, new in FY2026).

Two species previously reported are no longer listed as significant:

- *Goodenia nuda*;
- *Lepidium catapycnon Sida sp. Barlee Range*.

Three terrestrial fauna species of conservation significance have been documented within the Development Envelope, as identified in the Yandi Biodiversity Management Plan Revision 0.

- *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) - Endangered, EPBC Act; Schedule 2, BC Act (2 records);
- *Liasis olivaceus subsp. Barroni* (Pilbara Olive Python) - Vulnerable EPBC Act, Schedule 5 BC Act - (7 records);
- *Pseudomys chapmani* (Western Pebble-mound Mouse) - Priority 4, DBCA (1,060 records).

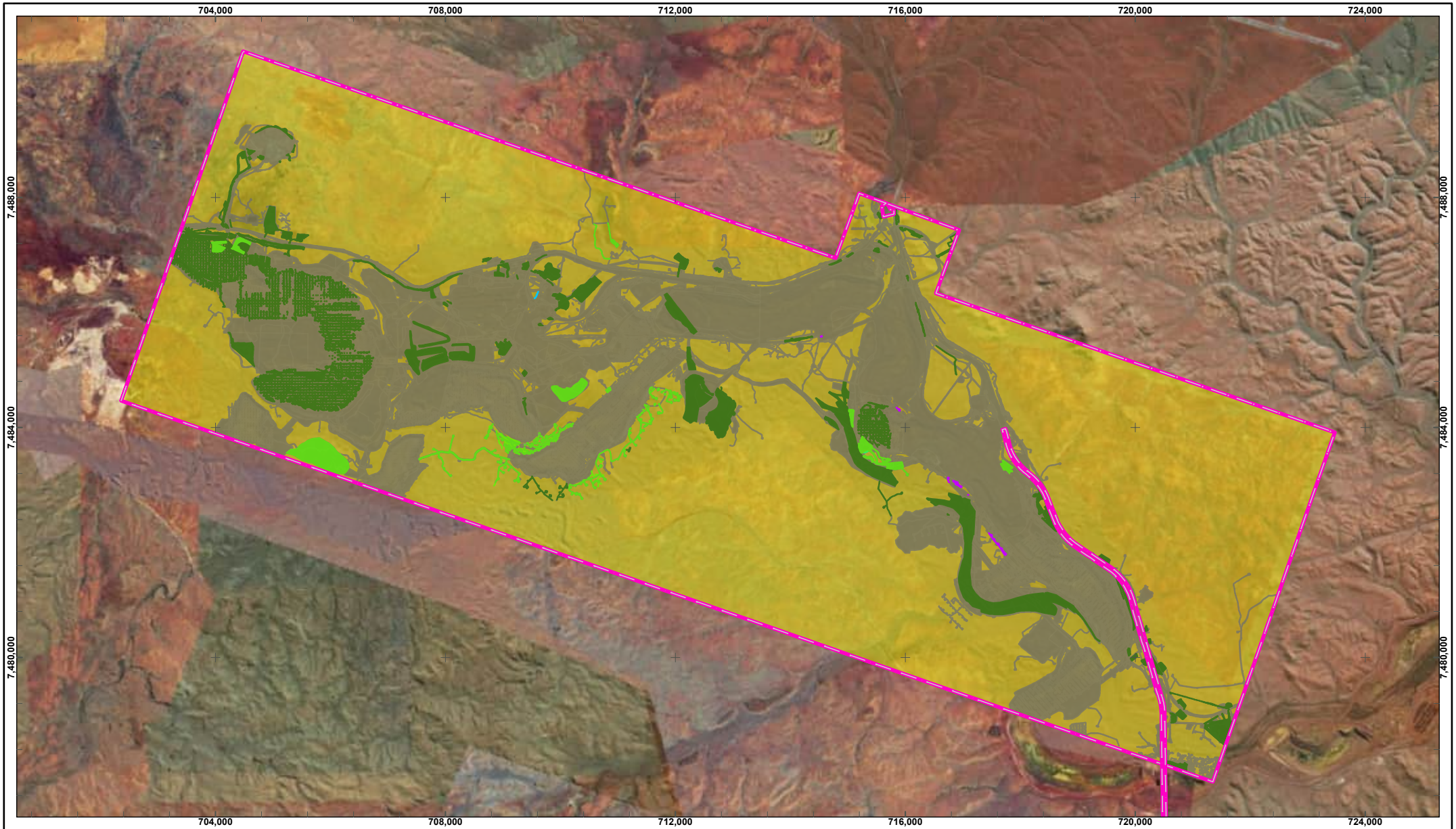
A review was conducted in 2026 regarding the classification status of three conservation significant fauna species identified within the development envelope. The conservation status of all three species remains unchanged.

The Yandi Development Envelope has seven fauna habitat types listed in the BEMP remaining:

- Calcrete Plain 1.80 ha in FY2020, 1.8ha in FY2025
- Drainage Area/Floodplain; 396.5 ha in FY2020, 379.3ha in FY2025
- Hillcrest/Hillslope; 7391.1 ha in FY2020, 7357.7ha in FY2025
- Major Drainage Line; 411.7 ha in FY2020, 403.6ha in FY2025
- Minor Drainage Line; 55.6 ha in FY2020, 55.5ha FY2025
- Mulga Woodland; 30.5 ha in FY2020, 30.4ha in FY2025
- Sandplain (30 per cent remaining). 45. 2ha in FY2020, 45.1ha in FY202

Areas containing significant species or habitat within the vicinity of mining have been demarcated and protected via ‘exclusion zones’ in BHPs GIS data provided to teams involved with clearing land. There has been no disturbance of conservation significant fauna habitat or current waterways conducted during the FY2026 period (please see Map 3-8 below).

As required by MS679 Condition 11-2, the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), including the Significant Species Management Programme (SSMP), underwent an independent review by Ecocene Environmental Consultants in FY2026 to satisfy the five-year review requirement. The recommendations arising from this review will be considered and incorporated, where appropriate, into future revisions of the plan.



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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Weeds

The Weed Management Plan (WMP) (Revision 2, 2011) remained in effect until 16 April 2021, at which point it was formally superseded by the Yandi Biodiversity and Environmental Management Plan (BEMP) (Revision 1, 2021) upon official endorsement.

Pursuant to Condition 12-1 of *Ministerial Statement 679*, the aim of the BEMP is as follows:

> *"Minimise the spread of weed species."*

To support this objective, Table 4 of the BEMP outlines a key management target:

> *"No new weeds (introduced flora species) are introduced within the Development Envelope that are attributable to the proposal."*

Weed mapping and control activities were undertaken in March and May 2026, with a focus on high-risk areas such as Marillana Creek traffic crossings, drainage way and surplus water discharge locations. These locations are particularly vulnerable to weed establishment due to frequent disturbance, vehicle movement, and seasonal flooding that facilitate the introduction and spread of invasive species.

Despite ongoing management efforts, the management target was not met in FY2026 due to the identification of two new weed species. The following new weed species were identified weed mapping and control activities within the project area:

- *Eragrotis minor* (smaller stinkgrass)
- *Symphyotrichum squamatum* (bushy starwort)

More information is provided in the Statement of Compliance (Section 3.5.3).

Conditions are included within GLUPs within the Yandi tenure to ensure that earth-moving machinery is free of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the clearing area.

As required by MS679 Condition 12-2, the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), including the WMP, underwent an independent review by Ecocene Environmental Consultants in FY2026 to satisfy the five-year review requirement. The recommendations arising from this review will be considered and incorporated, where appropriate, into future revisions of the plan.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-15 below describes the disturbance and rehabilitation status at Yandi. Table 3-16 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category. Table 3-17 describes the compliance status of Marillana Creek (Yandi) against MS679 and MS1039.

Table 3-15 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS679

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Marillana Creek Diversion	164.52	164.52
Marillana Creek Crossings	15.35	15.35
Riparian Vegetation – potential contribution from dewatering	30.00	30.00
Other Disturbance	4,309.40	4,311.21
Total	**4,519.27**	**4,521.08**

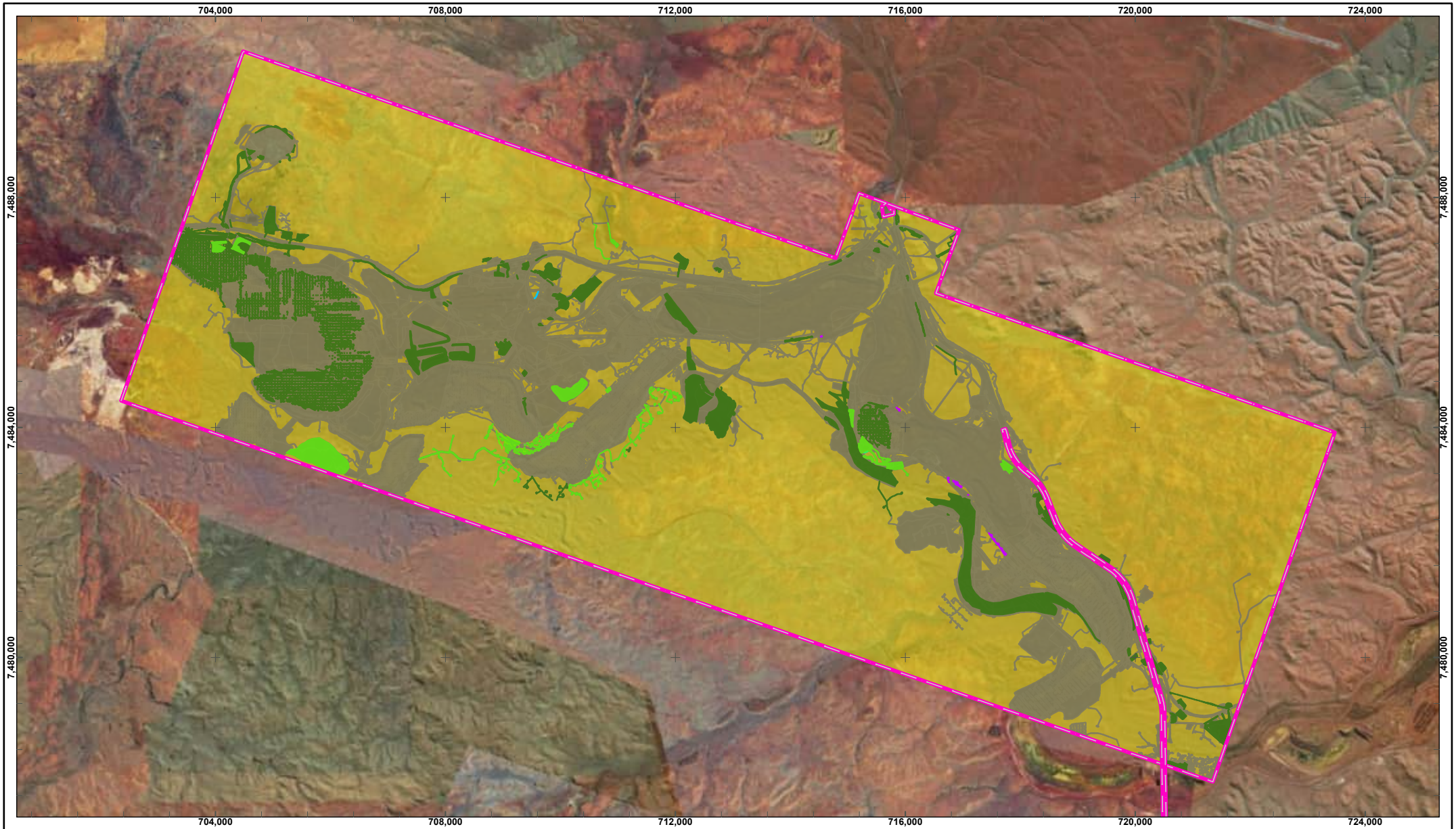
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	520.70	613.89
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**520.70**	**613.89**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 3-16 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS679

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	155.14
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	1.51
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	400.17
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	131.81
8	Plant site	80.73
9	Fuel storage facility	2.78
10	Workshop	0.49
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1,985.45
12	Landfill site	15.10
13	Diversion channel or drain	290.65
14	Dam fresh water	6.47
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	144.86
16	Sewage pond	11.61
17	Run-of-mine pad	134.20
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	58.22
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	695.23
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	137.73
22	Laydown or hardstand area	43.15
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	45.05
25	Borefield	0.71
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	4.13
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	21.50
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	100.20
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	598.69
30	Topsoil stockpile	65.68
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	15.20
32	Not Applicable	28.52

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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA = Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for OEPA use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
679:M1-1	Implementation	The proponent shall implement the proposal as documented in schedule 1 of this statement, subject to the conditions of this statement	Implement project in accordance with requirements in Schedule 1 and the conditions of this statement.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained within BHP Iron Ore's (BHP's) Annual Environmental Report (AER).	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Reported through the Annual Environmental Report. Non-compliances to the conditions of this statement have been included in the MS679/MS1039 - FY2025 Compliance Assessment Report (CAR).
679:M2-1	Nominated Proponent	The proponent nominated by the Minister for the Environment, under section 38(6) or (7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 is responsible for the implementation of the proposal until the Minister for the Environment has revoked the nomination of that proponent and nominated another person as proponent for the proposal.	BHP will implement the proposal until the Minister for the Environment has revoked the nomination.	Letter detailing changes	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	NR	The current proponent remains BHP.
679:M2-2	Change in Proponent	If the proponent wishes to relinquish the nomination, the proponent shall apply for the transfer of proponent and provide a letter with a copy of this statement endorsed by the proposed replacement proponent that the proposal will be carried out in accordance with this statement. Contact details and appropriate documentation on the capability of the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the proposal shall also be provided.	A letter will be submitted requesting relinquishment of the nomination as per the conditions of this statement.	Letter applying for a transfer of proponent and a copy of the Statement endorsed by the proposed replacement proponent.	Overall	Before transfer of ownership of the proposal	NR	The current proponent remains BHP.
679:M2-3	Proponent	The nominated proponent shall notify the Department of Environment of any change of contact name or address within 60 days of such change.	A letter will be submitted as per the conditions of this statement.	NR	Overall	Within 60 days of any change of address	NR	No change to the current name and or address.
679:M3-1	Commencement	The proponent shall substantially commence the proposal within five years of the date of this statement or the approval granted in this statement shall lapse and be void.	The Statement of Compliance (this table) provided in the Annual Environment Report showing the project has substantially commenced	Statement of Compliance	Overall	Within five years of 6 July 2005	CLD	BHP indicated that the proposal was substantially commenced in the AER for reporting period July 2008 – June 2009; submitted to the OEPA in September 2009.
679:M3-2	Commencement	The proponent shall make an application for any extension of approval for the substantial commencement of the proposal beyond five years from the date of the statement to the Minister for the Environment, prior to the expiration date of the five year period referred to in condition 679:M3-1. The application shall demonstrate that: 1) the environmental factors of the proposal have not changed significantly; 2) new, significant environmental issues have not arisen; and 3) all relevant government authorities have been consulted. Note: The Minister for the Environment may consider the grant of an extension of the time limit of approval not exceeding five years for the substantial commencement of the proposal.	A letter will be submitted as per the conditions of this statement.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	At least six months prior to the expiration date of the five year period (by 6 January 2010)	CLD	Nil.
679:M4-1	Compliance audit	The proponent shall prepare an audit program and submit compliance reports to the Department of Environment which address: 1) the status of implementation of the proposal as defined in schedule 1 of this statement; 2) evidence of compliance with the conditions; and 3) the performance of the environmental management plans and programs.	BHP will submit annual reports that verify that the conditions and management plans have been, or are being complied with, and give evidence of how	BHP AER.	Overall	Annual reporting via the Compliance Assessment Report table in the AER	C	Compliance Assessment Reports have been submitted via the AER for Yandi since FY2008.

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		Note: Under sections 48(1) and 47(2) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment is empowered to monitor the compliance of the proponent with the statement and should directly receive the compliance documentation, including environmental management plans, related to the conditions and procedures contained in this statement.	compliance has been achieved.					
679:M4-2	Performance Review	The proponent shall submit a Performance Review report every five years following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, which addresses: 1) the major environmental issues associated with implementing the project; the environmental objectives for those issues; the methodologies used to achieve these; and the key indicators of environmental performance measured against those objectives; 2) the level of progress in the achievement of sound environmental performance, including industry benchmarking, and the use of best practicable measures available; 3) significant improvements gained in environmental management, including the use of external peer reviews; 4) stakeholder and community consultation about environmental performance and the outcomes of that consultation, including a report of any on-going concerns being expressed; and 5) the proposed environmental objectives over the next five years, including improvements in technology and management processes.	Provide a Performance Review Report.	Performance Review Report provided in the AER for every fifth reporting year.	Overall	Every five years following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the EP Act 1986 (Formal authority issued 25/7/2005)	C	Performance Review report was due FY2024 however, was submitted in March FY2025. This was reported in the CAR in FY2025. The next Performance review Report is due in FY2029.
679:M4-3	Report prepared by an auditor	The proponent may submit a report prepared by an auditor approved by the DoE under the 'Compliance Auditor Accreditation Scheme' on each condition of this statement which requires the preparation of a management plan, programme, strategy or system, stating whether the requirements of each condition have been fulfilled within the timeframe stated within each condition.	A Compliance Audit Table (this table) detailing each condition of MS679 will be provided in the AER.	Compliance Report included in the AER.	Overall	As required	C	The obligation to demonstrate whether the requirements of each condition of the statement have been addressed in this FY2026 AER submission.
679:M5-1	Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, CALM and DoIR. This Plan shall include: 1) A description of the key components of the mine (i.e. mining method, mine dewatering, overburden management, ore processing, ore loading and transportation, water and power supply and service infrastructure); 2) Development of a ‘walk away’ solution for the decommissioned mine site, Note: A ‘walk away' solution means that the site shall either no longer require management at the time the proponent ceases mining operations, or if further management is deemed necessary, the proponent shall make adequate provisions so that the required management is undertaken with no liability to the State. 3) A description of how the project will be closed and disturbance areas rehabilitated, with consideration of the potential impacts of climate change, to fulfil the guiding closure principles (as detailed in the Minister's statement under condition 679:M5-1) in relation to Surface Water Resources, Groundwater Resources, Surface and Groundwater Interaction, Landforms, Revegetation and Land Use. 4) Management strategies and/or contingency measures in the event that operational experience and/or monitoring indicate that a guiding closure principle is unlikely to be achieved or any other significant environmental impact arises	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M5-1 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M5. This condition is no longer required. Refer to MS1039 Audit Table Condition 5-1 to 5-4

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679:M5-2	Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation	The proponent shall implement the Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan required by condition 679:M5-1.	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M5-2 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M5. This condition is no longer required. Refer to MS1039 Audit Table Condition 5-1 to 5-4.
679:M5-3	Revision of Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan	The proponent shall review and revise the Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan required by condition 679:M5-1, at intervals not exceeding five years, or when significant changes occur at the mine, taking into account the rehabilitation monitoring and management required by condition 679:M6.	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M5-3 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M5. Refer to MS1039 Audit Table Condition 5-1 to 5-4.
679:M5-4	Public availability - Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan	The proponent shall make the Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan required by condition 679:M5-1 publicly available.	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M5-4 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M5. Refer to MS1039 Audit Table Condition 5-1 to 5-4.
679:M6-1	Progressive Rehabilitation	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. This Plan shall include: 1) Progressive rehabilitation works (i.e. new areas) and rehabilitation management activities (i.e. maintenance of existing areas); 2) A description of how the planned works and activities have been developed with consideration and incorporation (where practicable, and having regard for site conditions) of: the characteristics of the pre-mining ecosystems within the mining leases (through research and/or baseline surveys); the performance of previously rehabilitated areas within the mining lease; the performance of rehabilitation areas at the proponent's other operations in the Pilbara; and best practice rehabilitation techniques used elsewhere in the mining industry. 3) A description of the process and timing for developing rehabilitation performance objectives, parameters and completion criteria; 4) Rehabilitation performance objectives, parameters and completion criteria once they have been developed; 5) Rehabilitation monitoring (i.e. Ecosystem Function Analysis or an equivalent long-term systems-based monitoring programme) which will be used to assess the performance of all rehabilitated areas against the completion criteria; and 6) Reporting of rehabilitation and monitoring results.	Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021).	Overall	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of v Environmental Protection Act 1986 (i.e. before 25 July 2006).	CLD	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2020) is currently being implemented. This was approved by the OEPA on 9 December 2021.
679:M6-2	Progressive Rehabilitation	The proponent shall implement the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan required by condition 679:M6-1	Implement the Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021).	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2020) is currently being implemented. This was approved by the OEPA on 9 December 2021.
679:M6-3	Revision of Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan	The proponent shall review and revise the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan required by condition 679:M6-1 at intervals not exceeding five years.	Review and revise the Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021).	Overall	At intervals not exceeding five years, or when significant changes occur at the mine.	C	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 4, October 2016) was produced within the required 5-year review period. The previous version (Revision 3) was dated November 2011. Submission of the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5) occurred on 30 September 2020 and was approved on 9 December 2021.

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								The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Closure Plan (Revision No. 5) was reviewed and revised to and provided on 9 May 2025 as part of the referral of the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Amendment to the EPA (Revision No. 6). The updated MCP incorporates updated closure knowledge from recent studies and consultation with the Traditional Owners (the Banjima People) on closure outcomes.
679:M6-4	Public availability -Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan	The proponent shall make the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan required by condition 679:M6-1 publicly available	Make the Mine Closure Plan publicly available.	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) is provided upon request.	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The Mine Closure Plan will be made available to the public upon request in accordance with the *Post Assessment Guideline for Making information publicly available* (OEPA 2014). There have been no requests for access in the reporting period.
679:M7-1	Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan(s)	At least 12 months prior to diversion construction of any section of Marillana Creek, the proponent shall prepare a Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, CALM and DoIR. This Plan shall include: 1. design details and specifications of the planned diversion and associated diversion cut-off levee, high flow by-pass spill-out channel(s); 2. design details for creating appropriate transitional gradients to minimise the potential for scouring at the confluence of tributaries and the creek diversion; 3. design options for the section of Marillana Creek to be diverted. Independent technical peer review will be required: to compare the various design options; to ensure that the option selected is the most suitable and practicable, consistent with current best practice; and to ensure that at each diversion there is continuous improvement, based on adaptive management and benchmarking against similar projects in Australia and internationally; 4. the construction programme for the creek diversion, including how the work is to be staged and progressively integrated with the mining operations and mine void overburden infill programme; 5. baseline information on water flow, water quality, geomorphology, fauna, vegetation and flora on the section of Marillana Creek to be diverted; 6. revegetation for the diversion channel using suitable riparian species and alluvial sediment sourced from the diverted section of Marillana Creek; 7. management of Aboriginal heritage matters within the planned disturbance area and vicinity of the planned diversion; 8. weed management within the planned disturbance area and vicinity of the planned diversion; 9. performance criteria for water flow, water quality, vegetation, flora, fauna, ecology and geomorphology for the creek diversion; 10. monitoring of water flow, water quality, vegetation, flora, fauna and ecological and geomorphologic integrity of the creek diversion and downstream of the creek diversion during operations and post-closure; 11. inspection and maintenance of the creek diversion and revegetation works during operations and until the objective is met; 12. findings of hydrological and hydraulic modelling, groundwater modelling, research programmes, and monitoring results to show whether the planned diversion satisfies the relevant guiding closure principles of the	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M7-1 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M7. This condition is no longer required. Refer to 1039:M7

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		Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation Plan required by condition 679:M5-1; 13. water quality management of Marillana Creek which is consistent with the State Water Quality Management Strategy; and 14. reporting procedures and schedule.						
679:M7-2	Marillana Creek Diversion	The proponent shall implement the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan required by condition 679:M7-1, employing the most suitable design option referred to in item 3, Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority.	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M7-2 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M7. Refer to 1039:M7
679:M7-3	Public availability - Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan(s)	The proponent shall make the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan(s) required by condition 679:M7-1 publicly available.	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Condition 679:M7-3 has been deleted and replaced with 1039:M7. Refer to 1039:M7
679:M8-1	Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority. The objectives of this Plan are to monitor the impact on key water parameters and to maintain the quantity and quality of water so that existing and potential environmental values, including ecosystem maintenance, are protected. This Plan shall include: 1. baseline data on groundwater levels and quality within the channel iron deposit aquifer; 2. baseline data on surface water quality and flow for Marillana Creek; 3. groundwater quantity and quality performance criteria; 4. monitoring of the rate of through-flow and quality of groundwater at the downstream boundary of Mining Lease 270SA, at appropriate locations along the channel iron deposit aquifer and in the pit lakes within the project area; 5. monitoring of the effects of drawdown/dewatering on phreatophytic vegetation communities within the project area, and implementation of remedial measures if impacts are detected; 6. management measures to minimise potential impacts on riparian vegetation associated with dewatering and at the discharge point; 7. evaluation of alternative discharge locations and methodologies; 8. management measures to minimise impacts on surface water and groundwater; 9. water quality management which is consistent with the State Water Quality Management Strategy; and 10. reporting of management actions and monitoring results	Prepare a Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan (SWGWMP) to the requirements of the Minister.	The SWGWMP, Revision 3 (October 2014) was submitted to the OEPA as part of a Section 45C application on 28 November 2014. The Section 45C application was approved on 1 April 2015. Ref: A427483:OEPA2001/000759 This SWGWMP is understood to be endorsed through the Section 45C approval process.	Operation	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (i.e. before 25 July 2006).	C	SWGWMP, Revision 3 (October 2014) is the OEPA/DWER endorsed version. A discussion of implementation of the SWGWMP is available in supporting information in the CAR.
679:M8-2	Surface Water and Groundwater Management	Prepare and implement the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan required by condition 679:M8-1 to be consistent with current best practice (where practicable, and having regard for site conditions) and subject to independent peer review every five years, to ensure that there is continuous improvement, based on adaptive management and benchmarking against similar projects in Australia and internationally	Implement Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	To be independently peer reviewed at intervals not exceeding five years	C	An Independent Peer Review was completed by AQ2 in 2025 with feedback to be incorporated into future versions of the Marillana Creek Water Resource Management Plan. The next review is due in 2029.
679:M8-3	Revision of Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan	The proponent shall review and revise the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan required by condition 679:M8-1 at intervals not exceeding five years	The Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan will be revised at intervals not exceeding five years	The latest version of the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan (Rev 2, August 2011) was submitted to the OEPA on 31 August 2014.	Operation	At intervals not exceeding five years	C	The Surface Water Groundwater Management Plan went through a major revision and was submitted for approval under the title Marillana Creek Water Resource Management Plan (MCWRMP), Revision 1.0 to supersede the aforementioned on 1 November 2017.

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								BHP actioned the changes requested by the DWER and re-submitted an Independent Peer Review and Version 1.1 of the MCWRMP on 31 January 2018 to the DWER. DWER responded on 5 April 2018 and requested further changes to the MCWRMP Version 1.1. Since this time BHP have held meetings with DWER (29 April 2018) around the update of the MCWRMP. DWER assessed the Plan against the requirements of condition 8, providing comments to BHP on 17 August 2018. DWER advised that a revised Plan is to be submitted before the Plan can be approved for implementation. BHP undertook a review of the MCWRMP in consideration of DWER comments and recent tree health monitoring results and resubmitted the Management Plan (Version 1.2) on 29 July 2022. In a letter dated 31 October 2024, DWER provided comments on the MCWRMP Version 1.2. As part of the Yandi Significant Amendment referral, BHP provided an updated MCWRMP on 9 May 2025 to support the assessment of the proposed expansion. On 1 September 2025, as part of a Request for Further Information, DWER requested updates to the MCWRMP include subterranean fauna monitoring and management actions. On 5 February 2026, BHP provided the updated MCWRMP along with additional information as requested to support the assessment of the Significant Amendment. On 18 June 2026, DWER requested additional riparian vegetation monitoring sites be considered. BHP are currently investigating options for establishing additional riparian vegetation monitoring sites.
679:M8-4	Surface Water and Groundwater	The proponent shall implement the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan required by condition 679:M8-1	Implement the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	NC	There was one potential non-compliances and one non-compliance identified against condition 679:M8-4: Potential non-compliance: The objective to '*maintain the quantity and quality of water so that existing and potential environmental values, including ecosystem maintenance'* has been partially achieved in the FY2026 reporting period.

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								The quantity of water being maintained may not be to a sufficient level to ensure the protection of existing and potential environmental values. Projects are underway to study and supplement groundwater levels at both Jugari Gorge and Flat Rock in consultation with Traditional Owners. Non-compliance: An analyte was missed in the sampling of a surface water monitoring event. Further details are provided in the CAR.
679:M8-5	Public availability of Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan	The proponent shall make the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan required by condition 679:M8-1 publicly available.	Make the Surface Water and Groundwater Management Plan publicly available	Plan provided upon request	Operation	Throughout the life of the project.	NR	The latest version of the endorsed SWGWMP, Version 3 will be made available to the public upon request. There have been no requests for access in the reporting period.
679:M9-1	Pit Lake Salinity	At all times up to the relinquishment of the leases by the proponent , the proponent shall not cause or allow the Total Dissolved Solids concentration in any pit lake to exceed the 'critical' level of 8,000 milligrams per litre on one or more occasion in each of three consecutive years	Implement monitoring when Pit Lakes are established.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Operation through to decommissioning	At all times up to the relinquishment of the leases by the proponent.	NR	Pit lakes have not been established at Yandi during the reporting period.
679:M9-2	Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan	In the event that groundwater monitoring shows the concentration of Total Dissolved Solids to be in excess of the 'target' level of 6,500 milligrams per litre on one or more occasions in the next year following the two consecutive years, the proponent shall prepare a Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan which incorporates corrective management measures including the time to be taken, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority. The abovementioned management measures shall be one or more of the following: 1. backfilling of the pit lake to above the water table; 2. diversion of surface water flow into the pit lake; or 3. any other appropriate remedial measures.	Prepare a Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan as per this condition.	Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan is a component of the Mine Closure Plan.	Operation through to decommissioning	In the event that groundwater monitoring shows the concentration of TDS to be in excess of the 'target' level of 6,500 mg/L on one or more occasion in each of two consecutive years. Note at present no pit lakes have been established.	NR	Pit lakes have not been established at Yandi during the reporting period.
679:M9-3	Pit Lake Salinity	In the event that groundwater monitoring shows the concentration of Total Dissolved Solids to be in excess of the 'target' level of 6,500 milligrams per litre on one or more occasions in the next year following the two consecutive years, the proponent shall immediately implement the Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan required by condition 679:M9-2.	Implement the Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Operation through to decommissioning	In the event that groundwater monitoring shows the concentration of TDS to be in excess of the 'target' level of 6,500 mg/L on one or more occasion in each of two consecutive years. Note at present no pit lakes have been established.	NR	Pit lakes have not been established at Yandi during the reporting period.
679:M9-4	Public availability - Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan	The proponent shall make the Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan required by condition 679:M9-2 publicly available.	Make the Pit Lake Salinity Contingency Plan publicly available.	Plan provided upon request	Operation through to decommissioning	Throughout the life of the project.	NR	Pit lakes have not been established at Yandi during the reporting period.
679:M9-5	Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan	In the event that the proponent implements option 2 of condition 679:M9-2, and surface waters are diverted into a pit lake and hypersaline water is allowed to flow out of the pit lake into adjoining water courses, the proponent shall prepare a Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority.	Prepare a Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan.	Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan (if required).	Operation through to decommissioning	In the event that the proponent implements option 2 of condition 679:M9-2, and surface waters are diverted into a pit lake and	NR	Option 2 of condition 679:M9-2 has not been required to be implemented.

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		This Plan shall address potential impacts on Marillana Creek and include the following: 1. monitoring; 2. management; and 3. reporting on the impacts.				hypersaline water is allowed to flow out of the pit lake into adjoining water courses.		
679:M9-6	Hypersaline Waters Diversion	The proponent shall implement the Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan required by condition 679:M9-5.	Implement the Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan.	Compliance to be reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER when required.	Operation through to decommissioning	When Option 2 is exercised	NR	Option 2 of condition 679:M9-2 has not been required to be implemented.
679:M9-7	Public availability - Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan	Make the Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan required by condition 679:M9-5 publicly available.	Make the Hypersaline Waters Diversion Management Plan publicly available	Plan provided upon request	Operation through to decommissioning	When the Plan has been approved for release.	NR	Option 2 of condition 679:M9-2 has not been required to be implemented.
679:M10-1	Stygofauna Investigation Plan	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Stygofauna Investigation Plan, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority. This Plan shall include: 1. Subterranean fauna surveys in areas affected by mining operations to assist in establishing the conservation significance of any species within the affected areas; 2. Subterranean fauna surveys in areas with similar habitats outside the areas to be affected by mining operations to assist in establishing the conservation significance of fauna within the areas to be affected; 3. Recording and preserving of biological information on any species collected in the project area; 4. A Stygofauna Management Plan where surveys indicate that species and/or communities of conservation significance exist within the impact areas. This Plan shall include: a) a monitoring programme for species and/or communities of conservation significance; and b) details of management measures to be implemented to ensure persistence of those species and/or communities; and 5. Reporting procedures and schedule.	Prepare a Stygofauna Investigation Plan	BHP Regional Subterranean Fauna Study Research Programme Design (August 2008)	Operation	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (i.e. before 25 July 2006).	C	The regional Stygofauna Investigation Plan undertaken by Biota (2008) was designed and approved in conjunction with DPaW and Western Australian Museum. A Stygofauna Management Plan was deemed not required as conservation significant species would not be impacted within the mining footprint (as likely significant species occurred outside of the impacted areas). A Subterranean Fauna Report from 2024 identified conservation significant species within footprint of MS679; potentially triggering the requirement to implement a Stygofauna Management Plan. Stygofauna management is being incorporated into the MCWRMP and will be provided to DWER for approval.
679:M10-2	Stygofauna Investigation	The proponent shall implement the Stygofauna Investigation Plan required by condition 679:M10-1	Implement the Stygofauna Investigation Plan	BHP Regional Subterranean Fauna Study Research Programme Design (January 2006)	Operation	Following approval of the Stygofauna Investigation Plan	CLD	The Stygofauna Investigation Plan was implemented in 2008.
679:M10-3	Stygofauna Investigation Plan- public availability	The proponent shall make the Stygofauna Investigation Plan required by condition 679:M10-1 publicly available	Make Stygofauna Investigation Plan publicly available	Plan provided upon request	Operation	Throughout the life of the project.	NR	The Stygofauna Investigation Plan will be made available to the public upon request. There have been no requests for access in the reporting period.
679:M11-1	Significant Species Management Programme	Prior to any ground-disturbing activity following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the EP Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Significant Species Management Programme to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. This programme shall include: 1. surveys, prior to ground-disturbing activities, where baseline surveys have identified the likelihood of significant impact (see note) on flora and fauna species, vegetation associations and habitat areas for species of conservation significance; 2. a description of the identified flora and fauna species, vegetation associations and habitat areas for species of conservation significance;	Prepare a Significant Species Management Programme	Marillana Creek Significant Species Management Programme (Rev 1, 2006) consistent with condition 679:M11-1 of the Minister's Statement of Approval No. 000679 was provided to the OEPA.	Overall	Prior to any ground-disturbing activity following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the EP Act, 1986	CLD	The first version of the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Revision 1, June 2006) was submitted to the OEPA in July 2006. The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Revision 2, November 2011) was superseded with a Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), endorsed on 16 April 2021.

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		3. modification of land clearing plans and evaluation of alternative mine plans or creek diversion designs, where practicable, to minimise or avoid impacts on identified flora and fauna species, vegetation associations and habitat areas for species of conservation significance; 4. appropriate demarcation of identified populations and/or individuals of species of conservation significance or habitat areas suitable for fauna species of conservation significance in the vicinity of the disturbance areas; 5. species-specific management plans where mining or creek diversion activities are likely to impact on known locations of significant flora and fauna species, vegetation associations and habitat areas of conservation significance; 6. records of impacted flora and fauna species, vegetation associations and habitat areas of conservation significance and consultation with regulators where potential impacts on conservation significant species are identified; 7. allowance for the staging of mining operations; and 8. reporting procedures and schedule. Note: 'Significant impact' will be determined by the Minister for the Environment acting on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and the Department of Conservation and Land Management.						The Yandi BEMP is currently implemented across the operation from 16 April 2021 onwards.
679:M11-2	Revision of Significant Species Management Programme	The proponent shall review and revise the Significant Species Management Programme required by condition 679:M11-1 at intervals not exceeding five years	Review and revise the Significant Species Management at intervals not exceeding five years.	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Rev 1, June 2006) The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Rev 2, November 2011) was released to the OEPA. A Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan which incorporates Significant Species Management was submitted to DWER in November 2017	Operation	At intervals not exceeding five years.	C	The first version of the Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Revision 1, June 2006) was submitted to the OEPA in July 2006. The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Revision 2, November 2011) was superseded with a Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), endorsed on 16 April 2021. The BEMP (Rev 2) underwent a review by Biologic in May 2026. Findings from the review will be incorporated into future versions of the BEMP.
679:M11-3	Significant Species Management Programme	The proponent shall implement the Significant Species Management Programme required by condition 679:M11-1	Implement the Significant Species Management Programme	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Significant Species Management Programme (Revision 2, November 2011) was superseded with a Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), endorsed on 16 April 2021. A discussion of implementation of the BEMP is available in supporting information in the MS679/MS1039 - FY2026 Compliance Assessment Report.
679:M11-4	Public availability - Significant Species Management Programme	The proponent shall make the Significant Species Management Programme required by condition 679:M11-1 publicly available	The Significant Species Management Programme will be made available to the public upon request	Programme provided upon request	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	NR	The superseded SSMP and the currently implemented Yandi BEMP will be made available to the public upon request in accordance with the *Post Assessment Guideline for Making information publicly available* (OEPA 2014). There have

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								been no requests for access in the reporting period.
679:M12-1	Weed Management Plan	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the proponent shall prepare a Weed Management Plan to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. This Plan shall include: 1. the location, approximate number and type of each weed species which has been recorded during previous vegetation surveys; 2. weed control and eradication measures and monitoring activities to manage weeds; 3. weed species which have not been recorded within the project area, but which have the potential to occur; 4. weed control measures and/or monitoring activities to be used to minimise the potential for weed species which have not been previously recorded in the project area from entering; and 5. reporting procedures and schedule.	A Weed Management Plan will be prepared	Marillana Creek Weed Management Plan (Rev 1, 2006) consistent with condition 679:M12-1 of the Minister's Statement of Approval No. 000679 was provided to the OEPA.	Operation	Within 12 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986	CLD	The Marillana Weed Management Plan (Rev 1, 2006) was submitted to the OEPA in July 2006. This was superseded by the Yandi Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP) which received endorsement on 16 April 2021.
679:M12-2	Revision of Weed Management Plan	The proponent shall review and revise the Weed Management Plan required by condition 679:M12-1 at intervals not exceeding five years.	Review and revise the Weed Management Plan	Revised Weed Management Plans when significant changes occur at the mine and at intervals not exceeding every five years.	Operation	At intervals not exceeding five years.	C	The Marillana Weed Management Plan (Rev 1, 2006) was superseded by the Yandi Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP) which received endorsement on 16 April 2021. The currently endorsed and implemented BEMP incorporates weed management.
679:M12-3	Weed Management	The proponent shall implement the Weed Management Plan required by condition 679:M12-1	Implement the Weed Management Plan	Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), endorsed on 16 April 2021.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	PNC	The Marillana Weed Management Plan (Rev 1, 2006) was superseded by the Yandi Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP) which received endorsement on 16 April 2021. A discussion of implementation of the BEMP is available in supporting information in the CAR.
679:M12-4	Public availability - Weed Management Plan	The proponent shall make the Weed Management Plan required by condition 679:M12-1 publicly available.	The Weed Management Plan will be made available to the public upon request.	Plan provided upon request	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	NR	The superseded WMP and the currently implemented Yandi BEMP will be made available to the public upon request. There have been no requests for access in the reporting period.
1039:M5-1	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner, through the implementation of the Mine Closure Plan referred to in condition 1039:M5-2.	Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) was approved by the OEPA on 9 December 2021	Decommissioning	Upon decommissioning	C	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) is currently implemented.
1039:M5-2	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 3, November 2011).	Implement the Mine Closure Plan	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 3, November 2011).	Decommissioning	Upon decommissioning	CLD	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) is currently implemented. A discussion of implementation of the Mine Closure Plan is available in supporting information in the MS679/MS1039 - FY2026 Compliance Assessment Report.
1039:M5-3	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan referred to in condition 1039:M5-2, on the advice of the Department of Mines and Petroleum	Review and revise the Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan	Overall	At intervals not exceeding three years	C	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021)

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		and to the satisfaction of the CEO, in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 and any updates, at intervals not exceeding three years from the issue of this Statement, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO.		(Revision No. 5, September 2021) was approved by the OEPA on 9 December 2021				is currently implemented and was approved on 9 December 2021.
1039:M5-4	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 1039:M5-1.	Implement the Mine Closure Plan	The Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) was approved by the OEPA on 9 December 2021	Decommissioning	Throughout the life of the project	C	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 5, September 2021) is currently implemented and was approved on 9 December 2021.
1039:M7-1	Marillana Creek Diversion	At least six (6) months prior to diversion construction of any section of Marillana Creek, the proponent shall prepare a Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan to the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Mines and Petroleum. The objective of this Plan is to ensure that diverted sections of Marillana Creek function as a fluvial system in a similar manner to the existing creek system. This Plan shall include: 1. design details and specifications of the planned diversion(s), associated diversion cut-off levee(s) and high flow by-pass spill-out channel(s); 2. design details for creating appropriate transitional gradients to minimise the potential for scouring at the confluence of tributaries and the creek diversion; 3. design options for the section of Marillana Creek to be diverted. Independent technical peer review will be required: to compare the various design options; • to ensure that the option selected is the most suitable and practicable, consistent with current best practice; and • to ensure that at each diversion there is continuous improvement, based on adaptive management and benchmarking against similar projects in Australia and internationally; 4. the construction programme for the creek diversion, including how the work is to be staged and progressively integrated with the mining operations and mine void overburden infill programme; 5. baseline information on water flow, water quality, geomorphology, fauna, vegetation and flora on the section of Marillana Creek. to be diverted; 6. revegetation for the diversion channel using suitable riparian species and alluvial sediment sourced from the diverted section of Marillana Creek; 7. management of Aboriginal heritage matters within the planned disturbance area and vicinity of the planned diversion; 8. weed management within the planned disturbance area and vicinity of the planned diversion; 9. performance criteria for water flow, water quality, ecology and geomorphology for the creek diversion; 10. monitoring of water flow, water quality, vegetation, flora, fauna and ecological and geomorphologic integrity of the creek diversion and downstream of the creek diversion during operations and post-closure; 11. inspection and maintenance of the creek diversion and revegetation works during operations and until the objective is met; 12. findings of hydrological and hydraulic modelling, groundwater modelling, research programmes, and monitoring results to show whether the planned diversion satisfies the objectives of the Mine Closure Plan referred to in condition 1039:M5-2; 13. water quality management of Marillana Creek which is consistent with the State Water Quality Management Strategy, 2000 or the approved equivalent; and 14. reporting procedures and schedule.	Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan	Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan	Overall	At least six (6) months prior to diversion construction of any section of Marillana Creek	CLD	The Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan was submitted to the OEPA on 7 October 2016 and approved by the OEPA on 30 March 2017. Ref: AC05-2016-0017 Marillana Creek Diversion works commenced late October 2017.

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1039:M7-2	Marillana Creek Diversion	The proponent shall implement the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan required by condition 1039:M7-1, employing the most suitable design option referred to in 7-1 (3).	Implement the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan	Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Diversion works commenced October 2017. The Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan Rev 0 is in effect. A Levell III Monitoring Event was undertaken in FY2026. A discussion on the monitoring of the Marillana Creek Diversion is available in supporting information in the MS679/MS1039 - FY2025 Compliance Assessment Report.
1039:M7-3	Marillana Creek Diversion	The proponent shall make the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan required by condition 1039:M7-1 publicly available.	Make the Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan publicly available.	Plan will be provided upon request	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	NR	The Marillana Creek Diversion Management Plan will be made available to the public upon request. There have been no requests for access in the reporting period.
1039:M13-1	Offsets	The proponent shall contribute funds to offset clearing of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley IBRA subregion and calculated pursuant to condition 1039:M13-3. This funding shall be provided to a government established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.	Contribute required offset funds as directed by the Minister.	Offsets funds payments made.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The IRR for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024 was submitted 30 September 2024. The corresponding invoice was received on 26 May 2025 and paid on 03 July 2025.
1039:M13-2	Offsets	Condition 1039:M13-1 does not apply to the 4,050 hectares of clearing of native vegetation previously authorised on 1 April 2015, as detailed in Attachment 5 to Ministerial Statement 679.	The exemption stipulated in condition 1039:M13-2 will be accounted for in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure Version 1.0 (approved June 2019) provides information for the Exemptions that apply to MS 1039 including the 4,050 ha of clearing previously authorised under MS 679.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure Version 1.0 (approved June 2019) provides information for the Exemptions that apply to MS 1039 including the 4,050 ha of clearing previously authorised under MS 679. Version 2.2 submitted for review on 9 May 2022, also reiterated the MS 1039 Offset Exemption requirements outlined by this condition. This is also outlined in the baseline spatial dataset used for the Impact Reconciliation Reporting each biennial year.
1039:M13-3	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement identified in condition 1039:M13-1 shall be paid biennially, the first payment due two years after commencement of the additional ground disturbance authorised for the proposal under section 45C of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 on 4 May 2016, as detailed in Attachment 6 to Ministerial Statement 679. The amount of funding will be made on the following basis and in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 13. $750 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley IBRA subregion.	Contribute required offset funds as directed by the Minister.	Offsets funds payments made as invoiced.	Overall	Biennially after the commencement of ground disturbance	C	The IRR for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024 was submitted 30 September 2024. The corresponding invoice was received on 26 May 2025 and paid on 03 July 2025.
1039:M13-4	Offsets	The proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO within six months of the date of this Statement, or as approved by the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Impact Reconciliation Procedure submitted to CEO.	Overall	Before 4 April 2017	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure Version 1.0 submitted to the CEO on 8 March 2017, approved June 2019. Version 2.2 for MS 1039 was submitted to DWER on 9 May 2022 for review. This version addressed DWER comments from previous versions, including Version 2.1. Version 2.3 was submitted on 10

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								February 2023 and approved on 6 September 2023.
1039:M13-5	Offsets	In the event that additional clearing is authorised for the proposal, the proponent shall revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 1039:M13-4 to the satisfaction of the CEO within twelve months of that clearing being authorised.	Revise and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure	Revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure submitted to CEO.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No additional clearing requested or approved in the reporting period.
1039:M13-6	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 13-4 shall: 1 include a methodology to identify clearing of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley I BRA subregion; 2 include a methodology for calculating the area of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the Hamersley IBRA subregion for each biennial time period, and for which contributions shall be made to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement as required by condition 13-1; 3 include the submission of spatial data identifying areas of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation that has been cleared within the Hamersley I BRA subregion for each biennial time period; and 4 state dates for the commencement of the biennial time period and for the submission of results of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure, to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure that satisfies the requirements of condition 1039:M13-6.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure Version 1.0 submitted to the CEO on 8 March 2017 was endorsed June 2019 Ref: DWERA-001513. Version 2.2 was submitted for review by DWER on 9 May 2022. Version 2.3 was submitted on 10 February 2023 and endorsed on 6 September 2023.
1039:M13-7	Offsets	The proponent shall implement the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 1039:M13-4.	Implement the endorsed Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP Billiton Iron Ore's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report was submitted 30 September 2024. Invoice received for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024. This invoice was paid in June 2025. The final Impact Reconciliation Report under MS679 and 1039 is due 30 September 2026.
1039:M13-8	Offsets	The real value of contributions described in condition 1039:M13-3 will be maintained through indexation to the Perth Consumer Price Index (CPI), with the first adjustment to be applied to the first contribution.	Apply CPI to offsets fund payments.	Offsets funds payments made as invoiced.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The rate of the Offset contributions has been adjusted to cater for the Perth Consumer Price Index. The rate indexed to CPI has been invoiced and paid in FY2025.

3.6 Ministerial Statement 682

3.6.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 682 (Goldsworthy Iron Ore Mines Extension Project) for the FY2026 reporting period. Ministerial Statement 682 was approved on 11 August 2005. The Ministerial Statement project area provides approval for the extension of operations at the Yarrie, Nimingarra and Cattle Gorge mine areas. Ministerial Statement 682 permits up to 8.5 Mtpa of ore to be mined and processed.

Operations at Yarrie, Nimingarra and Cattle Gorge were suspended in May 2014. Routine inspections of infrastructure and key environmental risks have continued at the site while operations have been suspended.

During the FY2026 reporting period, rehabilitation activities at Nimingarra have continued.

Consultation with DWER, DMPE and DBCA has occurred on a range of matters while operations have remained suspended.

BHP will continue to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Yarrie and Nimingarra mine areas in the context of its broader supply chain. In the interim, BHP will continue to progress its program of rehabilitating disturbed areas and decommissioning of redundant infrastructure.

The following information reports the proponent's progress against the conditions and commitments of Ministerial Statement 682 for the FY2026 reporting period.

3.6.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The current implementation status for Ministerial Statement 682 is operational.

An amendment to the Ministerial Statement was approved on 8 June 2006 to increase the land disturbed from 97 ha to 145 ha to permit the extension of the Y10 pit area. A second amendment was approved on 8 October 2013 to increase the land disturbed from 145 ha to 270 ha and allocate the disturbance within Yarrie, Cattle Gorge and Nimingarra. There have been no applications submitted to change the conditions of the Ministerial Statement in the FY2026 reporting period.

3.6.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Goldsworthy Iron Ore Mines Extension Project
Statement Number	682
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 682 - Goldsworthy Iron Ore Mines Extension Project audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)	☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)		

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 682 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;

- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.6.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 682 and covers:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Table 3-18 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS682

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	236.29	236.29
Total	**236.29**	**236.29**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	25.23	25.23
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	118.82	120.44
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**144.06**	**145.67**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).
[1] Disturbance includes pit voids, waste dumps, infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, haul and access roads and railway), supporting facilities (borrow pits, ore stockpiles, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition.

Table 3-19 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS682

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	123.89
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	26.18
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	6.09
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.04
14	Dam fresh water	0.26
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.62
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.26
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	17.01
22	Laydown or hardstand area	1.22
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.83
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1.41
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0.00
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	145.67
30	Topsoil stockpile	2.49
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0.00
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO:

682 - Nimingarra

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:154,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS	FIGURE:	1
DATE:	19/06/2026	REGISTER:	ES&G	NO:	A1455/004A

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Statement 682

Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for OEPA use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
682:M1.1	Implementation	The proponent shall implement the proposal as documented in Schedule 1 of this statement, subject to the conditions of this statement.	Implement the proposal as documented in Schedule 1 of this statement.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	Prior to the suspension of mining operations as of May 2014, the proposal was implemented as per Schedule 1 of MS682.
682:M2.1	Proponent Commitments	The proponent shall implement the environmental management commitments documented in Schedule 2 of this statement.	Implement the environmental management commitments documented in Schedule 2 of this statement.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) has been reviewed and formally approved in April 2024 (Revision 5, 2023) meeting the review period requirements. The EMP has been implemented onsite effectively since April 2024.
682:M3.1	Nominated Proponent	The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for the Environment, under section 38(6) or (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* is responsible for the implementation of the proposal until such time as the Minister for the Environment has exercised the Ministers powers under section 38(7) of the Act to revoke the nomination of that proponent and nominate another person as proponent for the proposal.	Maintain responsibility for the implementation of the proposal until such time as the Minister for the Environment has exercised the Ministers powers under section 38(7) of the Act to revoke the nomination of that proponent and nominate another person as proponent for the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	The Minister for the Environment will be advised if there are any changes to the proponent.
682:M3.2	Change in Proponent	If the proponent wishes to relinquish the nomination, the proponent shall apply for the transfer of proponent and provide a copy of this statement endorsed by the proposed replacement proponent that the proposal in accordance with the statement shall be provided.	Application to transfer the proponent.	A copy of this statement endorsed by the proposed replacement proponent.	Overall	Before transfer of ownership or control of the proposal.	NR	The Minister for the Environment will be advised if there are any changes to the proponent.
682:M3.3	Proponent	The nominated proponent shall notify the Department of Environment of any change of contact name or address within 60 days of such change.	Letter to the Department of Environment.	Notification of change of proponent contact name and address.	Overall	Within 60 days of any change of address.	C	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
682:M4.1	Commencement	The proponent shall substantially commence the proposal within five years of the date of this statement or the approval granted in this statement shall lapse and be void.	Commencement of proposal	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within 5 years of the date of this statement.	CLD	This condition has been met. Mining commenced August 2005.
682:M4.2	Commencement	The proponent shall make an application for any extension of approval for the substantial commencement of the proposal beyond five years from the date of the statement to the Minister for the Environment, prior to the expiration date of the five-year period referred to in condition 4-1. The application shall demonstrate that: 1) the environmental factors of the proposal have not changed significantly. 2) new, significant environmental issues have not arisen; and 3) all relevant government authorities have been consulted.	Application for an extension of approval for the substantial commencement of the proposal beyond five years from the date of the statement.	Letter regarding extension required, stating that the proposal is to be implemented as approved.	Overall	At least six months prior to the expiration date of the five-year period of approval (by 11 February 2010).	CLD	This condition has been met. Mining commenced August 2005.

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		Note: The Minister for the Environment may consider the grant of an extension of the time limit of approval not exceeding five years for the substantial commencement of the proposal.						
682:M5.1	Compliance Audit	The proponent shall prepare an audit programme and submit compliance reports to the Department of Environment which address: 1) the status of implementation of the proposal as defined in schedule 1 of this statement. 2) evidence of compliance with the conditions; and 3) the performance of the environmental management plans and programs. Note: Under sections 48(1)and 47(2) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment is empowered to monitor the compliance of the proponent with the statement and should directly receive the compliance documentation, including environmental management plans, related to the conditions and procedures contained in this statement.	Audit table and Compliance Assessment Report	Audit table and Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Throughout the life of the project	C	An audit program was submitted and approved by the Department of Environment in April 2006. The assessment of compliance in accordance with the audit program is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
682:M6.1	Conservation of Significant Flora and Fauna - Pre-disturbance Surveys	Prior to ground disturbing activity following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45(7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, the proponent shall conduct surveys of the areas to be disturbed by the project for priority flora and significant fauna species, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM.	BHP to conduct surveys of areas to be disturbed.	Survey results presented in a summary report.	Operation	Prior to ground disturbing activity for the extension project	C	Relevant surveys were completed in 1999 and 2004 prior to the project commencing (Ecologia Environmental Consultants 1999 and 2004). No surveys are planned to occur while mining operations have been suspended, however additional surveys may be required if disturbance occurs while mining has been suspended (e.g. drilling for groundwater monitoring, rehabilitation earthworks, firebreaks). Should mining operations resume, relevant surveys will be completed as required.
682:M6.2	Conservation of Significant Flora and Fauna - Reporting	The proponent shall provide each summary report of the results of the surveys required by condition 6-1 to CALM within two weeks of the report becoming available.	Summary Reports for Significant Flora and Fauna surveys to be completed.	Submit Survey findings for Significant Flora and Fauna within two weeks of report becoming available	Operation	Prior to ground disturbing activity for extension project	C	Results of these surveys were provided in the Goldsworthy Extension Project Environmental Protection Statement Volume 1 and 2 (BHP, 2005). Should mining operations resume, relevant summary reports for significant flora and fauna surveys will be completed and submitted as required.
682:M6.3	Significant Species Management Plans - Preparation	Within 6 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45 (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* the proponent shall prepare and submit Significant Species Management Plans for the Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat (*Rhinonicteris aurantius*), the Ghost Bat (*Macroderma gigas*) and any other priority flora or significant fauna species recorded during the surveys required by condition 6-1, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. These plans shall describe the significant identified species of flora and fauna and significant vegetation associations and habitat areas, and shall set out procedures and measures to: 1. delineate the identified populations and/or individuals of conservation-significant identified species of flora and fauna, and map the extent of conservation-significant vegetation associations and habitat areas 2. modify land clearing plans and evaluate alternative mine plans to minimise or avoid impacts on the conservation-significant identified species of flora and fauna, vegetation associations and habitat areas; 3. minimise impacts where the proposed mining activities, changes to water flow patterns, or groundwater drawdown are likely to impact on conservation-significant identified species of flora and fauna, vegetation associations and habitat areas; 4. monitor and record impacts on identified conservation-significant species of flora and fauna, vegetation associations and habitat areas; and 5. implement appropriate contingency plans where impacts on conservation-significant species of flora and fauna, vegetation associations and habitat areas are identified.	Develop a Significant Species Management Plan	Significant Species Management Plans for Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat, the Ghost Bat and any other priority flora or significant species recorded during the surveys required by condition 6-1	Operation	Within 6 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45 (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (i.e. before 16/2/2006).	CLD	This condition was met in 2005 when the Significant Species Management Plan (SSMP) was approved by the OEPA. Revision 3 of the SSMP was approved and implemented in 2009 (BHP Billiton Iron Ore 2009a).
682:M6.4	Significant Species Management Plans- Implementation	The proponent shall implement the Significant Species Management Plans required by condition 6-3.	Implementation of Significant Species Management Plan.	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	In letter dated 7 September 2015 the OEPA provided approval for an amendment to the SSMP to cease quarterly monitoring at known caves while mining operations are suspended, ongoing extension was granted until operations resume.

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								Most commitments in the significant species management plan only apply when mining is active. During FY2025 BHP engaged a specialist consultant to update the SSMP, which was last updated in 2009.This is currently going through internal review and endorsement.
682:M6.5	Significant Species Management Plans-Public Availability	The proponent shall make the Significant Species Management Plans required by condition 6-3 publicly available.	Significant Species Management Plan will be made publicly available if requested.	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	A copy of the SSMP will be made available to the public upon request.
682:M7.1	Weed Management Plan	The proponent shall not carry out ground disturbing activities other than in accordance with a Weed Management Plan prepared to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. This plan shall: 1. describe the location and area affected for each weed species which occurs in the proposal area; 2. identify any additional weed species which have the potential to occur in the proposal area; and shall set out procedures and measures to 3. monitor weed species; 4. control or eradicate weed species; 5. prevent the spread of weed species; and 6. prevent the introduction of any additional weed species.	Implement Weed Management Plan	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	Prior to ground disturbing activity for extension project	C	Where ground disturbance activities occurred on site, mobile machinery was inspected, cleaned and certified prior to arrival in accordance with the Weed Management Plan.
682:M7.2	Weed Management Plan-Implementation	The proponent shall implement the Weed Management Plan required by condition 7-1.	Implement Weed Management Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	By letter dated 7 September 2015 the OEPA provided a 12-month approval for an amendment to the Weed Management Plan to reduce frequency of inspections of disturbed and weed risk areas to annually while mining operations are suspended. By letter dated 23 November 2018 BHP requested approval to continue this amendment for calendar years 2018 and 2019. In a response from DWER dated 7 July 2020, ongoing extension was granted until operations resume. During FY2026 BHP engaged a specialist consultant to update the 2009 Weed Management Plan to align with current weed knowledge across site. Weed spraying and manual removal was completed by contractors during FY2026 and no new weed species were identified on site. Regular weed inspections were carried out by site environmental specialist to monitor weed infestations. This includes areas where weed management was completed and areas post-rehabilitation to monitor potential weed presence.
682:M7.3	Weed Management Plan-Public Availability	The proponent shall make the Weed Management Plan required by condition 7-1 publicly available.	Weed Management Plan will be made publicly available if requested.	Weed Management Plan	Operation	After the Plan has been approved for release	C	A copy of the Weed Management Plan will be made available to the public upon request.
682:M8.1	Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan - Preparation	Within 6 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45 (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* the proponent shall commence surveys for subterranean fauna in accordance with a Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan prepared to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. The Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan shall set out procedures and measures to: 1. survey areas affected by project operations; and 2. survey areas with similar habitats outside the areas to be affected by project operations to establish the conservation significance of fauna within the areas to be affected.	Surveys for subterranean fauna completed in accordance with a Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan	Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan	Operation	Within 6 months following the formal authority issued to the decision-making authorities under section 45 (7) of the *Environmental Protection Act*	CLD	This condition has been met. The Survey Plan was approved by the Department of Environment in February 2006. Surveys were completed in 2005, 2006 and 2007 (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).

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						1986 (i.e. before 16/2/2006)		
682:M8.2	Subterranean Fauna Management	In the event that the results of the surveys required by condition 8-1 indicate that there is a risk of loss of subterranean species or communities as a result of project operations the proponent shall institute management measures in accordance with a Subterranean Fauna Management Plan prepared to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority and CALM. The Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan shall set out procedures and measures to: 1. avoid and/or manage impacts on subterranean fauna species and/or communities and their habitats where the long-term survival of those species and/or communities may be at risk as a result of project operations; 2. monitor the distribution and abundance of species and/or communities of subterranean fauna, groundwater levels, groundwater quality and other relevant aspects of subterranean fauna habitat to ensure that the long-term survival of subterranean fauna species and communities is not compromised as a result of project operations; and 3. take timely remedial action in the event that monitoring indicates that project operations may compromise the long-term survival of subterranean fauna and / or communities	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Operation	In the event that the results of the surveys required by condition 8-1 indicate that there is a risk of loss of subterranean species or communities as a result of project operations.	CLD	Nil.
682:M8.3	Subterranean Fauna Management Plan-Implementation	Prior to the commencement of dewatering activities at Cattle Gorge or Nimingarra 1, the proponent shall Implement the Subterranean Fauna Management Plan required by condition 8-2.	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Operation	Prior to the commencement of dewatering activities at Cattle Gorge or Nimingarra 1.	CLD	Nil.
682:M8.4	Subterranean Fauna Management Plan-Public availability	The proponent shall make the Subterranean Fauna Management Plan required by condition 8-2 publicly available.	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Surveys from Subterranean Fauna Survey Plan indicated that a Management Plan was not required (Biota Environmental Sciences, 2008).	Operation	After the Plan has been approved	CLD	Nil.
682:M9.1	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan - Implementation	The proponent shall rehabilitate and decommission the new project areas in accordance with the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan included in the Environmental Protection Statement (May 2005), or subsequent revisions of the Plan, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, WRC, DoIR and CALM.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Operation	Throughout the life of the project	C	The site has not commenced the decommissioning period; however, a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). A revised Mine Closure Plan submitted for review in August 2024 and was approved December 2024.
682:M9.2	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan - Revision	The proponent shall Review and revise the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan at intervals no more than five years, to the requirements of the Minister for the Environment on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, WRC, DoIR and CALM. Each revision of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan shall set out procedures and measures to: 1. manage over the long term ground and surface water systems affected by the open pits and waste rock dumps; 2. rehabilitate all disturbed areas to a standard suitable for the agreed end land use(s); 3. backfill the Nim I and Cattle Gorge pits, to at least five metres above the pre-mining groundwater table so as to minimise impacts to groundwater quality and subterranean fauna; 4. identify contaminated areas, including provision of evidence of notification and propose management measures to relevant statutory authorities; and 5. develop management strategies and/or contingency measures in the event that operational experience and/or monitoring indicate that a closure objective is unlikely to be achieved.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Revise Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan every five years.	Operation	At intervals not exceeding five years	C	The site has not commenced the decommissioning period; however, a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was developed (BHP, 2009). The revised Mine Closure Plan submitted for review in August 2024 and was approved December 2024.

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682:M9.3	Revisions of Decommissioning and Final Rehabilitation - Public Availability	The proponent shall make the Revisions of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan required by condition 9-2 publicly available.	Provide the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan when requested.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan made publicly available.	Operation	After the Plan has been approved	C	Nil.
682:P1	Environmental Management Plan	Implement an Environmental Management Plan for the project which include the following: 1. A description of key components of the Project (i.e. mining method, overburden management, ore processing, ore loading and transportation, water and power supply, and service infrastructure). 2. A description of the Environmental Management System, and the Environmental Risk Assessment and Management systems which will be used at the Project. This section will include a description of the findings of the proponent's most recent Environmental Risk Assessment of the Goldsworthy Extension Project operations. It will also include a description of how best practicable environmental measures have been applied to risks which are identified (through the Risk Assessment Process) as requiring this level of management to reduce residual risk to an acceptable level. 3. A description of the environmental management procedures and practices to be used to minimise impacts on key environmental aspects. These aspects are to include: soil resources, landforms, surface water, groundwater, flora (including priority species and species of interest), fauna (including priority species and species of interest), air quality, noise, waste, dangerous goods and hazardous materials, and Aboriginal heritage. 4. For each environmental aspect, the Environmental Management Plan will describe the overall management objective, potential impacts, management measures, and monitoring programme to track performance; 5. the Environmental Management will be reviewed and revised at intervals of no more than five years, or when significant changes occur at the Mine; and 6. a copy of each new revision of the Environmental Management Plan will be provided to key stakeholders, and to other interested parties if requested.	Environmental Management Plan	Environmental Management Plan	Operation	Prior to ground-disturbing activity for the extension project	C	The approved Environmental Management Plan (EMP) met the interval requirements for review for the FY2024 reporting period and has been formally approved by the regulator in April 2024. All new direct ground disturbance required on site was completed in accordance with a Land Use Permit.. Utilisation of existing disturbance was adopted where possible, while disturbance of priority flora and fauna were minimised. Where new significant flora or fauna were identified at GNA, BHP's internal GIS layer was updated to reflect new data. Monitoring of flora and fauna was conducted throughout FY2026. No incidents of injury or death of significant fauna occurred on site during FY2026. Weeds were managed across site as per the Weed Management plan, while monitoring of flora and significant fauna species was conducted throughout FY2026. Management of potential AMD and contaminated sites impacts was implemented.
682:P2	Annual Environmental Reports	Prepare Annual Environmental Reports (AERs) which discuss environmental management actions, summarise monitoring results and describe rehabilitation activities at the Project over the 12-month reporting period; and the AERs will be made publicly available to key stakeholders and provide copies to other interested parties if requested.	Annual Environmental Reports	Annual Environmental Reports	Operation	Annually	C	Required information is detailed within this report. A copy of the AER's will be made available to the public upon request.
682:P3	Disturbance to Cattle Gorge	Manage the proposed mining activities at the Cattle Gorge mining area to minimise the potential for direct or indirect disturbance to the Cattle Gorge through implementation of the following measures: 1) a buffer zone of approximately 400 metres will be established between all mining and land disturbance activities at the Cattle Gorge mining area and the Gorge itself. Permission to enter the buffer zone will be restricted to employees and contractors authorised by the proponent; and 2) employees and Contractors will be made aware of the environmental, heritage and land use values of Cattle Gorge, and their obligations to protect these values, via the Goldsworthy induction programme.	Implement buffer zones and provide a Goldsworthy induction.	Compliance Assessment Report	Operation	During mining activities at Cattle Gorge Mining Area	C	Access to the buffer zone has been previously controlled by a locked gate, earthen bund and signage. The buffer zone is demarcated on the site mine plan. These controls will be maintained while mining operations are suspended at the site.

3.7 Ministerial Statement 781

3.7.1 Introduction

Ministerial Statement 781 (MS781) for dredging at Harriet Point was issued in July 2009. This Compliance Assessment Report is for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

3.7.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Dredging at Harriet Point was completed on 29 December 2009. Planning and execution of rehabilitation activities under this statement is ongoing.

A revised Land Use Management Plan (LUMP) for Dredge Material Management Area (DMMA) A was submitted to the EPA on 24 March 2017. Rehabilitation of the DMMA A has been completed to the requirement of the Deed between Pilbara Port Authority (PPA) and BHP authorising construction and rehabilitation works at DMMA A. DMMA B1 and B2 have been utilised in the construction of the new BHP Tug Harbour.

A Section 45C was submitted in August 2019 which included a revised LUMP for DMMA B1 to change the final height of the land use. EPA Services requested minor changes to the plan on 16 June 2021 which were addressed by BHP on 25 June 2021. Further updates were included in the plan which was submitted again on 19 November 2021. The S45C application was approved on 25 January 2022, increasing the final berm height of DMMA B1 to 30 meters AHD.

3.7.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Dredging at Finucane Island, BHP Billiton Iron Ore RGP5 Project, Port Hedland
Statement Number	781
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☐ Operation	☑ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 781 - Dredging at Finucane Island audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 781 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.7.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 781 and covers:

- MS Status Map
- MS Audit Table

3.7.5 Supporting/Verifying Information/Documentation

Key Characteristics Table

Table 3-21 Ministerial Statement 781 Key Characteristics Table

Key Characteristics Table Element	Description	Compliance Status	Further Information
Volume of material to be dredged	Approximately 3,950,000 m3	Completed	Approximately 4,900,000 m^3 of material was placed in onshore and offshore spoil areas consistent with expected swell factors.
Duration of dredging	40 weeks approximately	Completed	Dredging commenced on 23 March 2009 and concluded on 29 December 2009.
Area of marine disturbance for dredging	No more than 28 ha at Harriet Point and Stanley Point	Completed	28 ha disturbed at Harriet Point
Area of land disturbance for dredging	Not more than 4 ha at Harriet Point and Stanley Point	Completed	3.86 ha disturbed at Harriet Point and Stanley Point
Area of benthic primary producer habitat loss	Not more than 6.5 ha of mangrove habitat No loss of coral habitat	Completed	2.5 ha of mangrove habitat was disturbed. The coral health at the potential impact site at Finucane Island was not identified as having declined during dredging and the water quality at the monitoring sites was maintained as suitable for coral growth. As reported to DEC as part of the MS781 RGP5 Performance Report 2010.
Offshore disposal of dredged material	Not more than 800,000 m^3 to PHPA Spoil Ground 'I' (Commonwealth waters)	Completed	161,429 m^3 was dumped offshore under Sea Dumping Permit SD2008/0942, as reported to DEWHA on 27 January 2010.
Onshore disposal of dredged material	DMMA B1: not more than 26 ha DMMA B2: not more than 19 ha DMMA A: not more than 85 ha	Completed	25.74 ha disturbed at DMMA B1 18.88 ha disturbed at DMMA B2 70.11 ha disturbed at DMMA A
Final height of DMMA B1 and B2	Seawalls: not more than 7 metres AHD Surface height (not including vegetation): not more than 30 m AHD	Compliant (S45C Application approved 25 January 2022)	Seawalls were constructed to this specification, as per post-construction survey data. A 17-metre berm was constructed and rehabilitated at DMMA B1 in 2013. Dredge material removed from DMMA B2 during the construction of the tugboat harbour was stockpiled behind the DMMA B1 berm to a temporary height of approximately 32 m AHD. DMMA B1 has been reprofiled to a final reduced height of 30 m AHD in 2022 following the S45C approval.

Performance against Environmental Management Plans under implementation
Condition 8.3 - DMMA B1 Land Use Management Plan - Plan Objectives:

1. Minimise adverse effects on the environmental values of surrounding areas; e.g. dust generation, changes in surface water drainage, weed infestation and impacts on fauna.

There have been no known adverse off-site impacts associated with the land use under this statement, with no dust, erosion, sedimentation, fauna or weed related events reported.

2. Ensure that each DMMA land surface is managed such that it is safe, stable and suitable for designated end land use.

Each DMMA has maintained stability and integrity to date. Access to each DMMA is controlled. DMMA A is no longer fenced as it has been rehabilitated. DMMA A has been rehabilitated and a close out report submitted to the Pilbara Port Authority.

DMMA B1 and B2 areas are located within the controlled access gate for BHPs operations at Finucane Island. DMMA B1 and B2 material has been used in the construction of the new BHP Tug Harbour. Dredge material removed from DMMA B2 during the construction of the tugboat harbour was stockpiled behind the DMMA B1 berm to a temporary height of approximately 32 metres AHD.

Between July 2022 and September 2022, BHP commenced reprofiling works on the DMMA B1 landform incorporating the additional DMMA B2 material profiled to the approved final height of 30 metres AHD. Further works on DMMA B1 commenced in July 2023 to complete the final landform, make improvements to the drainage flow paths of the structure following initial earthworks, and to install irrigation to meet the requirements of the vegetation management actions in the Land Use Management Plan (Rev2.8).

Compliance to the management actions / targets detailed in Table 6 of the LUMP (Rev2.8) required after the final landform was completed in September 2023, is summarised below:

- Visual Amenity: Vegetation / weed mapping completed by Pilbara Ecological Pty Ltd (Pilbara Ecological) in May 2026 concluded that the native vegetation cover for the entire rehabilitation site was determined to be 25.1 per cent.
- Dust: Dust monitoring has been completed during the construction period with no reportable event exceedances assessed to be attributed to the construction project.
- Weeds: Vegetation / weed mapping completed by Pilbara Ecological in May 2026 concluded that the overall percentage weed cover for the rehabilitation site was determined to be 5.9 per cent which is below the 10 per cent criteria in the Land Use Management Plan (Rev2.8).
- Erosion and Landform Stability: An independent geotechnical review was commissioned to confirm the landform has been constructed in accordance with the engineered design for safety and stability. Minor improvements to landform stability and drainage were made back in May 2024.

3. Maintain a landscaped view of the area.

DMMA A has been rehabilitated to represent and blend with the local landscape.

DMMA B1 and B2 have been used in the construction of the new BHP Tug Harbour. Dredge material removed from DMMA B2 during the construction of the tugboat harbour was stockpiled behind the DMMA B1 berm to a temporary height of approximately 32 metres AHD and the final landform reprofiling was completed in September 2023.

The eastern side of the DMMA B1 remained vegetated during the reprofiling of the additional DMMA B2 material, so that the landscaped view from the West End precinct did not change.

4. Identify an environmentally sustainable final land use for the reclaimed material and management areas.

BHP has completed a rehabilitation program on DMMA A. This work included the placement of a capping layer of material and bulk earthworks to provide a landscape suitable to undertake revegetation activities. The works were undertaken with consideration for drainage, erosion control, minimising dust generation and reinstatement of local native vegetation. The close-out report has been submitted to the Pilbara Port Authority.

In July 2022 BHP commenced reprofiling works of the DMMA B1 landform to reduce it to 30 metres AHD in height. The works were undertaken with consideration for drainage, erosion control, minimising dust generation and reinstatement of local native vegetation. Final landform and seeding were completed in September 2023 with native vegetation coverage assessed to be at 25.1 per cent in May 2026.



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO:

781 - Port Hedland

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:43,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS	FIGURE:	1
DATE:	19/06/2026	REGISTER:	ES&G	NO:	A1455/004A

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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for OEPA use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
781:M1.1	Implementation	The proponent shall implement the proposal as assessed by the Environmental Protection Authority and described in schedule 1 of this statement subject to the conditions and procedures of this statement.	Project implemented in accordance with these criteria.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Reported through the Annual Environmental Report. Non-compliances to the conditions of this statement have been included in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR).
781:M2.1	Proponent Nomination	The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for Environment under sections 38(6) or 38(7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* is responsible for the implementation of the proposal.	The proponent will remain responsible for the implementation of the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports submitted in the BHP Annual Environmental Report (AER).
781:M2.2	Proponent Nomination	The proponent shall notify the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of DEC of any change of the name and address of the proponent for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 30 days of such change.	Letter notifying the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Letter notifying the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 30 days of such change.	C	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
781:M3.1	Time Limit	The authorisation to implement the proposal provided for in this statement shall lapse and be void within five years after the date of this statement if the proposal to which this statement relates is not substantially commenced.	Letter notifying the CEO that the proposal has substantially commenced.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within 5 years after the date of Statement 781.	CLD	Copy of Daily Dredging Report, dated 23 March 2009, submitted to the DEC on 24 November 2009.
781:M3.2	Time Limit	The proponent shall provide the CEO of DEC with written evidence which demonstrates that the proposal has substantially commenced on or before the expiration of five years from the date of this statement.	Letter notifying the CEO that the proposal has substantially commenced.	Letter notifying the CEO Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within 5 years after the date of Statement 781.	CLD	Copy of Daily Dredging Report, dated 23 March 2009, submitted to the DEC on 24 November 2009.
781:M4.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation environmental compliance reports annually reporting on the previous twelve-month period, unless required by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation to report more frequently.	Submit annual compliance reports, covering the conditions of this audit program, unless required by the CEO report more frequently.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Annually, unless required by the CEO to report more frequently.	C	Compliance Assessment Reports submitted in the BHP Annual Environmental Report (AER).
781:M4.2	Compliance Reporting	The environmental compliance reports shall address each element of an audit program approved by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation and shall be prepared and submitted in a format acceptable to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	Address each element of the audit table.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Annually, unless required by the CEO to report more frequently.	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the audit program is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
781:M4.3	Compliance Reporting	The environmental compliance reports shall: 1. endorsed by signature of the proponent's CEO or a person, approved in writing by the CEO of DEC, delegated to sign on behalf of the proponent's CEO; 2. state whether the proponent has complied with each condition and procedure contained in this statement; 3. provide verifiable evidence of compliance with each condition and procedure contained in this statement; 4. state whether the proponent has complied with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by this statement; 5. provide verifiable evidence of conformance with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by this statement; 6. identify all non-compliances and non-conformances and describe the corrective and preventative actions taken in relation to each non-compliance or non-conformance; 7. review the effectiveness of all corrective and preventative actions taken; and 8. describe the state of implementation of the proposal.	Submit Compliance Assessment Reports in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-3.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Annually, unless required by the CEO to report more frequently.	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the audit program is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
781:M4.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall make the environmental compliance reports required by condition 4-1 publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO of DEC.	Reports made publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO of DEC.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Annually, unless required by the	C	Compliance Assessment Reports are publicly available upon request

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
						CEO to report more frequently.		
781:M5.1	Performance Review	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation a Performance Review Report at the conclusion of the first, second, fourth and sixth years after the start of dredging and then, at such intervals as the CEO of DEC may regard as reasonable, which addresses: 1. the major environmental risks and impacts; the performance objectives, standards and criteria related to these; the success of risk reduction/impact mitigation measures and results of monitoring related to management of the major risks and impacts; 2. the level of progress in the achievement of sound environmental performance, including industry benchmarking, and the use of best available technology where practicable; and 3. significant improvements gained in environmental management which could be applied to this and other similar projects.	Submit a Performance Review Report in accordance with the requirements of condition 5-1.	Performance Review Report at the conclusion of the first, second, fourth and sixth years after the start of dredging and then, at such intervals as the CEO of DEC may regard as reasonable.	Operation	At the conclusion of the first, second, fourth and sixth years after the start of dredging and then, at such intervals as the CEO of DEC may regard as reasonable.	CLD	Dredging commenced 29 March 2009. Performance Reviews submitted to the DEC: Year 1: February 2010 Year 2: February 2011 Year 4: July 2013 (as part of the Annual Environment Report) Year 6: Included in the 2016 BHP Annual Environmental Report (AER).
781:M6.1	Marine Water Quality	The proponent shall finalize the Dredging Management Plan (as drafted and included as Appendix C of the Environmental Referral Document) on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, prior to the commencement of dredging activities. The objectives of the plan are to: 1. maintain the structure and functions of the Port Hedland marine ecosystems; 2. ensure water quality is sufficient such that any seafood caught or grown in the area is of a quality safe for human consumption; 3. ensure water quality is safe for recreational activities; and 4. ensure no deterioration in local marine water quality occurs as a result of the use of hydrocarbons or from the generation of wastes (solid, hazardous and sewage) associated with the dredging activities.	Finalise the Dredging Management Plan on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, in accordance with the requirements of conditions 6-1 and 6-2.	Dredging Management Plan	Pre-construction	Prior to the commencement of dredging activities.	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1. A revised LUMP was submitted to DWER in August 2019 for DMMA B1 as part of a S45C application to change the final height of the land use, with further amendments to the plan submitted 19 November 2021. The application was approved on 25 January 2022.
781:M6.2	Marine Water Quality	The Plan referred to in condition 6-1 shall include details on: 1. baseline and post discharge water quality monitoring for the collection of physical water quality data via loggers incorporating the following parameters: turbidity; pH; dissolved oxygen; conductivity; and temperature, at two sites in Salmon Creek, two sites in Oyster Inlet, one site offshore from Oyster Inlet and three sites in and adjacent to Port Hedland harbour; 2. baseline and post discharge water quality monitoring for the collection of total suspended solids concentrations and turbidity measurements at the spoil disposal discharge point in Salmon Creek and the logged impact sites downstream; 3. baseline and post discharge water quality monitoring for the collection of dissolved metals and ammonia concentration data, collected at seven sites in Salmon Creek and seven sites in Oyster Inlet over a number of tidal cycles and seasons; 4. water quality trigger levels based on the appropriate level of ecological protection (shown in Figure 2 of Schedule 1), which for physical water quality parameters are either: the 20th or 80th percentiles of the baseline data (less than 60% saturation of dissolved oxygen), or the 99% species protection trigger levels for toxicants from the National Water Quality Management Strategy No.4: Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality and Water Quality (Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council, and Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand, 2000) for areas with a high level of ecological protection;, or either the 5th or 95th percentiles of the baseline data (less than 60% saturation of dissolved oxygen), or the 90% species protection trigger levels for toxicants in areas with a moderate level of ecological protection; 5. the statistical methodology that will be used to assess water quality monitoring data against water quality trigger levels, based on the recommended approaches in the National Water Quality Management Strategy No. 4: Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality and	Finalise the Dredging Management Plan on advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, in accordance with the requirements of conditions 6-1 and 6-2.	Dredging Management Plan	Pre-construction	Prior to the commencement of dredging activities	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1. A revised LUMP was submitted to DWER in August 2019 for DMMA B1 as part of a S45C application to change the final height of the land use, with further amendments to the plan submitted 19 November 2021. The application was approved on 25 January 2022.

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		Water Quality (Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council, and Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand, 2000); 6. contingency management measures that will be implemented in the event that marine water quality does not meet described water quality triggers as a result of dredging activities and/or excess water discharge; and 7. the procedures for reporting the results of water quality monitoring, exceedance of any water quality trigger levels and effectiveness of the contingency management measures.						
781:M6.3	Marine Water Quality	The proponent shall implement the Dredging Management Plan required by condition 6-1 to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Implement the Dredging Management Plan in accordance with the requirements of conditions 6-1 and 6-2 and to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Dredging Management Plan and Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	During dredging activities	CLD	Compliance Assessment Reports submitted in the BHP Annual Environmental Report (AER).
781:M7.1	Acid Sulfate Soils	The proponent shall finalize the Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan (as drafted and included as Appendix D of the Environmental Referral Document) on advice of the EPA, prior to the commencement of dredging activities. The objectives of the plan are to: 1. minimize the risk to the environment resulting from Acid Sulphate Soils; and 2. maintain and protect water quality for existing environmental values and ecosystem functions.	As drafted and included as Appendix D of the Environmental Referral Document.	Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan	Pre-construction	Prior to the commencement of dredging activities.	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1.
781:M7.2	Acid Sulfate Soils	The Plan referred to in condition 7-1 shall provide detail on: 1. monitoring of excess water from the Dredged Material Management Areas (DMMA) that will be discharged through fixed discharge points at each of the DMMA to ensure it meets the action criteria outlined in Dewatering Effluent and Groundwater Monitoring Guidance for Acid Sulphate Soil Areas (Department of Environment and Conservation, 2006); 2. monitoring of excess water from the DMMAs for total titratable acidity, electrical conductivity and pH to ensure that water quality parameters are maintained at a pH greater than 6 and a total titratable acidity less than 40 milligrams per litre; 3. contingency management measures that will be implemented in the event that action criteria are exceeded; and 4. a monitoring program for the presence of iron monosulphides and total acidity within the DMMA on an annual basis for five years following completion of the dredging. Should levels of iron monosulphides and total acidity within the DMMA be detected that require further management, the proponent shall initiate a management response to neutralize this material.	The Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan shall provide details in accordance with the requirements of condition 7-2.	Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan	Pre-construction	Prior to the commencement of dredging activities.	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1. The results of laboratory analysis of DMMA A material sampled in November 2014 indicate that DMMA A poses little to no ASS risk.
781:M7.3	Acid Sulfate Soils	The proponent shall implement the Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan required by condition 7-1 to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Implement the Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan in accordance with the requirements of condition 7-1 and to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Overall	CLD	Compliance Assessment Reports submitted to the DEC/DER: February 2010, February 2011, January 2012, July 2013, July 2014 and September 2015 (AER) The monitoring program under this Management Plan is now complete (see M7.2) and the plan is now closed with no further management measures to be implemented.
781:M8.1	Rehabilitation	The proponent shall finalize the Land Use Management Plan (as drafted and included as Appendix F of the Environmental Referral Document) on advice of the EPA, prior to the commencement of dredging activities. The objectives of the plan are to: 1. minimize adverse effects on the environmental values of surrounding areas from processes such as dust generation, changes in surface water drainage, weed infestation and impacts on fauna; 2. ensure that each Dredged Material Management Area (DMMA) land surface is managed such that it is safe, stable and suitable for designated end land use; 3. maintain a landscaped view of the area; and	As drafted and included as Appendix F of the Environmental Referral Document.	Land Use Management Plan	Overall	Prior to the commencement of dredging activities.	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1 A revised LUMP was submitted to DWER in August 2019 for DMMA B1 as part of a S45C application to change the final height of the land

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		4. identify an environmentally sustainable final land use for the reclaimed material and management areas.						use. The application was approved on 25 January 2022.
781:M8.2	Rehabilitation	The proponent shall rehabilitate DMMA A, B1 and B2 if material is not utilized within five years following the completion of dredging.	Rehabilitation to the requirement of condition 8-1.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Five years following the completion of dredging.	C	Compliance Assessment Reports submitted in the BHP Annual Environmental Report (AER). A revised LUMP was submitted to DWER in August 2019 for DMMA B1 as part of a S45C application to change the final height of the land use, with further amendments to the plan submitted 19 November 2021. The application was approved on 25 January 2022.
781:M8.3	Rehabilitation	The proponent shall implement the Land Use Management Plan required by condition 8-1 to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Implement the Land Use Management Plan in accordance with the requirements of condition 8-1 and to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Overall	C	Vegetation / weed mapping completed by Pilbara Ecological in May 2026 concluded that the overall percentage weed cover for the rehabilitation site was determined to be 5.9% which is below the 10% criteria in the Land Use Management Plan (Rev2.8).
781:M9.1	Aboriginal Heritage	The proponent shall prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (Plan) and submit the Plan to the Registrar of Aboriginal Sites prior to the commencement of works.	Submit an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan to the Registrar of Aboriginal Sites.	Compliance Assessment Report Copy of plan and letter to Registrar of Aboriginal Sites.	Pre-construction	Prior to the commencement of works.	CLD	Letter received from the DEC, dated 6 February 2009, stating that the following plans are considered to be substantially complete: Dredging Management Plan; Acid Sulphate Soil Management Plan; Land Use Management Plan; Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan; Satisfying conditions 6-1, 6-2, 7-1, 7-2, 8-1, 9-1 A revised LUMP was submitted to DWER in August 2019 for DMMA B1 as part of a S45C application to change the final height of the land use, with further amendments to the plan submitted 19 November 2021. The application was approved on 25 January 2022.

3.8 Ministerial Statement 814

3.8.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 814 (Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations) for the FY2026 reporting period. Ministerial Statement 814 was approved on 24 November 2009. The Ministerial Statement project area provides approval to develop the Cundaline and Callawa iron ore deposits located near the Goldsworthy Operations. The Statement permits up to 5 Mtpa of ore to be mined and processed.

Operations at Cundaline and Callawa were suspended in May 2014. Routine inspections of infrastructure and key environmental risk areas have continued at the site while operations have been suspended. A program for the demolition of redundant infrastructure and investigation of contaminated sites commenced during FY2017 and continued throughout FY2026. BHP will continue to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Cundaline and Callawa mine areas in the context of its broader supply chain. In the interim, BHP will continue to progress its program of rehabilitating disturbed areas and decommissioning of redundant infrastructure.

The following information reports the proponent's progress against the conditions and commitments of Ministerial Statement 814 for the FY2026 reporting period.

3.8.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 814's current implementation status is operational. In February 2013, an amendment was made to the Ministerial Statement to increase the life of mine to 20 years and the total area of disturbance from 500 to 625 ha.

Consultation with the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER), Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration (DMPE) and Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) has occurred on a range of matters while operations have been suspended. There have been no applications submitted to formally amend the Ministerial Statement within the FY2026 reporting period.

3.8.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations
Statement Number	814
Proponent Name	BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 814 - Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations *audit table inserted below.*			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 814 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.8.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 814 and covers:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Table 3-23 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS814

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Pit Voids	54.68	54.68
Other Disturbance	196.23	196.23
Total	**250.91**	**250.91**

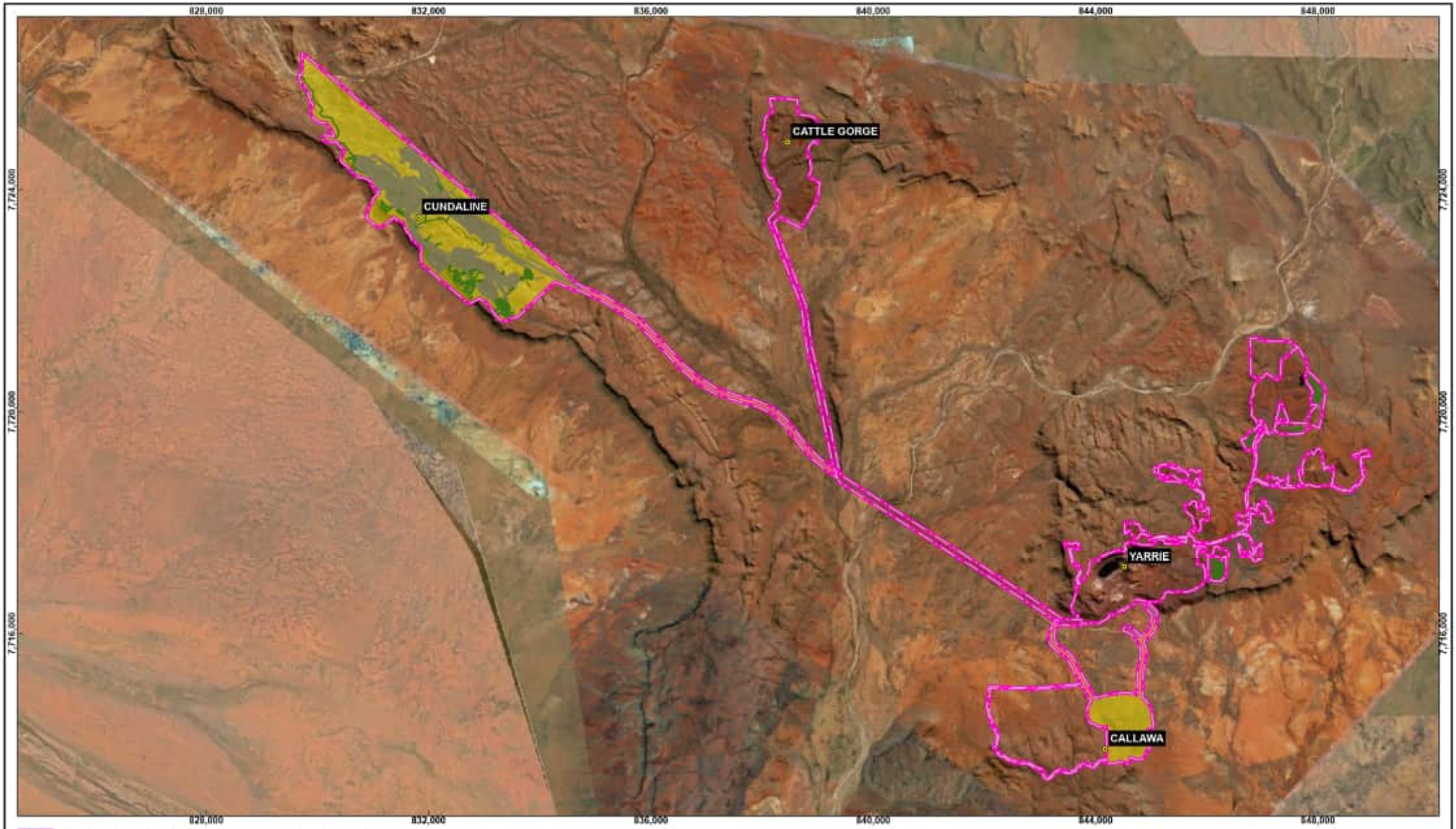
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	37.82	37.82
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**37.82**	**37.82**

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Table 3-24 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS814

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	54.68
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.06
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	1.01
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.23
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.34
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	99.05
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	53.54
22	Laydown or hardstand area	5.22
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.97
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.00
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	28.31
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	9.85
30	Topsoil stockpile	5.50
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	27.97
32	Not Applicable	0.00

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814 - Cundaline

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LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

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AUDIT TABLE

Statement Compliance Section
PROJECT: Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations
Statement 814

Version contNote:

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- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH= Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER)..
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for OEPA use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
814:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall implement the proposal as assessed by the Environmental Protection Authority and described in schedule 1 of this statement subject to the conditions and procedures of this statement	Implement the proposal as assessed by the Environmental Protection Authority and described in schedule 1 of this statement.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	For life of the Proposal	C	
814:M2.1	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for Environment under sections 38(6) or 38(7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* is responsible for the implementation of the proposal	Maintain responsibility for the implementation of the proposal	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	For life of the Proposal	C	Compliant. BHP maintains responsibility for the implementation of the proposal.
814:M2.2	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Department of Environment and Conservation of any change of the name and address of the proponent for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 30 days of such change.	Letter detailing any change of the name and address of the proponent.	Letter detailing changes to proposal	Overall	Within 30 days of such change.	C	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
814:M3.1	Time Limit of Authorisation	The authorisation to implement the proposal provided for in this statement shall lapse and be void within five years after the date of this statement if the proposal to which this statement relates is not substantially commenced.	Commence proposal within five years after the date of this statement.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within five years after the date of this statement	CLD	This condition has been met. Development of Cundaline mining area commenced in March 2010.
814:M3.2	Time Limit of Authorisation	The proponent shall provide the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation with written evidence which demonstrates that the proposal has substantially commenced on or before the expiration of five years from the date of this statement.	Letter to CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation demonstrates that the proposal has substantially commenced on or before the expiration of five years from the date of this statement.	Letter to CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation	Overall	Within five years after the date of this statement	CLD	This condition has been met. Development of Cundaline mining area commenced in March 2010.
814:M4.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a compliance assessment plan to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation	Compliance Assessment Plan	Compliance Assessment Plan	Overall	For life of the Proposal	CLD	This condition has been met. The Compliance Assessment Plan was approved in 2012.
814:M4.2	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation, the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 at least 6 months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6. The compliance assessment plan shall indicate: 1. the frequency of compliance reporting; 2. the approach and timing of compliance assessments; 3. the retention of compliance assessments; 4. reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; 5. the table of contents of compliance reports; and 6. public availability of compliance reports.	Compliance Assessment Plan	Compliance Assessment Plan	Design	At least 6 months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6	CLD	This condition has been met. The Compliance Assessment Plan was approved in 2012.
814:M4.3	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Compliance Assessment Plan	Compliance Assessment Plan	Overall	For life of the Proposal	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
814:M4.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	BHP will retain reports of all compliance assessments and make these available upon request.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	For life of the Proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
814:M4.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation of any potential non-compliance within two business days of that non-compliance being known	Notifications to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation within 2 business days of any non-compliance being known.	Letters to CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation	Overall	Within two business days of that non-compliance being known	C	No non-compliances have occurred in this reporting period.
814:M4.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit a compliance assessment report annually from the date of issue of this Implementation Statement addressing the previous twelve month period or other period as agreed by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation. The compliance assessment report shall: 1. be endorsed by the proponent's Managing Director or a person, approved in writing by the Department of Environment and Conservation, delegated to sign on the Managing Director's behalf; 2. include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; 3. identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; 4. be made publicly available in accordance with the approved compliance assessment plan; and 5. indicate any proposed changes to the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Compliance Assessment Report	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	From the date of issue of this Implementation Statement.	C	The information is contained within this statement and in the general section of the Annual Environment Report.
814:M5.1	Performance Review and Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation Performance Review Reports at the conclusion of the first, second, third and fifth years after the commencement of productive mining and then, at such intervals as the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation may regard as reasonable, which addresses: 1. the environmental risks and impacts; the performance objectives, standards and criteria related to these; the success of risk reduction/impact mitigation measures and results of monitoring related to management of the major risks and impacts; 2. the level of progress in the achievement of sound environmental performance, including industry benchmarking, and the use of best available technology where practicable; and 3. improvements gained in environmental management which could be applied to this and other similar projects.	Performance Review Reports	Performance Review Reports	Overall	At the conclusion of the first, second, third and fifth years after the commencement of productive mining.	CLD	The information required to meet this condition has been included in previous Annual Environment Reports.
814:M6.1	Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	The proponent shall ensure that rehabilitation of waste dumps and areas disturbed through the implementation of the proposal is to be planned for and occurs progressively throughout the life of the mining operation.	BHP Rehabilitation and Closure Plan to ensure rehabilitation of waste dumps and areas disturbed occurs progressively throughout the life of the mining operation.	Progressive Rehabilitation of waste dumps and areas disturbed.	Overall	Life of Proposal	C	Rehabilitation planning and closure planning will continue during the suspension period.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
814:M6.2	Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	The proponent shall ensure rehabilitation required under Condition 6-1 achieves the following outcomes within 5 years following the cessation of productive mining: 1. The waste dumps shall not cause pollution and shall be constructed so that their final shape, size, stability, and ability to support local native vegetation are comparable to similar nearby natural landforms. 2. Final pit voids shall be backfilled to at least five metres above the maximum measured pre-mining water table level (227 mAHD at the Callawa pits). 3. Areas to be rehabilitated under Condition 6-1 shall be rehabilitated with vegetation composed of native plant species of local provenance (as agreed by the CEO in consultation with Department of Environment and Conservation). 4. The percentage cover of living native vegetation and species diversity in areas to be rehabilitated under Condition 6-1 shall meet targets identified by the proponent in accordance with the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan referred to in condition 6-5, using the average values of suitable reference sites chosen in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation. 5. The percentage of area covered by weeds (including both declared weeds and environmental weeds) shall not exceed that identified in baseline monitoring undertaken prior to commencement of operations, or exceed that existent on comparable, nearby land which has not been disturbed during implementation of the proposal, whichever is less. 6. No new species of weeds (including both declared weeds and environmental weeds) shall be introduced into the area as a result of the implementation of the proposal.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Decommissioning	Within 5 years following the cessation of productive mining	NR	There has not been a permanent cessation of productive mining to trigger the requirements of 814:M6.2 and the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan.
814:M6.3	Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	The proponent shall continue rehabilitation activities for a minimum of 5 years and until such time as the requirements of condition 6-1 and 6-2 are met to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation on advice of the CEO of the Department of Mines and Petroleum.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Decommissioning	Until such time as the requirements of condition 6-1 and 6-2 are met to the satisfaction of the CEO	NR	Not currently applicable.
814:M6.4	Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	The proponent shall review, and as necessary in accordance with current best practice, revise the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan included at Appendix B of the Environmental Protection Statement at intervals not exceeding 2 years, to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation on advice of the CEO of the Department of Mines and Petroleum.	Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan review every two years.	Compliance Assessment Report.	Overall	Intervals not exceeding 2 years	C	BHP developed the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan in 2009. The current revision of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan was approved by the OPEA on 30 April 2014. The following revision of the plan was submitted to DWER on 31 July 2018, outside of the review period required by this condition. BHP received feedback from DWER on the 2018 plan on 22 June 2021. The feedback was addressed as part of the October 2021 resubmission as agreed with DWER. A revised Mine Closure Plan was submitted for review in August 2024 and was approved by DWER in December 2024.
814:M6.5	Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	The proponent shall implement the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan included at Appendix B of the BHP Billiton (2009) Cundaline and Callawa Mining Operations - Environmental Protection Statement, August 2009, Perth WA or the revision approved under Condition 6-4 to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation on advice of the CEO of the Department of Mines and Petroleum.	Implement the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan	Compliance Assessment Report.	Decommissioning	Until such time as the requirements of condition 6-1 and 6-2 are met to the satisfaction of the CEO	NR	There has not been a permanent cessation of productive mining so as to trigger the requirements of the Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan.

3.9 Ministerial Statement 818

3.9.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 818 - Chichester Rail Deviation (MS818) for the FY2026 reporting period.

BHP was granted approval to construct a new section of rail through the Chichester Ranges, known as the Chichester Rail Deviation, by the Minister for the Environment on 4 December 2009 under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (Ministerial Statement 818).

3.9.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 818 - Chichester Rail Deviation current implementation status is operational. Activities required by the statement during the FY2026 reporting period were limited to monitoring and reporting.

3.9.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Chichester Rail Deviation
Statement Number	818
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 818 - *Chichester Rail Deviation* audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box) ☐			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 818 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.9.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

Details of the compliance status of each condition and commitment are provided in the following sections covering:

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Table 3-26 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS818

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	253.26	253.26
Total	**253.26**	**253.26**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0	0
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	127.08	127.08
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**127.08**	**127.08**

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[1] Disturbance includes infrastructure (buildings, access roads and railway) and topsoil stockpiles.

Table 3-27 Land use by MRF category for the FY2025 reporting period – MS818

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0.00
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.07
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	253.26
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0.00
22	Laydown or hardstand area	0.00
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.00
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.00
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0.00
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	127.08
30	Topsoil stockpile	0.00
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0.00
32	Not Applicable	0.00

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818:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall implement the proposal as assessed by the Environmental Protection Authority and described in schedule 1 of this statement subject to the conditions and procedures of this statement.	Project implemented in accordance with these criteria.	BHP Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	For the life of proposal.	C	Noted - no changes.
818:M2.1	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for Environment under sections 38(6) or 38(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 is responsible for the implementation of the proposal.	Maintain responsibility for the implementation of the proposal.	BHP Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	For the life of proposal.	C	Compliant. BHP maintains responsibility for the implementation of the proposal.
818:M2.2	Proponent Nomination and Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Department of Environment and Conservation of any change of the name and address of the proponent for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 30 days of such change.	Letter notifying the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Environment of any change in proponent details.	Copy of written notification of the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 30 days of such change.	C	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
818:M3.1	Time Limit of Authorisation	The authorisation to implement the proposal provided for in this statement shall lapse and be void within five years after the date of this statement if the proposal to which this statement relates is not substantially commenced.	Implementation of the proposal within five years of the date of the Statement.	Compliance Assessment Report (CAR)	Construction	Within five years of the date of this statement.	CLD	The Proposal substantially commenced in 2010. The first Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) - submitted December 2010.
818:M3.2	Time Limit of Authorisation	The proponent shall provide the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation with written evidence, which demonstrates that the proposal has substantially commenced on or before the expiration of five years from the date of this statement.	Notify the CEO that the proposal has substantially commenced.	Compliance Assessment Report (CAR)	Construction	Within five years after the date of this statement.	CLD	The Proposal substantially commenced in 2010. The first Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) - submitted December 2010.
818:M4.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a compliance assessment plan to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	Prepare and maintain a compliance assessment plan for the Chichester Deviation to the satisfaction of the CEO of the DEC	Compliance Assessment Plan	Pre-construction	Six months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6.	C	The Compliance Assessment Plan was approved by the OEPA - 10 September 2010.
818:M4.2	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation, the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 at least 6 months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6. The compliance assessment plan shall indicate: 1. the frequency of compliance reporting; 2. the approach and timing of compliance assessments; 3. the retention of compliance assessments; 4. reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; 5. the table of contents of compliance reports; and 6. public availability of compliance reports.	Submit Compliance Assessment Plan in accordance with requirements of condition 4-2.	Compliance Assessment Plan	Pre-construction	Six months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6.	CLD	The Compliance Assessment Plan was approved by the OEPA - 10 September 2010. The first CAR submitted - December 2010. On-going compliance reporting undertaken through AER submission.
818:M4.3	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Address each element of the audit table, in accordance with the compliance assessment plan for the Chichester Deviation.	Compliance Assessment Report for the Chichester Deviation December 2010. Subsequent reporting will be via the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER).	Overall	As detailed in the compliance assessment plan condition 4-2.	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.

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818:M4.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	Retain compliance assessment reports in accordance with the compliance assessment plan.	Copies of assessment reports provided on request.	Overall	For the life of proposal.	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
818:M4.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation of any potential non-compliance within two business days of that non-compliance being known.	BHP will report to the CEO for the Office of Environmental Protection Authority potential non-compliances within 2 business days of a non-compliance being identified. A report including any corrective actions identified will be provided to the CEO via email once an investigation into the non-compliance has been completed.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of non-compliance within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER).	Overall	Within 2 days of awareness of any potential non-compliance.	C	No non-compliances were identified in the FY26 reporting period.
818:M4.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit a compliance assessment report annually from the date of issue of this Implementation Statement addressing the previous twelve month period or other period as agreed by the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation. The compliance assessment report shall: 1. be endorsed by the proponent's Managing Director or a person, approved in writing by the DEC, delegated to sign on the Managing Director's behalf; 2. include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; 3. identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; 4. be made publicly available in accordance with the approved compliance assessment plan; and 5. indicate any proposed changes to the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Compliance Assessment Report developed and submitted to CEO in accordance with approved Compliance Assessment Plan.	BHP Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	Annually from the date of issue of the Implementation Statement.	C	The first CAR submitted - 1 December 2010. On-going compliance reporting undertaken through AER submission.
818:M5.1	Performance Review and Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation Performance Review Reports at the conclusion of the first, second, third and fifth years after the commencement of construction activities and then, at such intervals as the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation may regard as reasonable. Address: 1. the major environmental risks and impacts; the performance objectives, standards and criteria related to these; the success of risk reduction/impact mitigation measures and results of monitoring related to management of the major risks and impacts; 2. the level of progress in the achievement of sound environmental performance, including industry benchmarking, and the use of best available technology where practicable; and 3. significant improvements gained in environmental management which could be applied to this and other similar projects.	Submit Performance Review Reports as per requirements of condition 5.1.	Included within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	For the life of proposal.	CLD	Performance Review Reports were submitted at the conclusion of the first and fifth years after the commencement of construction activities. However, the reports were not submitted on the second and third years (this was reported in FY2023). Ongoing reporting is undertaken through AER submission.
818:M6.1	Mulga Monitoring Report	The proponent shall prepare an initial report to the Environmental Protection Authority within one year of completion of construction and further reports after 3 and 5 years that: 1. Provide the results from mulga monitoring to determine the success or otherwise of the proposed rail design and associated engineering solutions to minimise impacts on	As per the letter sent to the OEPA, dated 31 December 2013, Mulga Monitoring will be conducted as per the recommendation in the Chichester Deviation Mulga (Acacia	Included within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	At minimum a 5, 10 and 15 year monitoring program will be conducted.	CLD	A baseline Mulga survey was undertaken in June 2010. Further surveys were conducted in August 2011, August 2012 and August 2016. As reported in the FY2017 AER, the results from the August 2016 monitoring indicate that whilst the overall number of Mulga per

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PROJECT: Chichester Rail Deviation Shire of Ashburton
Statement 818

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
		mulga, which are able to be used to inform future rail and other infrastructure projects.	aneura) Monitoring 2012 Technical Report.					transect have changed slightly between the current and the previous monitoring events, these changes are attributed to recent fire events, cattle trampling and drought stress likely due to low rainfall. The field observations and the Mulga age classification data indicate that the Mulga are healthy and appear to show no signs of being impacted by the railway infrastructure. On 19 December 2017, BHP delivered notification with supporting documentation relating to the successful completion of this Requirement to DWER.
818:M7.1	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall undertake progressive rehabilitation of areas not required for permanent infrastructure to achieve the following outcomes: 1. Areas disturbed through implementation of the proposal shall be progressively rehabilitated with vegetation composed of native plant species of local provenance (in consultation with Department of Environment and Conservation) with rehabilitation commencing within 12 months of the commencement of works. 2. The percentage cover of living native vegetation in all rehabilitation areas shall be comparable with that of similar nearby areas of land. 3. No new species of weeds (including both declared weeds and environmental weeds) shall be introduced into the area as a result of the implementation of the proposal. 4. The abundance of weeds (including both declared weeds and environmental weeds) shall be no greater than the abundance of weeds in comparable nearby areas of land which have not been disturbed during implementation of the proposal.	Rehabilitation and monitoring to be undertaken in accordance with the Chichester Deviation Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan.	Included within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER)	Overall	Within 12 months of the commencement of works for rehabilitation. Monitoring until such time as the requirements of condition 7-1 are met.	C	BHP has met the requirements of Condition 7-1.1. Progressive rehabilitation was undertaken throughout the construction phase and is now complete. Should ongoing monitoring indicate that BHP is not on track to achieve the rehabilitation outcomes in Condition 7-1, BHP will undertake the appropriate maintenance work in line with BHPs Rehabilitation Standard. Annual weed management was completed during March and June of FY2026. The results showed no new weed species being introduced for the reporting period.
818:M7.2	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall continue rehabilitation activities as necessary until such time as the requirements of condition 7-1 are met, and are demonstrated by inspections and reports to be met, for a minimum of 5 years to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	Rehabilitation to be undertaken in accordance with the Chichester Deviation Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan.	Included within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER).	Overall	Until such time as the requirements of condition 7-1 are met.	C	Should ongoing monitoring indicate that BHP is not on track to achieve the rehabilitation outcomes in Condition 7-1, BHP will undertake the appropriate maintenance work in line with BHPs Rehabilitation Standard. Further monitoring will be scheduled as required.
818:M7.3	Rehabilitation and Closure	The Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan shall be independently peer reviewed for its applicability to this proposal, to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	The Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan will be independently peer reviewed for applicability to this proposal.	Written advice from Peer reviewer and approval of peer review by DEC and DSD.	Construction	Prior to submission of the Chichester Deviation Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan.	CLD	Letter to Office of the EPA (dated 13 July 2010) advising of completion of peer review undertaken by Onshore Environmental.
818:M7.4	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall review and revise the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan to incorporate the findings of the peer review required in condition 7-3, prior to commencement of progressive rehabilitation.	Review and revise the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan to incorporate the findings of the peer review.	Final advice from peer reviewer.	Construction	Prior to commencement of progressive rehabilitation.	CLD	Revision of the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan (June 2010) incorporated peer review recommendations.
818:M7.5	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall review, and as necessary in accordance with current best practice, revise the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan at intervals not exceeding 2 years, to the satisfaction of the CEO of the Department of Environment and Conservation.	Review and as necessary in accordance with current best practice, revise the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan at intervals not exceeding 2 years.	Copy of submission of reviewed Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan within the Annual Environmental Report (BHP AER).	Overall	At intervals not exceeding 2 years.	C	The next review of the Progressive Rehabilitation Management Plan is due December 2026.

3.10 Ministerial Statement 890

As per previous correspondence sent to DWER in May 2020, BHP did not progress the outer harbour project authorised under Ministerial Statement 890 (MS890). On this basis, BHP considers that the reporting requirements under condition 3.1 of MS890 are no longer required and therefore a Compliance Assessment Report has not been included in the FY2026 AER.

3.11 Ministerial Statement 963

3.11.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 963 - Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Water Table for the FY2026 reporting period.

The Orebody 29/30/35 mining operations (OB29/30/35) are located approximately two kilometres south of BHPs Mt Whaleback mining operations. Authority to mine Orebody 29/30/35 was originally approved under the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*. The proposed below water table mining operations at OB29/30/35 was referred to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). Ministerial Statement 963 - Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Water Table was granted to BHP on 17 March 2014.

3.11.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 963 – Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Watertable - Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Water Table status is operational.

On the 3 December 2024, the OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was submitted to the EPA for review, with the proposal to expand existing iron ore mining operations at Orebody 29/30/35. MS1266 was approved on the 4 February 2026, and thus MS 963 was superseded at the time of approval.

Dewatering activity continued in OB35 in support of mining activity below water table. Dewatering activity at OB29 was suspended in FY2022 and remained suspended between the FY2023 – FY2025 reporting periods. OB29 began dewatering again in FY2026. 5.69 GL was dewatered from all OB29/30/35 pits from 1 July 2025 – 3 February 2026 (before this Ministerial Statement became superseded by MS 1266).

3.11.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Watertable
Statement Number	963
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008700981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 3 February 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 963 Orebody 29/30/35 Mining Below Watertable audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 963 identified during the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.11.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section details the compliance status for each condition and/or management plans of Ministerial Statement 963, as shown in the Audit Table below.

Mine Closure Plan

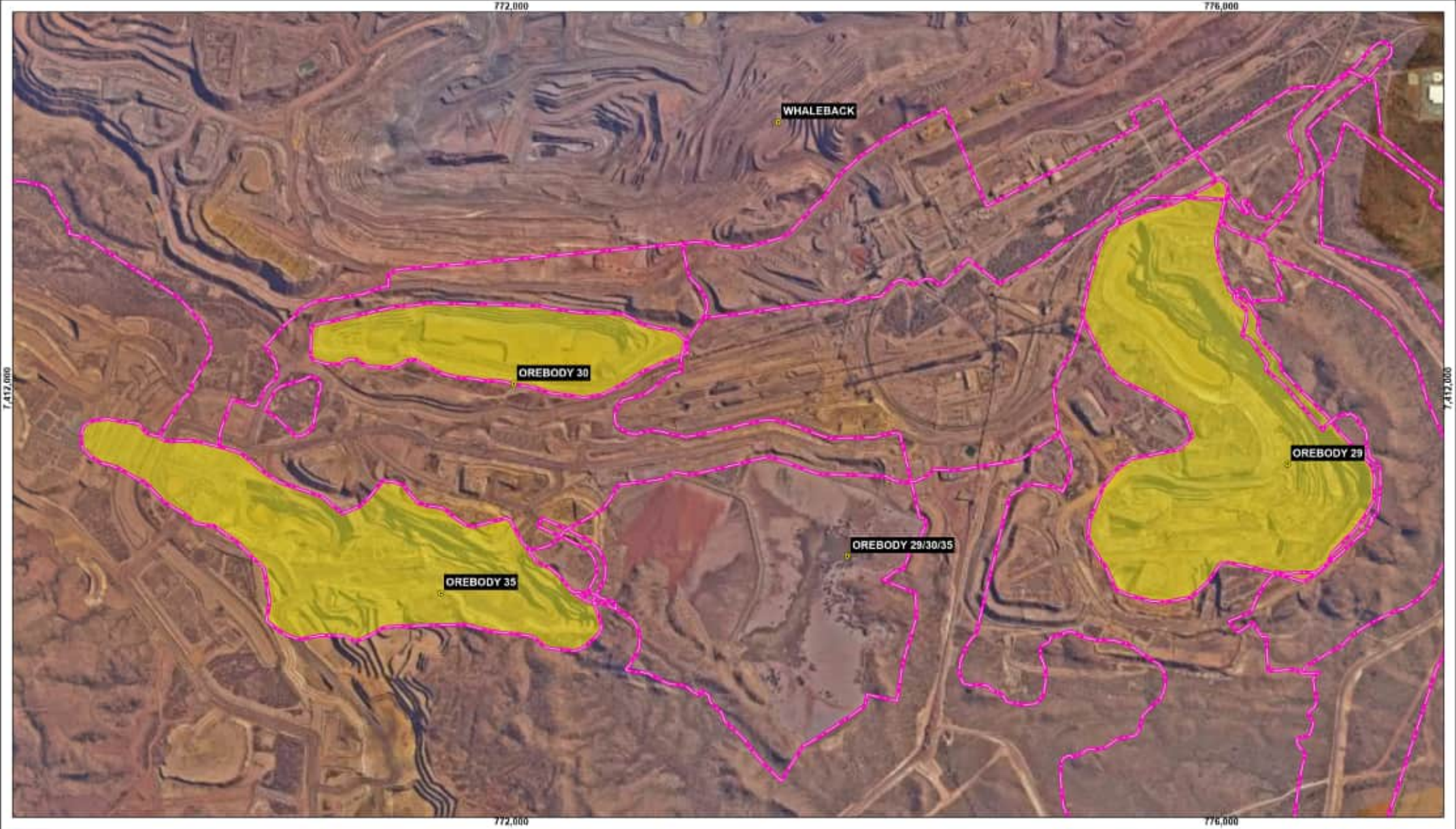
Please refer to Section 7 of the FY2026 AER for details of rehabilitation and closure.

The OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments from BHP and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.

Ministerial Statement 963 Authorised extent

Table 3-29 Ministerial Statement 963 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Dewatering	Groundwater abstraction up to 8 GL/a	5.69 GL dewatered from all OB29/30/35 pits from 1 July 2025 – 3 February 2026 (before this Ministerial Statement became superseded by MS 1266).
Dewater disposal	Discharge into Ophthalmia Dam up to 8 GL/a	1.89 GL of surplus dewater discharged into Ophthalmia Dam from 1 July 2025 – 3 February 2026 (before this Ministerial Statement became superseded by MS 1266).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NO:

963 - Whaleback

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:29,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS	FIGURE:	1
DATE:	19/06/2026	REGISTER:	ESG	NO:	A1455/004A

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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
963:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	When implementing the proposal, the proponent shall not exceed the authorised extent of the proposal as defined in Column 3 of Table 2 in Schedule 1, unless amendments to the proposal and the authorised extent of the proposal has been approved under the EP Act.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Schedule 1.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Groundwater abstraction was 5.69 GL and discharge into Ophthalmia Dam was 1.89 GL, which is below the limits of MS 963 from 1 July 2025 – 3 February 2026 (noting MS 963 is the applicable statement for this period, as MS 1266 was not approved until 4 February 2026).
963:M2.1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 28 days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any change in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification of the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	NR	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
963:M3.1	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall not commence implementation of the proposal after the expiration of five (5) years from the date of this Statement, and any commencement, within this five (5) year period, must be substantial.	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within five years of the date of the Statement	C	Mining of ore below water table commenced in Orebody 29 in December 2016.
963:M3.2	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	Any commencement of implementation of the proposal, within five (5) years from the date of this Statement, must be demonstrated as substantial by providing the CEO with written evidence, on or before the expiration of five (5) years from the date of this Statement.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Schedule 1.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Within five years of the date of the Statement	C	Mining of ore below water table commenced in Orebody 29 in December 2016.
963:M4.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a compliance assessment plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare a compliance assessment plan.	Compliance assessment plan	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Plan (CAP) was submitted on 16 October 2014.
963:M4.2	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 at least six months prior to the first compliance assessment report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation, whichever is sooner. The compliance assessment plan shall indicate: 1. the frequency of compliance reporting; 2. the approach and timing of compliance assessments; 3. the retention of compliance assessments; 4. the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; 5. the table of contents of compliance assessment reports; and 6. public availability of compliance assessment reports.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Compliance Assessment Plan	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	CAP was submitted on 16 October 2014.
963:M4.3	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Complete the assessment of compliance.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
963:M4.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	Compliance assessment reports will be retained in electronic format in an internal database.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
963:M4.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven (7) days of that potential non-compliance being known.	Submit statement of non-compliance with relevant details.	Statement of non-compliance	Overall	Within seven days of potential non-compliance being known.	C	No potential non-compliances were observed within the reporting period during the period of FY2026 that MS 963 was in effect.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
963:M4.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO the first compliance assessment report fifteen (15) months from the date of issue of this Statement addressing the twelve (12) month period from the date of issue of this Statement and then annually from the date of submission of the first compliance assessment report. The compliance assessment report shall: 1. be endorsed by the proponent's Managing Director or a person delegated to sign on the Managing Director's behalf; 2. include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; 3. identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; 4. be made publicly available in accordance with the approved compliance assessment plan; and 5. indicate any proposed changes to the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.	Submit compliance assessment report.	Compliance assessment report	Overall	Annually	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
963:M5.1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO of the issue of this statement and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps) relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.	Validated environment data in a manner approved by the CEO, is publicly available on request.	Submission of validated environment data.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Nil.
963:M5.2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 5-1 contains particulars of: 1.a secret formula or process; or 2. confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make this data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Request an exemption for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Request for an exemption to make the environment data public.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Nil.
963:M6.1	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall ensure that the mines are closed, decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner, consistent with agreed post-mining outcomes and land uses for a Priority 1 Public Drinking Water Source Area, and without unacceptable liability to the State of Western Australia.	Implement Mine Closure Plan.	Areas are rehabilitated and decommissioned to a standard accepted by the State.	Decommissioning	Life of proposal	NR	The area is currently operational.
963:M6.2	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall prepare a Mine Closure Plan for the proposal.	Prepare a Mine Closure Plan.	Mine Closure Plan	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The Orebody 29/30/35 Closure Plan was prepared and submitted to DWER (then OEPA) on 30 May 2017. A revised Plan, addressing comments from DWER, was submitted on 4 July 2018. The plan was approved on 14 November 2018. OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments from BHP and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
963:M6.3	Rehabilitation and Closure	The Mine Closure Plan required by condition 6-2 shall: 1. when implemented, manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the requirements of condition 6-1; 2. be prepared in accordance with the *Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, June 2011* (Department of Mines and Petroleum and Environmental Protection Authority) or its revisions; and 3. be to the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department of Mines and Petroleum and the Department of Water.	Implement Mine Closure Plan.	Mine Closure Plan complies with the requirements of M6-3.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Orebody 29/30/35 Closure Plan was prepared in consultation with DMP and DoW, and in accordance with the 2015 revision of the *Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, June 2011* (Department of Mines and Petroleum, and Environmental Protection Authority). OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments from BHP and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.
963:M6.4	Rehabilitation and Closure	Within 12 months of commissioning of the first below water table mine pit or as otherwise agreed by the CEO the proponent shall implement the approved Mine Closure Plan and continue implementation until otherwise agreed by the CEO.	Implement Mine Closure Plan.	Completed relevant milestones of the Mine Closure Plan.	Overall	Within 12 months of commissioning of the first below water table mine pit	CLD	Mining of ore below water table commenced in Orebody 29 in December 2016. Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan was prepared and submitted to DWER (then OEPA) on 30 May 2017. OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 5, June 2018, addressing comments from DWER, was submitted on 4 July 2018. The plan was approved on 14 November 2018. OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments from BHP and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.
963:M6.5	Rehabilitation and Closure	Revisions to the Mine Closure Plan may be approved by the CEO on the advice of the Department of Mines and Petroleum and the Department of Water.	Complete revisions of the Mine Closure Plan as required.	Revised Mine Closure Plans	Overall	Life of proposal	C	OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 5, June 2018, addressing comments from DWER, was submitted on 4 July 2018. The plan was approved on 14 November 2018. OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments from BHP and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.
963:M6.6	Rehabilitation and Closure	The proponent shall implement revisions of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 6-5.	Implement revisions of the Mine Closure Plan.	Completed relevant milestones of the Mine Closure Plan.	Decommissioning	Life of proposal	NR	Mining activity is occurring in a manner which is consistent with the objectives of the current approved Mine Closure Plan.

3.12 Ministerial Statement 1021

3.12.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1021 – Orebody 31 Iron Ore Project for the FY2026 reporting period.

The Orebody 31 mining operation is located 40 kilometres east of the Newman township. Conventional open-cut mining methods are employed to recover bedrock ore from selected deposits. Together with the adjacent Orebody 18 operation, Orebody 31 forms a component of BHPs integrated Jimblebar mining operation. The Orebody 31 mine ties into the Orebody 18 crushing plant. Processed ore is then transported via rail to the Newman Hub for further processing and blending, prior to being transported via rail to Port Hedland for shipping.

The mine is situated on crown land within Mineral Lease 244SA (ML244SA) granted pursuant to the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*.

3.12.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Orebody 31 Iron Ore Project is operational. Ministerial Statement 1021 (MS1021) was originally approved on 12 November 2015. On 19 December 2023, the Jimblebar Significant Amendment (MS1262) proposal was submitted to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment, to expand and amalgamate MS1021 with MS439, MS1012 and MS1126. MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025, superseding MS1021. This report covers the period that MS1021 was in effect from 1 July 2025 to 7 December 2025.

3.12.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Orebody 31 Iron Ore Project
Statement Number	1021
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 7 December 2025		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1021 - Orebody 31 Iron Ore Project audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances against Ministerial Statement 1021 identified during the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.12.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1021 and covers:

- *Acacia Corusca (formerly sp;* East Fortescue) flora species (Flora and Vegetation)
- Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)
- Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)
- Rehabilitation
- Decommissioning
- Ministerial Statement 1021 Authorised extent
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation
- MS Status Map
- MS Audit Table.

Acacia Corusca (Formerly *sp. East Fortescue*) flora species (Flora and Vegetation)

During the FY2026 reporting period, four *Acacia corusca* monitoring surveys were conducted (September 2025, December 2025, February 2026 and June 2026). The FY2026 annual monitoring report had not been received at the time of preparation of this report. Quarterly monitoring results indicated that overall population health remained stable, and no Biodiversity Management Plan trigger criteria were exceeded during the reporting period.

In October 2025, a natural bush-fire event, suspected to have started from a lightning event, occurred across Jimblebar mine lease.. A total of 18 *Acacia corusca* deaths were recorded during the FY2026 monitoring period, of which 17 were attributable to the bushfire event, whilst one death was not related. No recovery of fire-killed *Acacia corusca* individual had been observed by June 2026.

While a temporary decline in some health indicators due to the bushfire was reported during the December 2025 monitoring survey, substantial improvement was observed over the 2025/26 wet season and most health indicators remained stable or improved by June 2026.

Recruitment remained low throughout the FY2026 reporting period, with no seedlings recorded and only limited sapling occurrence. Overall, monitoring indicated that bushfire was the main influence on tree health condition during FY2026, rather than mining-related activities.

FY2025 monitoring reported a decline in tree health across three impact sites since baseline monitoring.

Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)

During the FY2026 reporting period, surplus water was discharged from Orebody 31 (FNJV0150) into a tributary of Jimblebar Creek triggering the OB31 Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) on eight occasions (in Q2, Q3 and Q4 of FY2026) due to a section of the pipeline being destroyed by fire, transfer pump power outages and due to calibration servicing of the discharge infrastructure, in accordance with licence conditions:

- Q1 (July, August and September 2025) – No discharge events.
- Q2 (October, November and December 2025) – three discharge events (10 to 16 October, 22 October to 4 November and 13 to 15 November).
- Q3 (January, February and March 2026) – one discharge event (10 to 11 January)
- Q4 (April, May and June 2026) – four discharge events (12 to 21 May, 3 to 4 June, 13 to 20 June and 26 June)

No water quality trigger or threshold criteria (Total Dissolved Solids and pH) were exceeded in the FY2026 monitoring period. All discharge event details from FNJV0150, including volume discharged and wetting front extent, were provided to the Jimblebar environment team.

For discharge events over 24 hours, an aerial survey was completed via drone, to monitor the wetting front of the discharge extent. For all discharge events during the Q2, Q3 and Q4, the wetting front did not exceed the 16 km downstream limit.

Two Riparian Vegetation monitoring events were conducted to assess the impact of surplus water discharge to riparian vegetation health within six months of discharge.

- **Event 1:** 11 to 15 December to assess the impact before discharge commenced.
- **Event 2:** 5 to 9 June to assess the impact after the discharge events from Q3.

The results from this monitoring concluded that tree health had generally declined across nearly all impact and reference sites. Negative trends are likely to be attributed to well below-average rainfall over the past 12 months and recent fires that burned large areas of vegetation along Jimblebar Creek between monitoring sites Add03 and M3. There were four new tree deaths recorded, two of which were at sites Add03 and M3 and were attributed to the impact of the recent fire in October 2025. The remaining two monitoring tree deaths were within sites M5 and Add04, these sites were not impacted by fire, and these deaths appear to be due to severe water stress impacts, with recorded rainfall over the previous 12 months (93.1 mm) being less than half of the long-term annual average (252.2 mm).

A vegetation condition score (median tree health score between 1 and 5) of less than 2 occurred across four potential impact sites (Add05, Add03, M4, and M3) during the post dry monitoring event, and these sites also showed a decline in health, in contrast to the reference sites (considering all monitoring trees). Therefore, the trigger criterion was exceeded in December

2025. It is noted that three of the sites exceeding the trigger criterion in 2025 were impacted by fire and that the declines at these sites were attributable to the fire and are not considered to be associated with operations. The decline and poor health of monitoring trees at potential impact site Add05 is likely due to water stress from climatic factors.

Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)

Two monitoring events were undertaken by Stantec Australia for the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) to satisfy the management targets of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP, Version 6.0) Schedule 1a:

- **Event 1:** 5 to 11 November 2025 to capture conditions at the end of the dry season.
- **Event 2:** 20 to 26 March 2026 to capture conditions at the end of the wet season.

Based on the summary information from the field survey available at the time of this report preparation, there are no known exceedances of management targets as described in the EPWRMP, BHP considers that the outcome

'minimises impacts to the Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community'

has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period. There have been no exceedances of trigger criteria for water quality (Total Dissolved Solids) and water quality (groundwater levels) identified in the Ethel Gorge Primary Habitat Monitoring Zone.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has received a draft version of the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program annual report (prepared by Stantec). A summary of the findings are as follows:

- In general, there were no detectable changes in the physico-chemical parameters of groundwater in relation to mining activities during the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program, based on standing water levels (SWLs) and groundwater quality. Groundwater levels remained stable across the monitoring, with minor fluctuations consistent historical variability. Physico-chemical parameters were generally consistent with historical data and did not indicate a deterioration in groundwater quality attributable to mining activities. While elevated dissolved copper and zinc concentrations were identified during the monitoring period, no corresponding ecological impacts were recorded and do not currently represent a risk to the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont TEC.
- Stygofauna abundance and species diversity during the FY2025 monitoring program were among the highest recorded since monitoring commenced. Total abundance was substantially higher than that observed during the FY2024 monitoring program and was driven by high abundances of copepods and other taxa present in the monitoring area. Diversity remained comparable, or greater than, monitoring results from previous years.
- The findings of the Program along with previous programs indicate that current groundwater management practices have been appropriate to prevent potential impacts to the Ethel Gorge stygofauna TEC from BHP WAIO operations. It is also considered that adequate saturation of the core habitat has been maintained, enabling the persistence of stygofauna.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has not received an Annual Report regarding the outcomes of the FY2026 stygofauna monitoring program. It is not anticipated that any significant impacts to the Ethel Gorge TEC will be highlighted through the report.

Orebody 31 Mine Closure Plan

Groundwater – Groundwater monitoring results are provided in the Annual Aquifer Review (AAR) and Triennial Aquifer Review (TAR).

Rehabilitation – Rehabilitation of Geoscience pads and tracks completed.

Weed monitoring – Details of machinery inspections and cleaning are documented via the BHP Vehicle/Equipment Hygiene Certificates. These are completed prior to any ground engaging equipment entering a BHP operational or exploration area.

Ministerial Statement 1021 Authorised extent

Table 3-31 Ministerial Statement 1021 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Mine pits, plant and mine infrastructure	Clearing of no more than 2,500 ha of native vegetation within a Mine Development Envelope of 4,075 ha.	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 is 744.27 ha
Surplus dewater management	Dewater discharge to extend no further than 16 kilometres from the discharge point and remain in the main drainage channel of Jimblebar Creek under natural no-flow conditions.	There were eight instances of surplus water discharge from Orebody 31 to Jimblebar Creek during the FY2026 reporting period, which did not extend further than 16 kilometres from the discharge point.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-32 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Orebody 31 project until it was superseded on 8 December 2025.

Table 3-33 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category until it was superseded on 8 December 2025.

Table 3-32 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1021

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Mine pits, plant and mine infrastructure	703.52	744.27
Total	**703.52**	**744.27**

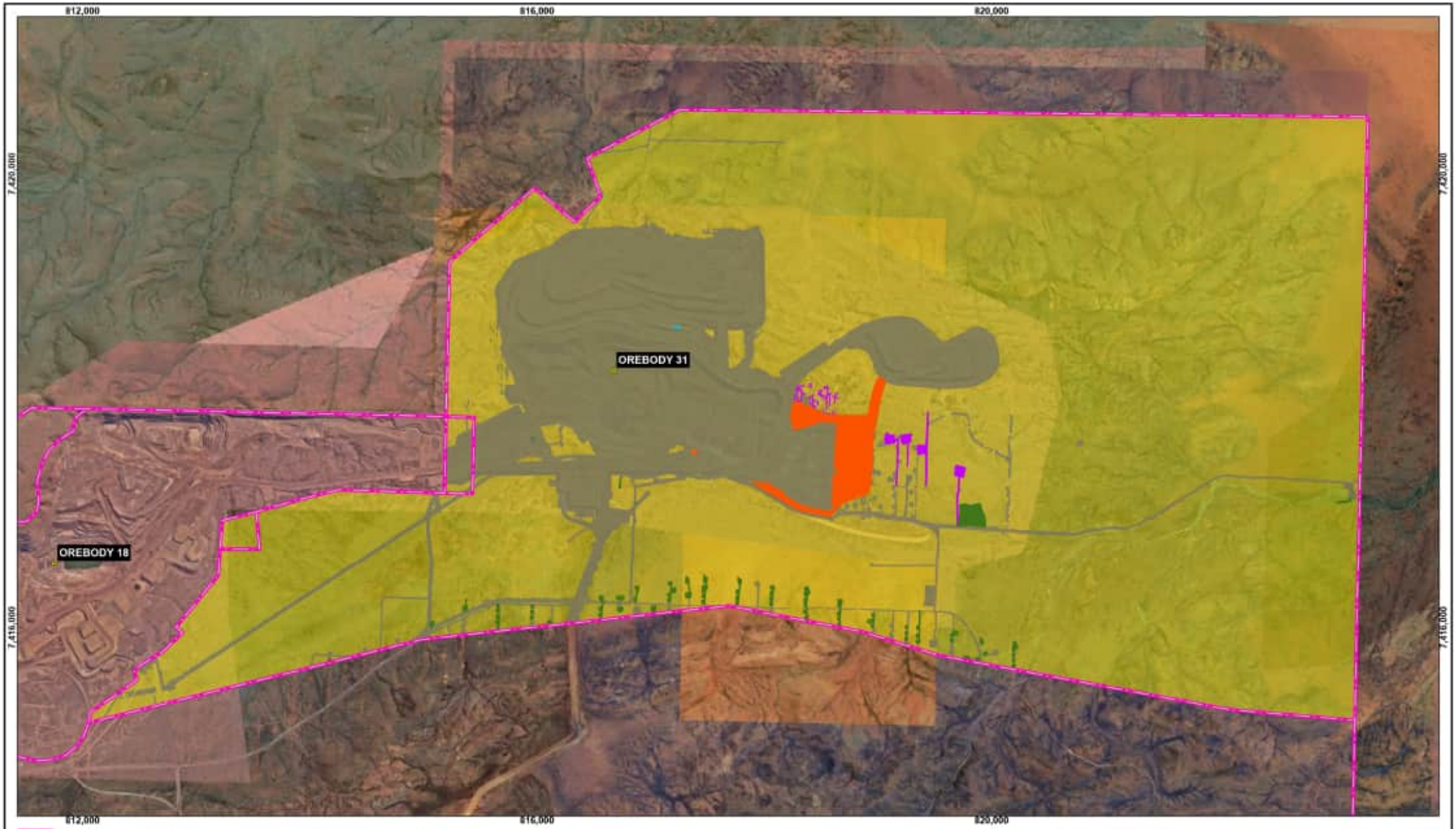
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	4.10	4.10
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	7.32	7.32
Total	**11.42**	**11.42**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 3-33 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1021

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	6.34
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	202.76
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	263.50
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	10.73
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.00
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	149.11
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	8.80
22	Laydown or hardstand area	0.00
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	5.90
25	Borefield	0.29
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	16.90
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	29.16
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	4.10
30	Topsoil stockpile	50.79
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	7.32
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DMIRS= Department of Mines, Industry and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1021:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	When implementing the proposal, the proponent shall not exceed the authorised extent of the proposal as defined in Table 2 in Schedule 1, unless amendments to the proposal and the authorised extent of the proposal have been approved under the EP Act.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained within BHP Iron Ore's (BHP's) Annual Environmental Report (AER).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1. Refer to section 3.15.4 of the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) for further information.
1021:M2.1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State	Notify the CEO of any change in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	C	The current proponent remains BHP Iron Ore.
1021:M3.1	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proponent shall not commence implementation of the proposal after five (5) years from the date on this Statement, and any commencement, prior to this date, must be substantial	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Prior to 12 November 2020	CLD	Ministerial Statement 1021 (MS1021) was approved by the Minister for Environment; Heritage on 12 November 2015. A letter was issued 10 December 2019 addressed to the CEO, DWER. Stating that that the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine had 'Substantially Commenced' when first ore was extracted during May 2016.
1021:M3.2	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	Any commencement of implementation of the proposal, on or before five (5) years from the date of this Statement, must be demonstrated as substantial by providing the CEO with written evidence, on or before the expiration of five (5) years from the date of this Statement	Written evidence of the substantial implementation of the proposal.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Prior to 12 November 2020	CLD	MS1021 was approved by the Minister for Environment; Heritage on 12 November 2015. A letter was issued 10 December 2019 addressed to the CEO, DWER stating that that the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine had 'Substantially Commenced' when first ore was extracted during May 2016.
1021:M4.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare, submit and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation, whichever is sooner.	Prepare a compliance assessment plan.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 1 May 2016	CLD	The Compliance Assessment Plan (CAP) Version 1 was submitted on 29 March 2016, which was regarded as 6 months prior to the submission of the first Compliance Assessment Report due on 1 October 2016, in accordance with condition 4.6.
1021:M4.2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports	Submit a Compliance Assessment Plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 1 May 2016	C	The CAP Version 1 was submitted on 29 March 2016. Notice in writing from a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of Condition 4-2 was received on 24 November 2017.

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								The plan was revised at the request of DWER, and Version 2.0 was submitted in April 2018. The plan was endorsed on 30 July 2020.
1021:M4.3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2 the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1	Complete the assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the CAP (Version 2.0) is included in this CAR.
1021:M4.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO	Compliance assessment reports will be retained in electronic format in an internal document management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1021:M4.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven (7) days of a potential non-compliance being known	Written notification to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal Within seven days of potential non-compliance being known.	C	There were no non-compliances for this reporting period.
1021:M4.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO the first Compliance Assessment Report on 1 October following the date of issue of this Statement and then subsequent Compliance Assessment Reports on 1 October thereafter or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO. The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's Chief Executive Officer or a person delegated to sign on the Chief Executive Officer's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Submit compliance assessment report.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	The CAR, included in BHP's FY2026 Annual Environmental Report (AER), fulfils this requirement.
1021:M5.1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO of the issue of this Statement and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)) relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement	Subject to condition 5-2, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this Revised Proposal and implementation of this Statement will be publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal Subject to condition 5-2, relevant data to be provided on request.	NR	Information has not been requested during the reporting period.
1021:M5.2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 5-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available	Written request to the CEO for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO to not make these data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Information has not been requested during the reporting period.
1021:M6.1	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall ensure that the implementation of the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine proposal does not affect the viability of *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue (now *Acacia corusca*) at the population level, through the implementation of condition 6-2 to 6-15.	Refer to below conditions 6-2 to 6-15	Refer to below conditions 6-2 to 6-15	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The FY2026 annual monitoring report has been received and the outcomes of the monitoring program are provided in the CAR.

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1021:M6.2	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall ensure that there is no disturbance within the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue (*Acacia corusca*) the 50 m buffer as defined in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2.	Implement internal disturbance approval process	Compliance Assessment Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	There has been no disturbance within the 50 m management buffer for *Acacia corusca* as defined in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2.
1021:M6.3	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	Prior to ground disturbance the proponent shall prepare and submit an *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan on advice of Department of Parks and Wildlife to the satisfaction of the CEO. The Acacia sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan shall define the methodology and timing for a Regional Survey to accurately detect and document the distribution and population size of the species.	Prepare the *Acacia sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan*	Final *Acacia sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan* (Onshore, 2015a)	Construction	Prior to ground disturbance	CLD	The *Acacia corsusa.* East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan was submitted to the OEPA on 8 December 2015.
1021:M6.4	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	Within six months of receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 6-3, the proponent shall undertake the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey in accordance with the requirements of the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan	Carry out the *Targeted Flora Survey Acacia sp. East Fortescue* (Onshore, 2015b)	Final *Targeted Flora Survey Acacia sp. East Fortescue* (Onshore, 2015b).	Overall	Within 6 months of receiving CEO approval of Survey Plan	CLD	The *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey was conducted between March 2015 to August 2015 and in accordance the requirements of the *Acacia sp.* East Fortescue Regional Survey Plan.
1021:M6.5	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	Within three months of completion of the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey the proponent shall report to the CEO and the Department of Parks and Wildlife the results of the Acacia sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey	*Targeted Flora Survey Acacia sp. East Fortescue* (Onshore, 2015b)	Final *Targeted Flora Survey Acacia sp. East Fortescue* (Onshore, 2015b).	Overall	Within three months of completion of the Acacia sp. East Fortescue Regional Survey	CLD	The results of the *Acacia sp.* East Fortescue Regional Survey, '*Targeted Flora Survey Acacia sp. East Fortescue* (Onshore, 2015)' were submitted to the OEPA on 31 December 2015.
1021:M6.6	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	In the event that advice from the Department of Parks and Wildlife following a review of the survey report of condition 6-5 indicates that the conservation status of *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue (now *Acacia corusca*) meets Priority 1 flora or higher, the proponent shall, within six months of ground disturbing activities related to the development of the Overburden Storage area, prepare a Plan, in consultation with the Department of Parks and Wildlife, and to the satisfaction of the CEO. The Plan shall for the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine: (1) specify management actions that will be implemented to ensure the management objective in condition 6-1 is achieved; (2) identify and spatially define the proposed monitoring sites and rationale for the location of these sites; to assess plant health; (3) detail the proposed frequency and timing of monitoring; (4) develop an appropriate monitoring methodology and measurable indicators of plant health; (5) specify appropriate plant health criteria that will trigger the implementation of management actions to ensure condition 6-1 is being met; and (6) specify trigger management actions to be implemented in the event that the trigger criteria specified by condition 6-6(5) are reached.	Condition Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp.* East Fortescue	Condition Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp.* East Fortescue developed	Overall	Within six months of ground disturbance activities related to development of the Overburden Storage Area	CLD	Ground disturbing activities related to the development of the Overburden Storage Area commenced in August 2016. The *Acacia sp.* East Fortescue Environmental Management Plan was submitted to the OEPA on 2 November 2016. Several versions have been submitted as part of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP), with the most recent version submitted to the DWER as Schedule 1 of the BEMP (version 5.0) on 18 May 2018 and was endorsed on 18 June 2018.
1021:M6.7	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 6-6, the proponent shall: (1) implement the requirements of the Plan specified by condition 6-6; and (2) continue to implement the requirements of the Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the objective in condition 6-1 is being and will continue to be met and therefore implementation of the Plan is no longer required.	Implement an endorsed Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue	Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue endorsed by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with Schedule 1 of the WAIO BEMP (version 5.0). Compliance against the FY2026 reporting period is captured in the CAR.
1021:M6.8	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	In the event that the monitoring specified in the Plan, indicates that the trigger criteria specified in the Plan have been exceeded, the proponent shall: (1) immediately implement the trigger management actions specified in the Plan and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria are not exceeded, or until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated	Implement the trigger management actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia*	Report to CEO of the DWER (or delegate)within 30 days of an event	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	During FY2026, no management triggers stipulated in the BEMP were exceeded for any of the quantitative plant health indicators.

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		that the outcome in condition 6-1 is being and will continue to be met and implementation of the trigger management actions is no longer required; (2) investigate to determine the likely cause of the trigger criteria being exceeded and to identify any additional trigger management actions required to prevent the trigger criteria being exceeded in the future; and (3) provide a report to the CEO within 30 days of an event, referred to in condition 6-8, occurring. The report shall include: (a) details of trigger management actions implemented; and (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 6-8(2).	*sp*. East Fortescue, investigate cause and report to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate)					The bushfire event that occurred in early October 2025 is not considered a trigger exceedance, as it resulted from a natural cause and was not attributable to project activities.
1021:M6.9	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent may review and revise the Plan	Revised Condition Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue submitted to CEO as applicable	Revised plan submitted to CEO of the DWER (or delegate)	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	On 19 December 2023, the Jimblebar Significant Amendment was submitted to amalgamate Ministerial Statement 439 (MS439), Ministerial Statement 1012 (MS1012), Ministerial Statement 1021 (MS1021) and Ministerial Statement 1126 (MS1126). A new amalgamated Environmental Management Plan was submitted and is currently with DWER for review. As part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment (MS1262), an updated Environmental Management Plan has been submitted to DWER on 19 December 2023. Following this approval, the requirement for an amalgamated Environmental Management Plan is no longer required as the MS439 and MS1012 commitments have been superseded by the EMP commitments under MS1262.
1021:M6.10	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall review and revise the Plan, as and when directed by the CEO.	Revised Condition Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue submitted to CEO of the DWER (or delegate)as applicable	Revised plan submitted to CEO of the DWER (or delegate)	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Following endorsement of the plan on 18 June 2018, no direction has been received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) to review and/or revise the Plan.
1021:M6.11	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall implement the latest revision the Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 6-6	Implement an endorsed Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue	Environmental Management Plan – Orebody 31 *Acacia sp*. East Fortescue endorsed by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The latest revision of the plan, as endorsed by a gazette delegate of the CEO of the DWER on 18 June 2018, has been implemented as per condition 6-7. As part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment, an updated Environmental Management Plan has been submitted to DWER on 19 December 2023. Following this approval, the requirement for an amalgamated Environmental Management Plan is no longer required as the MS439 and MS1012 commitments have been superseded by the EMP commitments under MS1262.

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1021:M6.12	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	In the event that *Acacia corusca* is declared Rare Flora under the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 and the implementation of the Plan required by condition 6-7 shows a significant decline in plant health of *Acacia corusca* attributable to the proposal, as determined by the CEO on advice from the Department of Parks and Wildlife, the proponent shall, within six months or as agreed in writing from the CEO prepare and submit a *Acacia corusca* Conservation and Research Plan on advice from Department of Parks and Wildlife to the satisfaction of the CEO.	If required in future, prepare and submit *Acacia corusca* Conservation and Research Plan	If required, submit *Acacia corusca* Conservation and Research Plan	Overall	If *Acacia corusca* is declared Rare Flora and there is a significant decline in plant health attributable to the proposal Life of proposal	NR	In accordance with the obligations of condition 1021:M6.8 and Schedule 1 of the BEMP (Version 5.0), BHP has assessed the plant health of *Acacia corusca* attributable to the proposal. *Acacia corusca* is not currently listed as Rare Flora, it is listed as P1 on the Threatened and Priority Flora List by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions. The approval of MS1262 in December 2025, requires the preparation of an Acacia Corusca Research Plan, which is currently being developed for submission to DWER by Q2 of FY2027.
1021:M6.13	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan identified in condition 6-12 shall include: (1) details of suitable conservation measures such as seed collection and germplasm storage, seeding or translocation trials to be undertaken to determine the likelihood of successful establishment, during mine site rehabilitation or other suitable measures, for conservation of the species; (2) details on research to be undertaken into the habitat, biology and conservation of the species; (3) timeframes and responsibilities for the implementation of proposed conservation measures; and (4) a monitoring programme and criteria for determining the efficacy of the proposed conservation measures.	If required in future, prepare and submit *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	If required, submit *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Not yet triggered (see comments for Condition M6.12)
1021:M6.14	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall implement the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	If required in future, implement *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan as endorsed by CEO.	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan as endorsed by CEO.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Not yet triggered (see comments for Condition M6.12)
1021:M6.15	*Acacia* sp. East Fortescue flora species (Flora and Vegetation)	The proponent shall submit a report to the CEO documenting the results of the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan, identifying the success of the conservation measures required by condition 6-13(1) and the findings of the research required by condition 6-13(2) within 6 months of completion of the measures set out in the approved plan.	If required, report the results of the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	Submit the report of the results of the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	Overall	Within 6 months of completion of the measures set out in the *Acacia* sp. East Fortescue Conservation and Research Plan	NR	Not yet triggered (see comments for Condition M6.12)
1021:M7.1	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	The proponent shall manage the discharge of surplus mine dewater from the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine in a manner that minimises impacts to the riparian vegetation along Jimblebar Creek	Implement the Surplus Water Discharge Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance of surplus water discharged is discussed in the CAR.
1021:M7.2	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	Prior to discharge of surplus mine dewater, the proponent shall prepare a Plan in consultation with the Department of Water to the satisfaction of the CEO. The Plan shall include: (1) descriptions of reference sites, including physical attributes, geographic locations and details of the baseline condition of what is to be monitored; rationale for the location of the sites; (2) descriptions of biological and physical environmental indicators to be monitored; (3) monitoring methodologies that will be implemented to measure the physical and biological indicators; (4) criteria that will trigger the implementation of management actions; and (5) trigger management actions to be implemented in the event that the trigger criteria required by condition 7-2(4) have been reached.	Prepare and submit Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan	Written endorsement of Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan received from the CEO.	Overall	Prior to the discharge of surplus mine dewater	CLD	The discharge of surplus mine water from the Orebody 31 Mine to Jimblebar Creek did not commence until August 2017. A Plan was prepared as per the requirements of condition 7-2, and submitted to the OEPA, as Schedule 2 of Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) Version 3, on 21 July 2016. Subsequent revisions have been made to the Plan

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								and EPWRMP Version 6.0 was the active plan throughout the FY2026 reporting period. As part of the Orebody 29, 30 & 35 Significant Amendment (MS1266) and Jimblebar Significant Amendment (MS1262), an updated Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) will be submitted upon approval. The EPWRMP revision submitted on 19 December 2023 no longer requires review and BHP anticipates an updated EPWRMP will be submitted in Q2 of FY2027.
1021:M7.3	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 7-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the requirements of the Plan specified by condition 7-2; and (2) continue to implement requirements of the Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the objective in condition 7-1 is being and will continue to be met and therefore implementation of the Plan is no longer required.	Implement the Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER. Written endorsement of the Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan required by condition 7-2 received from the CEO.	Overall	Life of proposal until it has been demonstrated that the objective in Condition 7-1 is being and will continue to be met	C	EPWRMP Version 6 was the active plan throughout the FY2026 reporting period.
1021:M7.4	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	In the event that the monitoring specified in the Plan indicates that the trigger criteria specified in the Plan has been exceeded, the proponent shall: (1) immediately implement the trigger management actions specified in the Plan and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria are not exceeded or until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the objective in condition 7-1 is being and will continue to be met and implementation of the trigger management actions is no longer required; (2) investigate to determine the likely cause of the trigger criteria being exceeded and to identify any additional trigger management actions required to prevent the trigger criteria being exceeded in the future; and (3) provide a report to the CEO within 30 days of an event, referred to in condition 7-4, occurring. The report shall include: (a) details of trigger management actions implemented; and (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 7-4(2).	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within 30 days of an event	C	There were no known exceedances during FY2026. Monitoring results are discussed in the CAR.
1021:M7.5	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	The proponent may review and revise the Plan	Revised Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan submitted to CEO as applicable	Copy of correspondence to CEO submitting revised plan	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1021:M7.2.
1021:M7.6	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	The proponent shall review and revise the Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Revised Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan submitted to CEO as applicable	Copy of correspondence to CEO submitting revised plan	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	See comment for Section 1021:M7.2.
1021:M7.7	Surplus Water Discharge (Hydrological Processes)	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 7-2.	Implement the most recent version of the Surplus Water Discharge Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1021:M7.3.
1021:M8.1	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	The proponent shall manage the discharge of surplus mine dewater from the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine in a manner that minimises impacts to the Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community	Implement the Surplus Water Discharge Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	A detailed subterranean fauna survey monitoring program was undertaken during FY2026, with field work completed following both wet and dry season.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
								Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1021:M8.2	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	Prior to discharge of surplus mine dewater, the proponent shall prepare a Plan in consultation with the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Water to the satisfaction of the CEO, to demonstrate that condition 8-1 has been met. The Plan shall include: (1) descriptions of reference sites, including physical attributes, geographic locations and details of the baseline condition of what is to be monitored; rationale for the location of the sites; (2) descriptions of biological and physical environmental indicators to be monitored; (3) monitoring methodologies that will be implemented to measure the physical and biological indicators; (4) criteria that will trigger the implementation of management actions; and (5) trigger management actions to be implemented in the event that the trigger criteria required by condition 8-2(4) have been reached.	Prepare and submit Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan to the CEO that meets the requirements of condition 8-2.	Written endorsement of the Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan received from the CEO.	Overall	Prior to the discharge of surplus mine dewater	CLD	The discharge of surplus mine water from the Orebody 31 Mine to Ophthalmia Dam pipeline commenced in September 2017. A Plan was prepared as per the requirements of condition 8-2, and submitted to the OEPA, as Schedule 1 of EPWRMP Version 3, on 21 July 2016. The endorsed EPWRMP (Version 6.0) was the active plan for the FY2026 reporting period.
1021:M8.3	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the requirements of the Plan specified by condition 8-2; and (2) continue to implement requirements of the Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the objective in condition 8-1 is being and will continue to be met and therefore implementation of the Plan is no longer required.	Implement the endorsed Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan.	Written endorsement of the Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan required by condition 8-2 received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate). Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal until it has been demonstrated that the objective in Condition 8-1 is being and will continue to be met	C	This Plan was endorsed by a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER on, as Schedule 1 of EPWRMP Version 3.0, on 5 August 2016. EPWRMP (Version 6.0) was the active plan throughout the FY2026 reporting period. The EPWRMP revision submitted on 19 December 2023 no longer requires review and BHP anticipates an updated EPWRMP will be submitted in FY2027.
1021:M8.4	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	In the event that the monitoring specified in the Plan indicates that the trigger criteria specified in the Plan has been exceeded, the proponent shall: (1) immediately implement the trigger management actions specified in the Plan and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria are not exceeded or until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the objective in condition 8-1 is being and will continue to be met and implementation of the trigger management actions is no longer required; (2) investigate to determine the likely cause of the trigger criteria being exceeded and to identify any additional trigger management actions required to prevent the trigger criteria being exceeded in the future; and (3) provide a report to the CEO within 30 days of an event, referred to in condition 8-4, occurring. The report shall include: (a) details of trigger management actions implemented; and (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 8-4(2).	Written notification to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within 30 days of an event	NR	Noted.
1021:M8.5	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	The proponent may review the Plan	Revised Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan submitted to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).as applicable	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).submitting revised plan.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Noted.
1021:M8.6	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	The proponent shall review and revise the Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Revised Surplus Water Discharge Management Plan submitted to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).as applicable	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).submitting revised plan.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	As part of the Orebody 29, 30 & 35 Significant Amendment (MS1266) and MS1262, an updated Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) will be submitted upon approval. The EPWRMP revision submitted on 19 December 2023 no longer requires review and BHP anticipates an updated EPWRMP will be submitted in FY2027.

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1021:M8.7	Surplus Water Discharge (Inland Waters Environmental Quality)	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2.	Implement the most recent version of the Surplus Water Discharge Plan approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1021:M8.3.
1021:M9.1	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner, through the implementation of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO that meets the objective of condition 9-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Closure	Life of proposal	C	The Mine Closure Plan (MCP) is being followed during construction and operation phases.
1021:M9.2	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the Mine Closure Plan (Revision No. 0, dated 12 August 2015).	Implement Mine Closure Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Closure	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1021:M9.1.
1021:M9.3	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2, on the advice of DMP and to satisfaction of the CEO, in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, (DMP/OEPA, May 2015) and any updates, at intervals not exceeding three years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO.	Revise Mine Closure Plan at intervals not exceeding three years.	Copy of correspondence to CEO submitting the Mine Closure Plans at intervals not exceeding three years.	Overall	Intervals not exceeding three years	C	Previously a Closure Plan was submitted in 2015. Subsequently the Orebody 17/18/31 Mine Closure Plan was created in July 2018 and submitted to the EPA on 13 August 2018 and DWER confirmed receipt on 15 October 2018. The triennial update for the Orebody 17/18/31 Mine Closure Plan (Revision 1, January 2022) was submitted to DWER for assessment and is pending comments from the Regulator. A new revision of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan is required to be submitted to DWER by 8 December 2026 following the approval of MS1262.The new MCP will combine the Orebodies area with the rest of Jimblebar, in accordance with the new development envelope and conditions of MS1262.
1021:M9.4	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 9-3.	Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate). Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Closure	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1021:M9.1..
1021:M10.1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts and risks as a result of implementation of the proposal, the proponent shall contribute funds for the clearing of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley and Fortescue IBRA subregions, and calculated pursuant to condition 10-2. This funding shall be provided to a government-established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2 and 10-5.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially, following the commencement of ground disturbance	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for MS1021 (July 2023 – June 2025) was submitted to DWER on 19/09/2025 (ID 0093516). The invoice has been received and paid in full for the 2023-2025 reporting period. The MS1021 IRR, covering the period from July 2025 to 8 December 2026 (date on which MS1021 was superseded by MS1262), will be submitted by 30 September 2026.
1021:M10.2	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the initiative identified in condition 10-1 shall be paid biennially, the first payment due two years after the commencement of ground disturbance. The amount of funding will be made on the following basis in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by 10-3:	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2 and 10-5.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially, following the commencement of ground disturbance	C	See comment for Section 1021:M10.1.

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
		(1) $750 AUD (excluding GST)per hectare of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the development envelope (delineated in Figure 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2) within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; and (2) $1,500 AUD (excluding GST)per hectare of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the Development Envelope (delineated in Figure 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2) within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.						
1021:M10.3	Offsets	Within twelve months of the date of this Statement, the proponent shall prepare an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to 12 November 2016	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure (v2.3) was submitted to the regulator on 19 February 2023 to address regulator comments and include MS1126. The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (v2.3) was endorsed by the Regulator on 6 September 2023.
1021:M10.4	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 10-3 shall: (1) require the proponent to submit spatial data identifying areas of 'good to excellent' condition native vegetation that has been cleared; (2) include a methodology for calculating the amount of clearing undertaken during each biennial time period; (3) include a methodology for calculating the amount of temporary vegetation clearing for the access road that has commenced rehabilitation within twelve months of final commissioning of the haul road; (4) state dates for the commencement of the biennial time period and for the submission of results of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure, to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO, to the requirements of condition 10-4.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to 12 November 2016	C	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure addresses the requirements outlined in the Condition.
1021:M10.5	Offsets	The real value of contributions described in condition 10-2 will be maintained through indexation to the Perth Consumer Price Index (CPI), with the first adjustment to be applied to the first contribution.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2 and 10-5.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially, following the commencement of ground disturbance	C	Contributions to the Fund, and the Impact Reconciliation Reporting Procedure which guides the process for contributions to the Fund, include these provisions.

3.13 Ministerial Statement 1037

3.13.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1037 – Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal for the FY2025 reporting period.

Orebodies 24, 25 and 32 are collectively known as the BHP Eastern Ridge mining hub and are located approximately 8 kilometres northeast of the Newman township in the Pilbara region. The Eastern Ridge mining hub is situated on Crown Land within Mineral Lease 244SA (ML244SA) and granted pursuant to the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*. BHP manages and operates Orebodies 24, 25 and 32 on behalf of the Mount Newman Joint Venture participants. In January 2016, the Eastern Ridge Revised Proposal was referred to the EPA with the intention to supersede the three existing Ministerial Statements and access a new deposit known as Orebody 25 West. On 21 September 2016, the Minister for Environment issued Ministerial Statement 1037, known as the Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal.

This Proposal involves campaign mining using conventional open-cut mining methods, including drilling, blasting and categorisation of blasted material. Iron ore from these deposits is transported to and processed at the Orebody 24 processing plant. Processed ore is stockpiled and loaded onto rail cars through a train bin loading facility and directly into ore cars by wheel loaders for transport to Port Hedland or to the Newman Hub via shuttle trains.

3.13.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 1037 – Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal is operational. There have been no applications submitted to change or amend this Ministerial Statement during the FY2026 reporting period.

The Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan Version 4 was submitted to DWER in December 2024 and is currently under consideration. The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 was submitted 20 December 2021 and is awaiting endorsement. BHP continues to manage its activities at the Eastern Ridge mining hub in accordance with the existing applicable management plans.

3.13.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal
Statement Number	1037
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1037 – Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances against Ministerial Statement 1037 identified during the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;

- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.13.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1037 and covers:

- Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (BEMP - rev 5.0, 2018);
  - Conservation significant Flora
  - *Eremophila magnifica subspecies valutina*
  - Eastern Ridge Riparian vegetation (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis subsp. refulgens* and *E. victrix*)
  - Conservation significant fauna
  - Pilbara olive python
- Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP - rev. 6.1, 2021);
  - Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community
- Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan Version 3.1;
- Ministerial Statement 1037 Authorised extent;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Flora and Vegetation – Conservation Significant Flora Species and Vegetation

To meet the requirements of Conditions 6-1(1), 6-2 and 5-2 of Ministerial Statement 1037, the BEMP (rev 5.0, 2018) is regarded as the active plan for managing conservation significant flora species and vegetation at Eastern Ridge. The following sections outline the Management Actions and Management Targets required to meet the objectives outlined in the BEMP.

The following Management Targets and Actions were implemented during the FY2026 reporting period. Verification of the implementation of the management actions and reporting on the effectiveness of the actions against the targets is summarised in the sections below.

Schedule 2a: MS1037 Eastern Ridge - Conservation Significant Flora

The Management Targets were successfully met through Management Action implementation during the FY2026 reporting period, therefore, BHP considers that the objective *'minimise impacts to conservation significant flora species'* has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 3-35 Significant Flora Conservation Management Action Verification

Management Target	Management Action	Verification of implementation
No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope.	Minimise impacts to conservation significant flora, by implementing the GLUP process prior to land disturbance.	The land disturbance (GLUP) process was implemented throughout FY2026. No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge in FY2026.
	Minimise clearing of native vegetation, by utilising existing infrastructure and facilities, and disposing of waste rock within mine pits, where practicable.	Clearing of native vegetation was minimised where practicable, with pre-disturbed areas prioritised for projects. Waste rock was disposed of within mine pits where practicable.
No declared weeds introduced to the Development Envelope as a result of BHP activities.	Conduct weed hygiene inspections on ground-engaging equipment prior to arriving at site.	Details of machinery inspections and cleaning are documented via BHPs Vehicle/Equipment Weed Hygiene Certificates. These are completed prior to any new ground engaging equipment entering a BHP operational or exploration area where weed infestations are present.
	Implement weed management controls to specific species and activities as required.	BHP assesses the composition and distribution of weed species within the development envelope by engaging an external environmental consultant. On-ground mapping and control was completed at Eastern Ridge 25-30 October 2025 and 14-22 February 2026 by Astron Environmental Services. Verification of control effectiveness has been carried out 24-31 March 2026. No new declared weed species were identified during the FY2026 weed control program.

Schedule 2b: MS1037 Eastern Ridge - *Eremophila magnifica* subspecies *valutina*

The Management Targets were successfully met through Management Action implementation during the FY2026 reporting period, therefore, BHP considers that the objective *'*minimise impacts to *Eremophila magnifica* subsp. *velutina'* has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period.

Table 3-36 *Eremophila magnifica* subsp. *velutina* Management Action Verification

Management Actions	Management Target	Verification of implementation
Avoid direct impacts (i.e. clearing) to known locations of *Eremophila magnifica subsp. Valutina,* where practicable.	Retention of self-sustaining population(s) of *Eremophila magnifica* subsp. *velutina* within the Development Envelope.	*Eremophila magnifica subsp. Valutina* were tracked and reviewed for land disturbance through the land disturbance (GLUP) process with no known impact to any of the known locations during the FY2026 reporting period.
Progressive rehabilitation as described in the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan will be implemented using local topsoil and including the use of *Eremophila magnifica* subsp. *velutina* material.		All available topsoil has been collected and retained as per BHP internal procedures. Rehabilitation works have been conducted at Eastern Ridge, as per Table 3-41.
Research and development will be undertaken on the propagation and establishment of *Eremophila magnifica* subsp. *velutina* in rehabilitation in the Eastern Pilbara.		A species distribution model and desktop assessment of Eremophila population in the Pilbara has been completed. This will inform knowledge of reproductive ecology and confirmation of identification of the two sub species of Eremophila. BHP is currently undertaking a collaborative research project with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) to investigate the seed ecology, propagation, and establishment requirements of *Eremophila magnifica subsp. velutina*. The project will generate knowledge on seed biology, soil seed bank dynamics, germination and propagation techniques, and natural recruitment processes to support the successful use of this species in rehabilitation programs across Eastern Ridge.

Schedule 2c: MS1037 Eastern Ridge Riparian vegetation *(Eucalyptus camaldulensis subsp. refulgens* and *E. victrix)*

Riparian vegetation monitoring was undertaken in November 2025 and May 2026. The following assessment presents the on-ground monitoring results and remote-sensing analysis relevant to the FY2026 reporting period.

Based on the monitoring results, BHP considers that the environmental objective to minimise impacts to the health of riparian vegetation, specifically *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* subsp. *refulgens* and *E. victrix*, was achieved during the FY2026 reporting period.

Verification of the implementation of management actions

On-ground monitoring undertaken in May 2026 identified declines in some vegetation health, crown condition and predawn leaf water potential measures relative to November 2025. Control-limit exceedances were recorded at both potential impact and reference sites. However, there was no consistent evidence that vegetation responses at potential impact sites differed materially from those observed at reference sites. The monitoring results were therefore interpreted as reflecting seasonal and regional climatic conditions, including below-average rainfall during 2025 and 2026, rather than an adverse effect attributable to groundwater drawdown from mine dewatering.

For *E. camaldulensis*, the median vegetation health score for live trees declined at reference site HC1 and potential impact site HC2 between November 2025 and May 2026. HC2 exceeded the first control limit, CL1, for the first time since 2019. For the original cohort of live and dead trees, CL1 was exceeded at both HC1 and HC2. For *E. victrix*, vegetation health scores remained unchanged at all sites except HC1, where the score increased above CL1. CL1 exceedances for *E. victrix* were present across both potential impact and reference sites.

Predawn leaf water potential generally declined between November 2025 and May 2026. A pronounced decline was recorded for *E. camaldulensis* at potential impact site HC2, which exceeded CL2. An exceedance of CL2 was also recorded at reference site HC5, while *E. victrix* exceeded CL1 at reference site HC6. Despite these exceedances, water-potential safety margins at all monitoring sites remained above critical water-stress thresholds. The widespread distribution of the changes across potential impact and reference sites indicates a seasonal reduction in plant water status associated with poor rainfall rather than a response specific to groundwater drawdown.

No new deaths of monitoring trees were recorded during the May 2026 monitoring event. Visual health was stable or declined between November 2025 and May 2026, with declines and control-limit exceedances occurring at both potential impact and reference sites.

Remote-sensing analysis identified a generally negative change in the modified soil-adjusted vegetation index across the assessable monitoring zones between May 2025 and April 2026. The magnitude of change was similar across the Reference and Potential Drawdown zones, providing no indication of a spatial response specific to the Potential Drawdown zone. The Transition zone could not be assessed because cloud cover affected the available imagery.

Overall, the on-ground and remote-sensing results showed evidence of a general decline in vegetation health during the reporting period. However, there was no indication that potential impact sites were affected to a greater extent than reference sites. The observed changes were considered most likely attributable to seasonal variation, dry conditions and consecutive years of below-average rainfall.

On this basis, no adverse effect on the health or water status of riparian vegetation along Homestead Creek was attributed to groundwater drawdown associated with mine dewatering during the FY2026 reporting period. BHP therefore considers that the relevant environmental objective under MS 1037 was achieved.

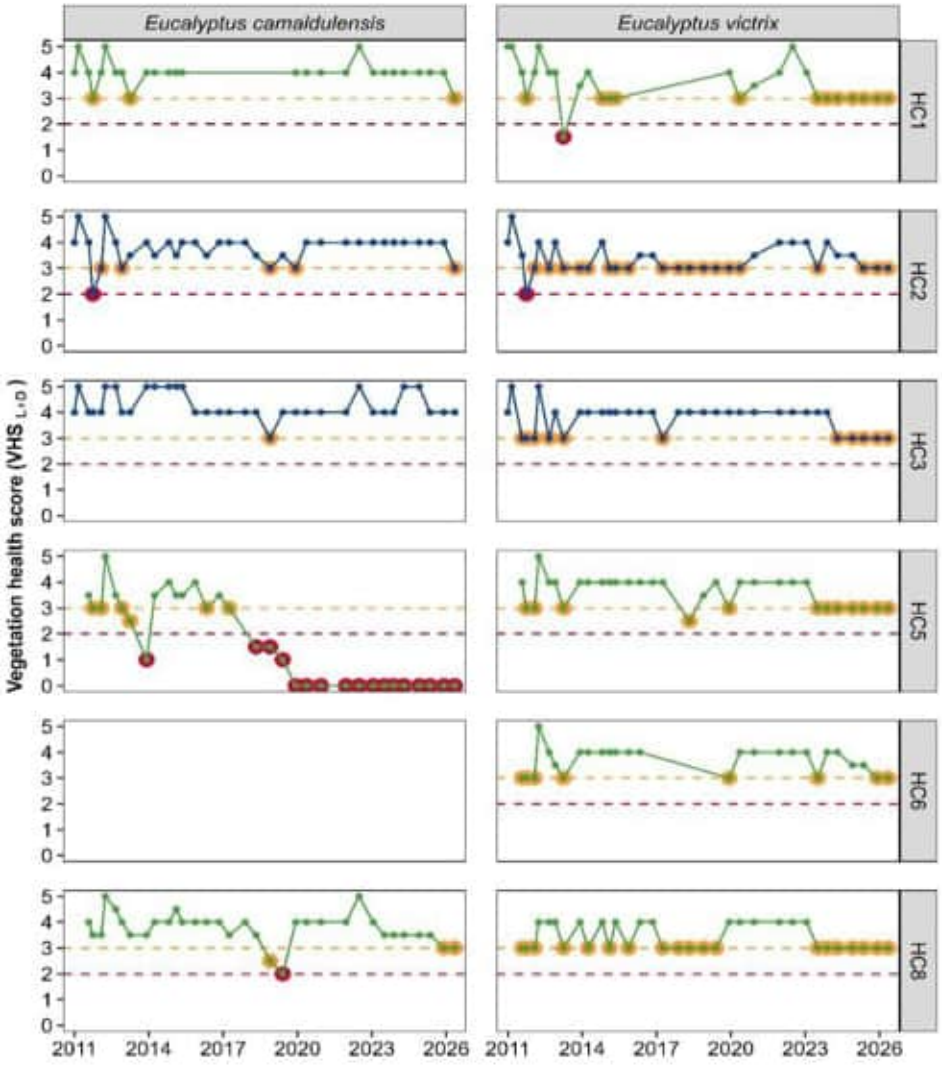


Figure 3-1 Vegetation Health Score Homestead Creek FY2026 riparian vegetation monitoring program

Terrestrial Fauna – Conservation Significant Terrestrial Fauna

To meet the requirements of Conditions 7-1, 7-2 and 5-2 of Ministerial Statement 1037, the BEMP (rev 5.0, 18 June 2018) is regarded as the active plan for managing conservation significant terrestrial fauna at Eastern Ridge. The following sections outline the Management Actions and Management Targets required to meet the objectives outlined in the BEMP.

Schedule 2d: MS1037 Eastern Ridge – Conservation Significant Fauna

The Management Targets were successfully met through Management Action implementation during the FY2026 reporting period, therefore, BHP considers that the objective *'minimise direct and indirect impacts on conservation significant fauna species and their habitat'* has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period and that management actions have been effective at achieving the management targets.

Table 3-37 Significant Fauna Conservation Management Action Verification

Management Action	Management Target	Verification of implementation
Minimise impacts to conservation significant fauna by implementing the GLUP process prior to land disturbance.	No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope.	The land disturbance (GLUP) process was implemented throughout FY2026. No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge in FY2026.
Minimise clearing of native vegetation, by utilising existing infrastructure and facilities, and disposing of waste rock within mine pits, where practicable.		Clearing of native vegetation was minimised where practicable, with pre-disturbed areas prioritised for projects. Waste rock was disposed of within mine pits where practicable.

Schedule 2e: MS1037 Eastern Ridge – Pilbara Olive Python

The Management Targets were successfully met through Management Action implementation during the FY2026 reporting period, therefore BHP considers that the objective *'minimise direct and indirect impacts on the Pilbara Olive Python and it's habitat'* has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period and that management actions have been effective at achieving the management targets.

Table 3-38 Pilbara Olive Python Management Action Verification

Management Action	Management Target	Verification of implementation
Avoid direct impacts to the known locations of Pilbara Olive Python habitat (waterholes), through the modification of the Development Envelope, as depicted in Figure 'Schedule 2e (1)'.	No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope.	No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge in FY2026
Minimise impacts to Pilbara Olive Python habitat (waterholes), by avoiding direct impacts where practicable and implementing the GLUP process prior to land disturbance.		There has been no known impact to Pilbara Olive Python habitat (waterholes) within the Development Envelope in FY2026. The GLUP process has been implemented throughout FY2026. No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge in FY2026
Minimise clearing of native vegetation, by utilising existing infrastructure and facilities, and disposing of waste rock within mine pits, where practicable.		Clearing of native vegetation was minimised where practicable, with existing cleared areas utilised in projects. Waste rock was disposed of within mine pits where practicable.

Subterranean Fauna – Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community

Two monitoring events were undertaken by Stantec Australia for the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) to satisfy the management targets of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP, Version 6.0) Schedule 1a:

- **Event 1:** 5 to 11 November 2025 to capture conditions at the end of the dry season.
- **Event 2:** 20 to 26 March 2026 to capture conditions at the end of the wet season

Based on the summary information from the field survey available at the time of this report preparation, there are no known exceedances of management targets as described in the EPWRMP. BHP considers that the outcome

'minimises impacts to the Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community'

has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period. There have been no exceedances of trigger criteria for water quality (Total Dissolved Solids) and water quality (groundwater levels) identified in the Ethel Gorge Primary Habitat Monitoring Zone.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has received a draft version of the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program annual report (prepared by Stantec). A summary of the findings is as follows:

- In general, there were no detectable changes in the physico-chemical parameters of groundwater in relation to mining activities during the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program, based on standing water levels (SWLs) and groundwater quality. Groundwater levels remained stable across the monitoring, with minor fluctuations consistent historical variability. Physico-chemical parameters were generally consistent with historical data and did not indicate a deterioration in groundwater quality attributable to mining activities. While elevated dissolved copper and zinc concentrations were identified during the monitoring period, no corresponding ecological impacts were recorded and do not currently represent a risk to the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont TEC.
- Stygofauna abundance and species diversity during the FY2025 monitoring program were among the highest recorded since monitoring commenced. Total abundance was substantially higher than that observed during the FY2024 monitoring program and was driven by high abundances of copepods and other taxa present in the monitoring area. Diversity remained comparable, or greater than, monitoring results from previous years.
- The findings of the Program along with previous programs indicate that current groundwater management practices have been appropriate to prevent potential impacts to the Ethel Gorge stygofauna TEC from BHP WAIO operations. It is also considered that adequate saturation of the core habitat has been maintained, enabling the persistence of stygofauna.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has not received an Annual Report regarding the outcomes of the FY2026 stygofauna monitoring program. It is not anticipated that any significant impacts to the Ethel Gorge TEC will be highlighted through the report.

Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan

Rehabilitation monitoring was undertaken at Eastern Ridge in FY2026, as outlined in Section 7.4.7 of the FY2026 AER.

Groundwater monitoring was undertaken at Eastern Ridge in FY2025 and FY2026, as outlined above (Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community).

Weed mapping, control and monitoring was undertaken at Eastern Ridge in FY2026, as outlined in Table 3-35.

Ministerial Statement 1037 Authorised extent

Table 3-39 Ministerial Statement 1037 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Mine and associated infrastructure	Clearing of no more than 3,820 ha within the Eastern Ridge Development Envelope of 4,267 ha.	All clearing conducted within the Development Envelope.
		Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 is as per Table 3-40 below.
Dewatering	Abstraction of up to 24 GL/a of groundwater	11.65 GL dewatered from all Eastern Ridge pits in FY2026.
Surplus dewater management	Discharge of up to 19 GL/a surplus dewater into Ophthalmia Dam.	8.23 GL of surplus dewater discharged into Ophthalmia Dam in FY2026 (including OB32 contribution).
Backfilling of mine pits	Orebody 25 Pit 1 and Pit 3 are to be backfilled to a level which will not allow the formation of permanent pit lakes.	Site remedial works are conducted as per the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan. Pit backfill is continuing at OB25 Pit 1 and OB25 Pit 3. Pit backfilling at OB23 has been completed to above the pre-mining water table.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

The table below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Eastern Ridge Iron Ore Revised Proposal. Table 3-41 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

Table 3-40 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1037

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	2,283.96	2,358.56
Total	**2,283.96**	**2,358.56**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)[2]	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	38.44	38.44
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	199.66	244.72
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**238.10**	**283.16**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

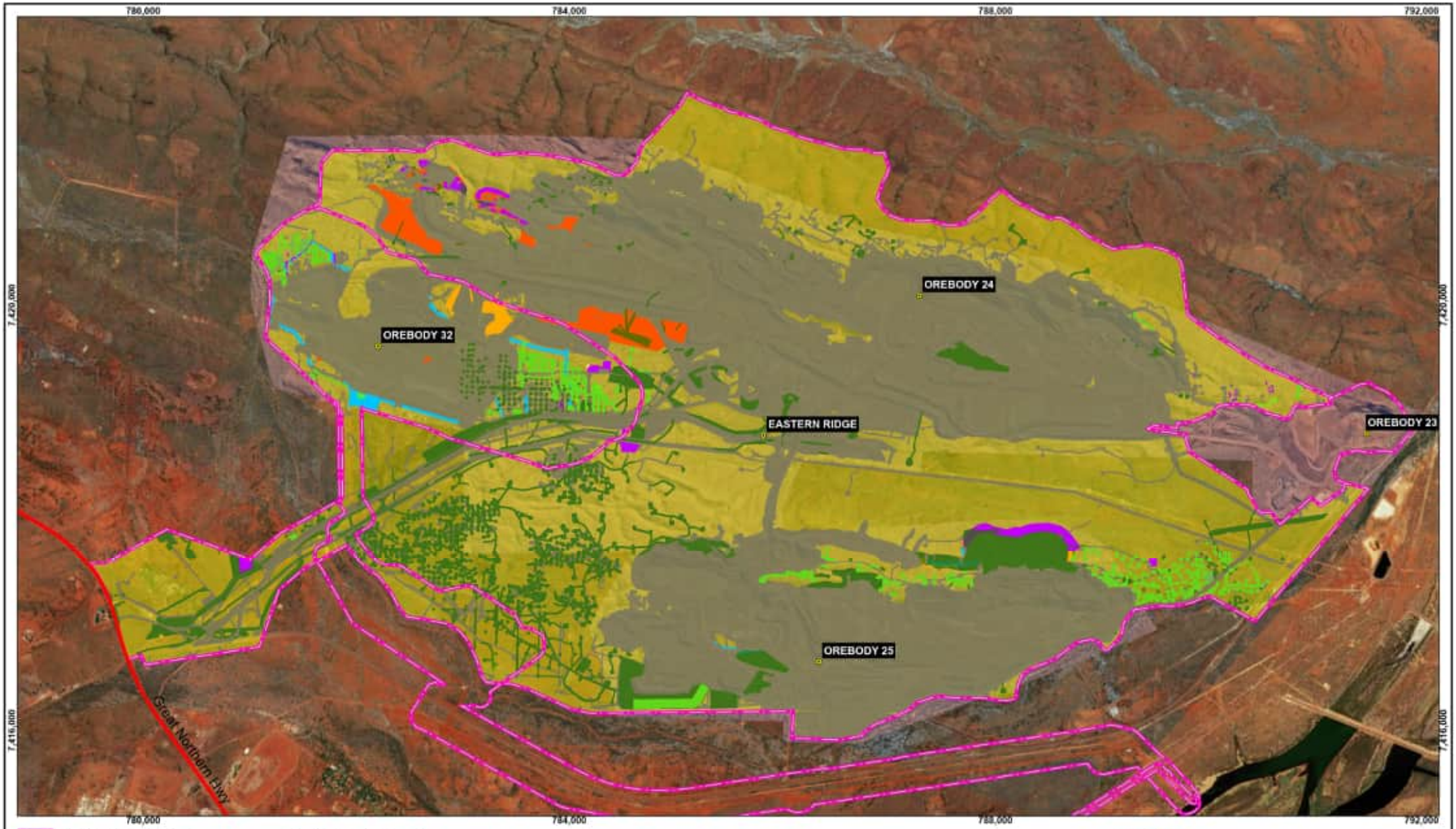
[1] Disturbance for MS1037 is inclusive of historical land disturbance conducted under MS712, MS834 and MS1018.

[2] Rehabilitation for MS1037 is inclusive of historical rehabilitation conducted under MS712, MS834 and MS1018.

Table 3-41 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1037

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.15
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	531.50
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	3.02
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.04
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	22.34
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	25.59
8	Plant site	14.16
9	Fuel storage facility	1.37
10	Workshop	7.27
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	19.37
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	8.64
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.74
17	Run-of-mine pad	68.91
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	3.24
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	411.66
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	813.75
22	Laydown or hardstand area	50.80
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.63
25	Borefield	1.10
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	84.03
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	238.93
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	191.73
30	Topsoil stockpile	42.48
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	91.43
32	Not Applicable	8.85

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA = Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1037:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	When implementing the proposal, the proponent shall not exceed the authorised extent of the proposal as defined in Table 2 in Schedule 1, unless amendments to the proposal and the authorised extent of the proposal have been approved under the EP Act.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report. Easter Ridge Spatial Data	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1. Refer to the CAR for further information.
1037:M2.1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any change in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification of the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	NR	No change of name or address occurred within the reporting period.
1037:M3.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare, submit and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 3-6, or prior to implementation, whichever is sooner.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Before 1 April 2017, or prior to implementation	CLD	A Compliance Assessment Plan was prepared and submitted to the OEPA on 30 March 2017.
1037:M3.2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Before 1 April 2017, or prior to implementation	CLD	The Compliance Assessment Plan was submitted to the OEPA on 30 March 2017. Notice in writing that the OEPA endorse the Compliance Assessment Plan was received on 11 May 2017.
1037:M3.3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 3-2 the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.	Complete assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	Notice in writing from a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 3-2, was received on 11 May 2017. The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1037:M3.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	Compliance assessment reports will be retained in electronic format in an internal document management system.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1037:M3.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven (7) days of that potential non-compliance being known.	Submit statement of non-compliance with relevant details.	Statement of non-compliance.	Overall	Within seven days of potential non-compliance being known.	C	Any potential non-compliances were reported within the seven-day reporting period.
1037:M3.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as agreed in writing by the CEO. The first Compliance Assessment Report shall be submitted by 1 October 2017 addressing the compliance for the period from the date of issue of this Statement,	Submit Compliance Assessment Report.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	This Compliance Assessment Report, included in BHP's Annual Environmental Report, fulfils this requirement.

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		notwithstanding that the first reporting period may be less than 12 months. The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.		BHP's Annual Environmental Report				
1037:M4.1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 4-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO of the issue of this Statement and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)) relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.	Subject to condition 4-2, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this Revised Proposal and implementation of this Statement will be publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal Subject to condition 4-2, relevant data to be provided on request.	NR	No data has been requested to be made publicly available during the reporting period
1037:M4.2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 4-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Written request to the CEO for an exemption for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO (or equivalent) to not make these data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	No data has been requested to be made publicly available during the reporting period.
1037:M5.1	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	Within 6 months of issue of this Statement or as otherwise agreed by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Condition Environmental Management Plan/s to demonstrate that the environmental objectives in conditions 6-1 and 7-1 will be met.	Prepare and submit a Condition Environmental Management Plan to the CEO (or equivalent).	Condition Environmental Management Plan submitted to the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Before 21 March 2017	CLD	Condition Environmental Management Plan to demonstrate that the environmental objectives in condition 6-1 and 7-1 will be met was prepared as Schedule 2 of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 2.0, and submitted to the OEPA on 10 February 2017.
1037:M5.2	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	The Condition Environmental Management Plan/s shall: (1) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in conditions 6-1 and 7-1; (2) specify risk-based management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in conditions 6-1 and 7-1. Failure to implement one or more of the management actions represents non-compliance with these conditions; (3) specify measurable management targets to determine the effectiveness of the risk-based management actions; (4) specify monitoring to measure the effectiveness of management actions against management targets, including but not limited to, parameters to be measured, baseline data, monitoring locations, and frequency and timing of monitoring; (5) specify a process for revision of management actions and changes to proposal activities, in the event that the management targets are not achieved. The process shall include an investigation to determine the cause of the management targets being exceeded;	Prepare a Condition Environmental Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 5-2.	Written endorsement of the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Condition Environmental Management Plan to demonstrate that the environmental objectives in condition 6-1 and 7-1 will be met, in accordance with the requirements of condition 5-2, were submitted as 'Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0' to the DWER on 18 May 2018. These Schedules were endorsed by a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER on 18 June 2018.

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		(6) provide the format and timing to demonstrate that condition 5-1 has been met for the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 3-6 including, but not limited to: (a) verification of the implementation of management actions; and (b) reporting on the effectiveness of management actions against management target/s.						
1037:M5.3	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s satisfies the requirements of condition 5-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions of the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s; and (2) continue to implement the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives specified in conditions 6-1 and 7-1 have been met.	Implement an endorsed Condition Environmental Management Plan.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	FY2026 weed management program has been implemented as well as verification of control effectiveness. Riparian Vegetation environmental monitoring program has been implemented in compliance to this condition requirements.
1037:M5.4	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate exceedance of management target/s specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s, the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within 21 days of the exceedance being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management targets being exceeded; (3) provide a report to the CEO within 90 days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 5-4(1). The report shall include: (a) cause of management targets being exceeded; (b) the findings of the investigation required by conditions 5-4(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent exceedance of the management target/s; and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	The CEO will be notified in writing within 21 days of an exceedance of management target/s occurring. A written report satisfying the requirements of condition 5-4(3) will be submitted to the CEO within 90 days of the initial notification.	Statement of non-compliance. Investigation report. Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	During the reporting period, there was no management target exceeded against actions specified in Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0.
1037:M5.5	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan have not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement management action/s in writing to the CEO within 7 days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action/s not being implemented; (3) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement management actions; (4) provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the reporting required by condition 5-5(1). The report shall include: (a) cause for failure to implement management actions; (b) the findings of the investigation required by conditions 5-5(2) and 5-5(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	The CEO will be notified in writing within seven (7) days when it has been identified that a required management action has not been implemented. A report satisfying the requirements of condition 5-5(4) will be submitted to the CEO within 21 days of the initial notification.	Statement of non-compliance. Investigation report. Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	During the reporting period, there was no management target exceeded against actions specified in Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0.
1037:M5.6	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s, or (2) shall review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s as and when directed by the CEO.	Condition Environmental Management Plan will be reviewed and revised as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Condition Environmental Management Plan, submitted to the CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	The Plan has been reviewed and revised. The latest revision was prepared as Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0, and submitted to the DWER on 18 May 2018. These Schedules were endorsed by a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER on 18 June 2018.

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1037:M5.7	Management-based Condition Environmental Management Plan/s	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plans, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 5-2.	Implement the latest endorsed revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The latest revision of the plan, as endorsed by DWER on 18 June 2018, has been implemented as per 1037:M5.3.
1037:M6.1	Flora and Vegetation - Conservation Significant Flora Species and Vegetation	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objectives: (1) minimise impacts to Priority flora species, including *Eremophila magnifica subsp. velutina*. (2) minimise impacts to riparian vegetation (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis subsp. refulgens* and *E. victrix*) health.	Implement endorsed Condition Environmental Management Plan, which describes how conditions 6-1(1) and 6-1(2) will be met.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Verification of effectiveness of implemented controls, e.g. Riparian Vegetation environmental monitoring results, demonstrate compliance to the condition requirements. The proposal has been implemented in accordance with 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0. The PEAHR process has been implemented throughout FY2026. No unauthorised disturbance beyond the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge in FY2026 including exclusion zones. Refer to the CAR for further information regarding the implementation of management actions and monitoring results.
1037:M6.2	Flora and Vegetation - Conservation Significant Flora Species and Vegetation	The Condition Environmental Management Plan/s required by condition 5-1 shall include provisions required by condition 5-2, to address potential impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation health including from, but not limited to, changes to groundwater levels and from weeds.	Prepare a Condition Environmental Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2.	Written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0 was submitted to the DWER on 18 May 2018. These Schedules were endorsed by a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER on 18 June 2018.
1037:M6.3	Flora and Vegetation - Conservation Significant Flora Species and Vegetation	The proponent shall continue to implement the version most recently approved by the CEO of the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan/s required by condition 5-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 5-2.	Continue to implement the latest endorsed revision of the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan until written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan is received from the CEO.	Written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Until Condition Environmental Management Plan is endorsed by the CEO (or equivalent).	C	Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0, endorsed on 18 June 2018, supersedes the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan. Refer to the CAR for further information.
1037:M7.1	Terrestrial Fauna-conservation significant terrestrial fauna	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) minimise direct and indirect impacts on conservation significant fauna species, including Pilbara Olive Python, and their habitat.	Implement endorsed Condition Environmental Management Plan, which describes how conditions 7-1(1) and 7-1 (2) will be met.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0. Refer to the CAR for further information regarding the implementation of management actions and monitoring results. No unauthorised disturbance within the Development Envelope occurred at Eastern Ridge (including exclusion zones) in FY2026. There has been no known impact to Pilbara Olive Python habitat (waterholes).
1037:M7.2	Terrestrial Fauna-conservation significant terrestrial fauna	The Condition Environmental Management Plan/s required by condition 5-1 shall include provisions required by condition 5-2, to address potential impacts on conservation significant terrestrial fauna including from, but not limited to, loss of habitat, including wetlands and waterways.	Prepare a Condition Environmental Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 7-2.	Written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Submit plan before 21 March 2017	C	Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0 was submitted to the DWER on 18 May 2018. These Schedules were endorsed by a gazetted delegate of the CEO of the DWER on 18 June 2018.
1037:M7.3	Terrestrial Fauna-conservation	The proponent shall continue to implement the versions most recently approved by the CEO of the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations	Continue to implement the latest endorsed revision of the Orebody	Written endorsement of the Condition	Overall	Until Condition Environmental	C	Schedules 2a to 2e of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan Version 5.0,

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	significant terrestrial fauna	Environmental Management Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plants required by condition 5-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 5-2.	24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan until written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan is received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).		Management Plan is endorsed by the CEO (or equivalent).		endorsed on 18 June 2018, supersedes the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan. Refer to the CAR for further information.
1037:M8.1	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	Within 6 months of issue of this Statement or as otherwise agreed by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Condition Environmental Management Plan/s to demonstrate that the following environmental outcome will be met: (1) maintain the habitat of the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community (delineated in Figure 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2).	Prepare and submit a Condition Environmental Management Plan to the CEO (or equivalent).	Condition Environmental Management Plan, submitted to the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Before 21 March 2017	CLD	A Condition Environmental Management Plan to demonstrate that the environmental outcome will be met was prepared as Schedule 3 of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 3.2, submitted to the OEPA on 24 February 2017. Version 6 of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was submitted on 14 May 2019.
1037:M8.2	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	The Condition Environmental Management Plan/s shall: (1) specify the environmental outcome to be achieved, as specified in condition 8-1; (2) specify trigger criteria that must provide an early warning that the threshold criteria identified in condition 8-2(3) may not be met; (3) specify threshold criteria to demonstrate compliance with the environmental outcome specified in condition 8-1. Exceedance of the threshold criteria represents non-compliance with these conditions; (4) specify monitoring to determine if trigger criteria and threshold criteria are exceeded; (5) specify trigger level actions to be implemented in the event that trigger criteria have been exceeded; (6) specify threshold contingency actions to be implemented in the event that threshold criteria are exceeded; and (7) provide the format and timing for the reporting of monitoring results against trigger criteria and threshold criteria to demonstrate that condition 8-1 has been met over the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 3.	Prepare a Condition Environmental Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2.	Written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Life of proposal	IP	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6 submitted as noted in 1037:M8.1. Endorsed by the CEO 17 Nov 2020. Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 submitted 20 Dec 2021 awaiting endorsement.
1037:M8.3	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	The Condition Environmental Management Plan/s required by condition 8-1 shall include provisions required by condition 8-2, to address potential impacts on conservation significant stygofauna including from, but not limited to, changes to groundwater levels and quality.	Prepare an Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 8-3.	Written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6 submitted as noted in 1037:M8.1. Endorsed by the CEO 17 Nov 2020. Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 submitted 20 Dec 2021 awaiting endorsement.
1037:M8.4	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO on advice from the Department of Parks and Wildlife that the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s satisfy the requirements of condition 8-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions of the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s; and (2) continue to implement the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the outcomes specified in condition 8-1 has been met.	Implement an endorsed Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6 submitted as noted in 1037:M8.1. and endorsed by the CEO 17 Nov 2020 has been implemented. Refer to the CAR for further information. Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 submitted 20 Dec 2021 awaiting endorsement.
1037:M8.5	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	In the event that monitoring indicates exceedance of threshold criteria specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s, the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within 7 days of the exceedance being identified; (2) implement the threshold contingency actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s within 24 hours and continue implementation of those actions until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the	The CEO will be notified in writing within seven (7) days when it has been identified that the threshold criteria has been exceeded. A report satisfying the requirements of condition 8-5(5) will be submitted to the CEO within 21 days of the initial notification.	Statement of non-compliance. Investigation report. Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6 submitted and endorsed as noted in 1037:M8.1. Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 submitted 20 Dec 2021 awaiting endorsement. During the reporting period, no exceedances of threshold criteria are known to have occurred.

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		threshold criteria are being met and the implementation of the threshold contingency actions is no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the threshold criteria being exceeded; (4) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (5) provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 8-5(1). The report shall include: (a) details of threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the threshold contingency actions implemented, against the threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by condition 8-5(3) and 8-5(4); (d) measures to prevent the threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred; and (f) justification of the threshold remaining, or being adjusted based on better understanding, demonstrating that outcomes will continue to be met.		BHP's Annual Environmental Report.				
1037:M8.6	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s, or (2) shall review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s as and when directed by the CEO.	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan will be reviewed and revised as required, or when directed by the CEO (or equivalent).	Condition Environmental Management Plan submitted to the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Ongoing	C	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6 submitted as noted in 1037:M8.1. Endorsed by the CEO 17 Nov 2020. Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan Version 6.1 submitted 20 Dec 2021 awaiting endorsement.
1037:M8.7	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan/s, which the CEO on advice from the Department of Parks and Wildlife has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2.	Implement the latest endorsed revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See 1037: M8.4
1037:M8.8	Subterranean Fauna- Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community	The proponent shall continue to implement the versions most recently approved by the CEO of the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan/s required by condition 8-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2.	Continue to implement the latest endorsed revision of the Orebody 24/25 Mining Operations Environmental Management Plan until written endorsement of the Condition Environmental Management Plan is received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Written endorsement of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Until Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan is endorsed by the CEO (or delegate).	C	See 1037: M8.4
1037:M9.1	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and rehabilitated in an ecologically sustainable manner, through the implementation of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2.	Implement a Mine Closure Plan, which has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of condition 9-2.	Compliance Assessment Report	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Mine Closure Plan revision 3.1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS notified with the OB32 BWT proposal which supersedes both Revisions 1.4 and 2.0.
1037:M9.2	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	Within six months of the issue of this Statement or as otherwise agreed by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines).	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2.	Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan, submitted to the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Before 21 March 2017	CLD	Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan Version 1.4 was prepared in accordance with the requirements of condition 9-2, 2 and submitted to the OEPA on 13 February 2017.
1037:M9.3	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 at intervals not exceeding three years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO.	Review and revise Mine Closure Plan at intervals not exceeding three years.	Revised Mine Closure Plans	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Official statement Revision 2.0 of the Mine Closure Plan (MCP) was submitted in September 2021 as a triennial update and endorsed by the CEO on 27 June 2022. The last approved version of the plan was Revision 1.4 which was endorsed by DWER in August 2018 as addressing the requirements of Ministerial Statement 1037. Mine Closure Plan revision 3.1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS notified with the OB32 BWT

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								proposal which supersedes both Revisions 1.4 and 2.0.
1037:M9.4	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed in writing satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2.	Implement latest endorsed revision of the Mine Closure Plan.	Revised Mine Closure Plans	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan 3.1
1037:M9.5	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall continue to implement the version most recently approved by the CEO of the Orebody 24/25 Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Closure Plan until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the Mine Closure Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2.	Continue to implement the latest endorsed revision of the Orebody 24/25 Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Closure Plan until written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan is received from the CEO.	Written endorsement of the new Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan received from the CEO (or equivalent).	Overall	Until the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan is endorsed by the CEO (or delegate).	C	See 1037: M9.3 and M9.4.
1037:M10.1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts and risks as a result of implementation of the proposal, the proponent shall contribute funds for the clearing of 'Good to Excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley IBRA subregion, and calculated pursuant to condition 10-2. This funding shall be provided to a government established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.	Contribute required offset funds as directed by the Minister.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report for MS1037 (July 2024 – June 2026), will be submitted by 30 September 2026.
1037:M10.2	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the initiative identified in condition 10-1 shall be paid biennially, the first payment due two years after the issue of this Statement. The amount of funding will be $750 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good to Excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the Eastern Ridge Development Envelope (delineated in Figure 1 and defined by the geographic coordinates in Schedule 2) within the Hamersley IBRA subregion.	Contribute required offset funds as directed by the Minister.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially from 21 September 2018	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report for MS1037 (July 2024 – June 2026), will be submitted by 30 September 2026.
1037:M10.3	Offsets	The 1,910 ha of clearing for the Orebody 25 Extension Project and the Orebody 24/25 Upgrade Project approved under Ministerial Statements 712 and 834 is exempt from the requirement to offset under condition 10-2.	The exemption stipulated in condition 10-3 will be accounted for in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO (or delegate)	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to the OEPA on 7 March 2017, and was approved 13 June 2019.
1037:M10.4	Offsets	Within twelve months of the date of this statement, the proponent shall prepare an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Impact Reconciliation Procedure submitted to CEO (or delegate).	Overall	Before 21 September 2017	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to the OEPA on 7 March 2017, and was approved 13 June 2019.
1037:M10.5	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 10-4 shall: (1) include a methodology to identify clearing of 'Good to Excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley IBRA subregion; (2) require the proponent to submit spatial data identifying areas of 'Good to Excellent' condition native vegetation that has been cleared; (3) include a methodology for calculating the amount of clearing undertaken during each biennial time period; and (4) state dates for the commencement of the biennial time period and for the submission of results of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure, to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Prepare and submit Impact Reconciliation Procedure that satisfies the requirements of condition 10-5.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure received from the CEO (or delegate)	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to the OEPA on 7 March 2017, and was approved 13 June 2019.
1037:M10.6	Offsets	The proponent shall implement the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 10-4.	Implement the endorsed Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report contained within BHP's Annual Environmental Report.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report for MS1037 (July 2024 – June 2026), will be submitted by 30 September 2026.
1037:M10.7	Offsets	The real value of contributions described in condition 10-2 will be maintained through indexation to the Perth Consumer Price Index (CPI), with the first adjustment to be applied to the first contribution.	Contribute required offset funds as directed by the Minister.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Contributions to the Fund, and the Impact Reconciliation Reporting Procedure which guides the process for contributions to the Fund, include these provisions.

3.14 Ministerial Statement 1070

BHP is one of Australia's largest iron ore producers and operates material handling, processing and shipping facilities at Nelson Point and Finucane Island, located either side of the Port Hedland inner harbour. BHPs port facilities handle ore from BHPs mine sites. The Port facility is operated by BHP in accordance with *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964 (WA) and Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964.*

The first shipment of iron ore occurred in 1966 from Mt Goldsworthy Mining Associates which was later acquired by BHP in 1990. In FY2026, BHP Port Hedland Operations shipped 288.73 Mt from the Port Hedland inner harbour.

On 18 December 2017, the Minister for Environment approved Ministerial Statement (MS) 1070: Upgrade of Dust Management at Finucane Island and Nelson Point. This statement specifies that the implementation conditions of MS433 and MS740 no longer apply. The implementation of the proposal is now subject to Part V of the EP Act Licence L4513/1969/18. Compliance against the conditions of Licence L4513/1969/18 is detailed in Section 2.3 of this AER. No further reporting is required under the conditions of MS1070.



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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3.15 Ministerial Statement 1072

3.15.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1072 - Mining Area C (North and South Flank) orebodies for the FY2026 reporting period.

Mining Area C is located approximately 100 kilometres northwest of the town of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. The mine is situated within Mineral Lease 281SA (ML281SA) and Mineral Lease 249SA (ML249SA) and is operated by BHP in accordance with the Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964.

Mining Area C North Flank Operations commenced in August 2003 under Ministerial Statement 491, issued 24 December 1998. A revised proposal was submitted to the Office of the EPA on 20 May 2016 requesting approval of changes to Mining Area C Operations and to include activities at South Flank. The changes were approved under Section 45 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and Ministerial Statement 1072 was issued on 20 February 2018. MS1072 supersedes MS491. The South Flank Project broke ground in late July 2018. In March 2019, BHP submitted a S45C application to amend MS1072 to allow the disposal of surplus water into a new MAR bore field at South Flank Valley and discharge to a drainage line that leads to Pebble Mouse Creek. This submission was approved on 15 January 2020. A 45C Amendment was approved on 17 June 2025, to correct the spatial delineation of “Area A” and “Area B” in Figure 4 of MS1072. The original figure misrepresented the boundaries, which had implications for offset calculations and compliance reporting.

3.15.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The Project is Operational, with campaign mining continuing through conventional open cut mining methods; including drilling, blasting and categorisation of blasted material into iron ore or waste rock. Fixed and mobile ore crushing facilities are utilised through the operation. Ore is blended into stockpiles onsite and railed to BHPs shipping facilities at Port Hedland where it is shipped to overseas customers.

Mine dewatering occurs at North Flank and South Flank. Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) continues to be the main method of mine surplus water discharge. The A Deposit MAR ceased to operate in April 2019 to allow for mine expansion. The Juna Downs MAR became operational in May 2019. The South Flank Valley MAR concluded commissioning on 30 April 2022 and the commissioning report submitted on 7 June 2022. Mine dewatering at South Flank MAR became operational in November 2023.

3.15.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Multiple iron ore mine development, Mining Area C – Northern and Southern Flank, 100 km northwest of Newman
Statement Number	1072
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent’s Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1072 – Mining Area C audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

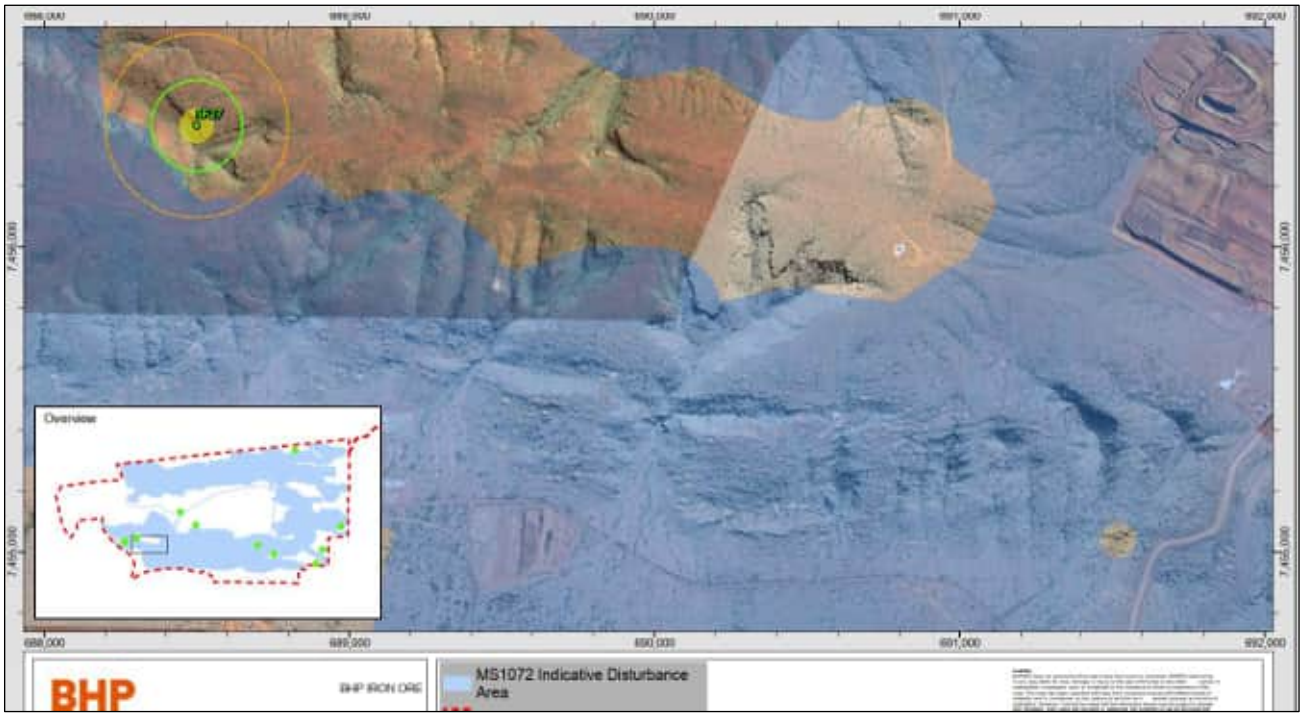
There was one potential non-compliance with Ministerial Statement 1072 identified within the FY2026 reporting period. The details are provided in the following table.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
1072:7-2 – Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Potentially non-compliant			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
30/06/2026			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☐ Yes	☐Reported to DWER verbally ☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date Date	☑ No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			

Condition 7-1 of Ministerial Statement 1072 requires the Proponent to "prepare and submit an Environmental Management Plan (the Plan - Fauna Management Plan) that demonstrates how the Proponent will achieve the following environmental outcomes:
(1) maintain the long-term viability of the Ghost Bat population in the Mining Area C Development Envelope
(2) no disturbance of the eleven (11) Retained High Value Ghost Bat Caves.
Condition 7-2 requires the FMP to specify Outcome/s, Trigger Criteria, Threshold criteria, Monitoring, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, and Reporting to demonstrate that the outcomes in condition 7-1 will be met.
As per the FMP a trigger criterion is exceeded when Zero Ghost Bat records from scats at one or more High Value Ghost Bat Caves in a 12-month period. Bi-monthly monitoring at High Value Retain cave SF27 during FY2026 noted zero ghost bat records, and as such has exceeded the trigger criteria.

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)

Location of Cave SF27



What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

Zero Ghost Bat records from scats at one or more High Value Ghost Bat Caves in a 12-month period. Potentially attributed to increased mining activities.

What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

The proponent has implemented the following actions:

- Due to recent trigger exceedances at caves in proximity to SF27 all known Ghost Bat Caves around SF27 are currently monitored. The Proponent is currently reviewing the Ghost Bat Monitoring Program to determine if additional contextual caves will be added to the monitoring program.

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?

As stated above the proponent is currently reviewing the Ghost Bat Monitoring Program to determine additional contextual caves to be added to the monitoring program for FY2027.

Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:

N/A

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.15.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1072 and covers:

- Cultural Heritage Management Plan (endorsed by DWER);
- Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (endorsed by DWER);
- Fauna Management Plan (Ghost Bat) (endorsed by DWER);
- Greenhouse Gas Reporting;
- Mine Closure Plan (endorsed by DWER);
- Impact Reconciliation Procedure (endorsed by DWER);
- Ministerial Statement 1072 Authorised extent;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Cultural Heritage Management Plan

The Cultural Heritage Management Plans continue to function as the primary mechanism for management of cultural heritage matters at Vista Oriental, Grand Central, Highway, Packsaddle 1-4 and North Flank A-F deposits at South Flank and Mining Area C. BHP and representatives of the Banjima People participate in ongoing consultation through the Banjima Heritage Advisory Council, and the heritage sub-committee, in relation to BHPs mining operations at Mining Area C and South Flank.

In FY2026, there have been zero reportable incidents identified against the requirements of the Plan. The BHP Heritage Department reports the current status of heritage sites which BHP has legal consent to disturb.

Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (CPWRMP)

Version 4.1 of the CPWRMP which was endorsed by DWER on 6 October 2021 was implemented for the entirety of FY2026. No changes were made to the plan in the FY2026 period.

Weather

Total rainfall received at the Newman Aerodrome for the reporting period (July 2025 to June 2026) was 144.4mm, 167.8mm below the annual long-term mean, and 205mm less than FY2025.

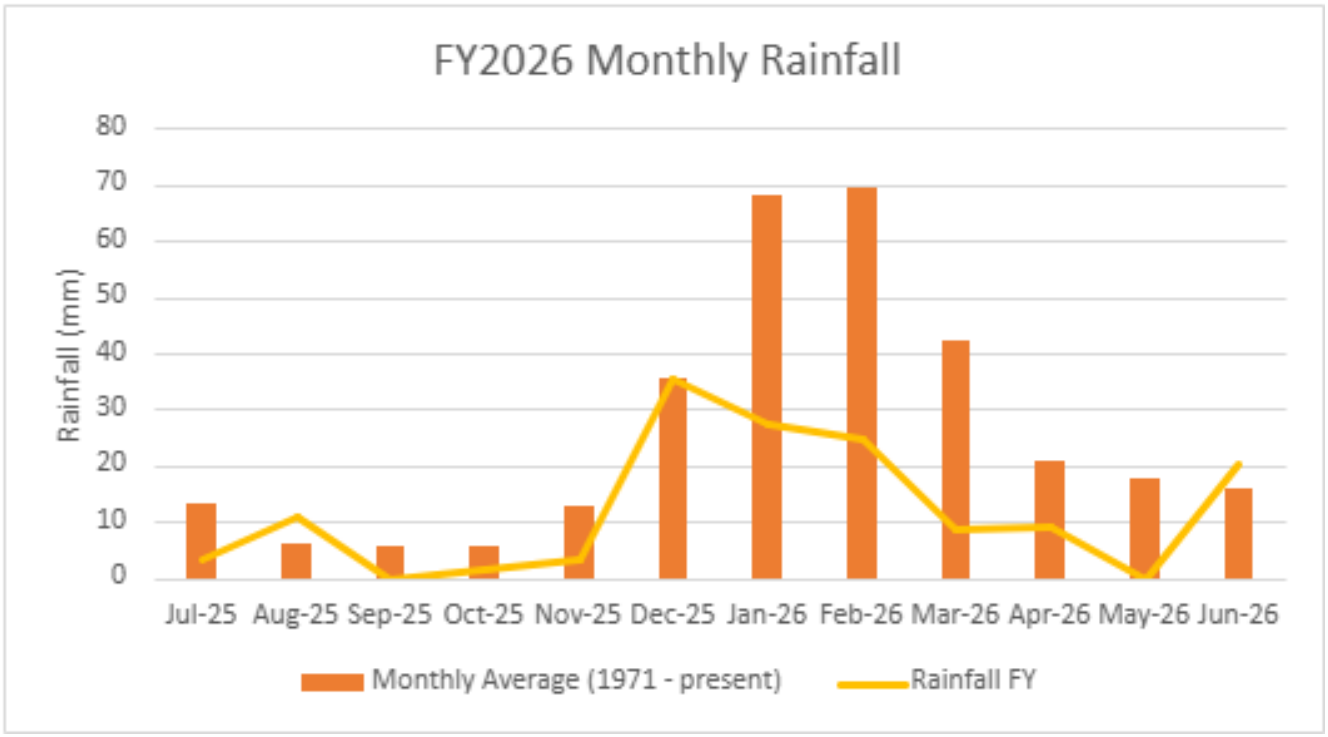


Figure 3-2 FY2025 monthly rainfall at Newman Aerodrome, station number 007176

CPWRMP Table 7: Outcome-based components Coondewanna Flats

Reinjection at the Juna Downs MAR, located to the north of Coondewanna Flats was commissioned on 8 February 2019 and became operational on 30 May 2019. Monthly groundwater level monitoring occurred throughout the reporting year at sites GWB0039M, HCF0032M, HCF0023M, HCF0042M and HCF0045M.

Water Quantity – Groundwater level mounding

During the FY2026 reporting period, groundwater levels at prescribed bores did not exceed trigger or threshold criteria at GWB0039M, HCF0032M, HCF0023M, HCF0042M and HCF0045M as stipulated in the CPWRMP. Table 3-43 includes the results from each monitoring location.

Table 3-43 Groundwater level mounding - Coondewanna Flats

Date	GWB0039M (mbgl)				HCF0032M (mbgl)	HCF0023M (mbgl)	HCF0042M (mbgl)	HCF0045M (mbgl)
CPWRMP Trigger	Groundwater level rises to 15 mbgl							
CPWRMP Threshold	Groundwater level rises to 7 mbgl							
Jul-25	22.10	20.75	22.64	25.70	Dry			
Aug-25	22.10	20.70	22.63	25.69				
Sep-25	22.09	20.70	22.66	25.68				
Oct-25	22.11	20.70	22.68	25.69				
Nov-25	22.17	20.70	22.75	25.70				
Dec-25	22.21	20.70	22.84	25.73				
Jan-26	22.44	20.71	23.07	25.76				
Feb-26	22.66	20.80	23.33	25.77				
Mar-26	22.82	20.92	23.55	25.75				
Apr-26	22.96	20.99	23.78	25.75				
May-26	23.09	21.01	23.93	25.88				
Jun-26	23.20	21.01	24.06	25.82				

Water Quantity - Groundwater level drawdown

Overall, groundwater levels across the Flats have generally followed seasonal patterns, with no evidence of a sustained increase in depth to groundwater and only minor fluctuations observed since the end of the baseline period.

Table 3-44 Ground water level drawn - Coondewanna Flats

	GWB0039M	HCF0032M
CPWRMP Trigger	<24.85 mbgl	
CPWRMP Threshold	<26.60 mbgl	
Jul-25	22.10	20.75
Aug-25	22.10	20.70
Sep-25	22.09	20.70
Oct-25	22.11	20.70
Nov-25	22.17	20.70
Dec-25	22.21	20.70
Jan-26	22.44	20.71
Feb-26	22.66	20.80
Mar-26	22.82	20.92
Apr-26	22.96	20.99
May-26	23.09	21.01
Jun-26	23.20	21.01

Tree health of indicator species – Groundwater level drawdown monitoring of tree health

A statistically significant canopy decline (defined as Crown Condition Score (CCS) compared to baseline condition of monitoring trees at CF15 occurred in October 2025 and April/May 2026 over five consecutive monitoring periods. Following the October 2025 exceedance, AQ2 was engaged by BHP to investigate the canopy decline and to reassess the hydrogeological conceptualisation of Coondewanna Flats. Evidence from the Coondewanna Ecohydrology Assessments 2015 and 2025 conducted by AQ2 outline the conceptual ecohydrological model for Coondewanna Flats has not fundamentally changed between 2015 and 2025. The assessment indicates E.victrix communities on the Flats are not groundwater dependent; rather, they rely on vadose zone water, replenished by rainfall or runoff events. Consequently, the declining vegetation health for CF15 is attributed to climatic factors and not BHP activity and therefore, was not recorded as a non-compliance.

The April/May 2026 monitoring period recorded the fifth consecutive statistically significant canopy decline (defined as Crown Condition Score (CCS) compared to baseline condition at CF15.

Mean CCS for E. victrix trees in April/May 2026 ranged from 4.3 (CF15) to 6.2 (CF20), indicating generally moderate to good tree health (Figure 3-3). The lowest mean CCS of 4.3 was recorded at CF15, this was the lowest mean CCS recorded since monitoring started, decreasing by 0.1 points since October 2025, and was significantly different from the baseline mean. As per the Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (CPWRMP) (BHP 2021), the threshold criterion at site CF15 has been exceeded in the FY2026 reporting period. There has been a statistically significant canopy decline over four consecutive

monitoring periods at CF15 (December 2023, April 2024, April 2025 and October 2025), however, following the investigation, the decline has been found not attributable to BHP activities but to natural changes. It is noted that the 2024 post-dry season field visit (October/November 2025) was not able to be carried out due to weather conditions. In addition, the baseline mean for CF15 is considerably higher compared to other sites across the Flats, reflecting generally healthier tree condition during the baseline period. Due to the low variation in tree health observed during this period, the resulting control limit is therefore relatively conservative.

Table 3-45 Summary of stem cross-sectional area for Eucalyptus victrix monitoring trees at baseline (2016 to 2018) and the FY2026 monitoring period.

Site	Period	Mean stem cross-sectional area (m^2)	Standard deviation (±)	Percentage change from baseline (%)
CF12	Baseline (2016 to 2018)	0.23	0.25	NA
	October 2025	0.27	0.29	18.9
	April/May 2026	0.28	0.31	25.4
CF15	Baseline (2016 to 2018)	0.08	0.09	NA
	October 2025	0.07	0.04	-7.7
	April/May 2026	0.09	0.09	15.5
CF17	Baseline (July 2020)	0.17	0.17	NA
	October 2025	0.19	0.19	6.9
	April/May 2026	0.18	0.17	1.9
CF20	Baseline (2016 to 2018)	0.16	0.15	NA
	October 2025	0.17	0.16	4.6
	April/May 2026	0.17	0.16	8.6

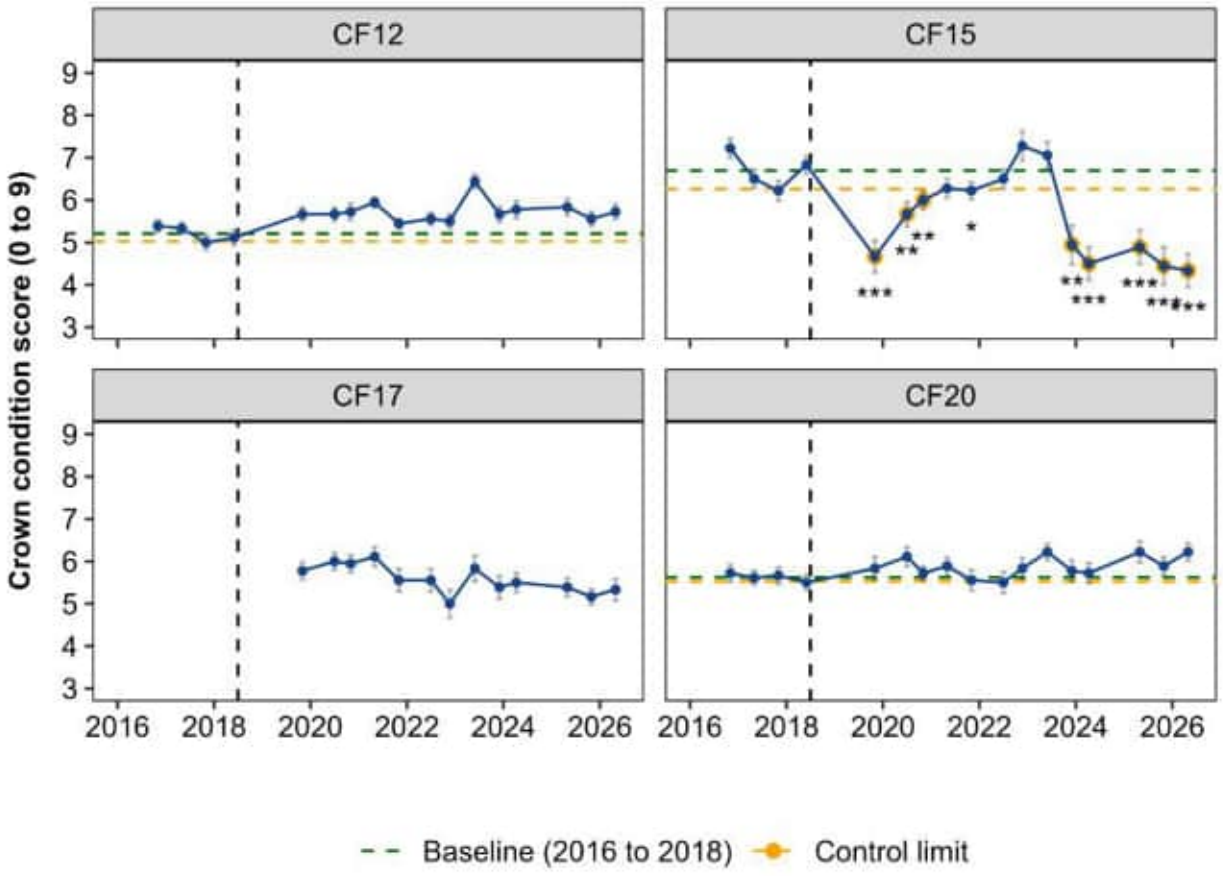


Figure 3-3 Crown condition score (0 to 9) of *Eucalyptus victrix* from November 2016 to April 2026
Error bars indicate standard error. Significant difference from the baseline mean is indicated by asterisks (*).
A baseline mean (dashed green line) and control limit (dashed orange line) is not shown for site CF17 as this site was not monitored during the baseline period (2016 to 2018).

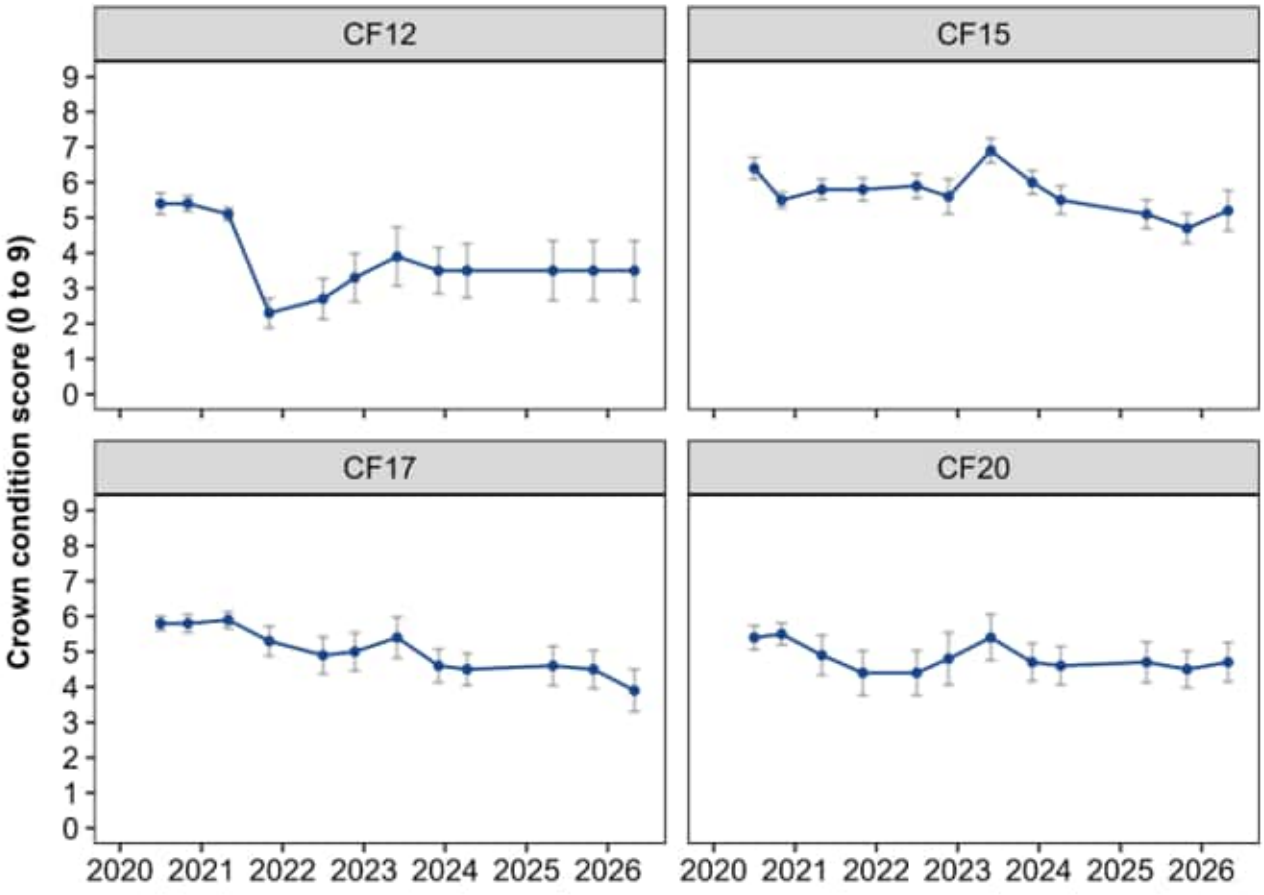


Figure 3-4 Crown condition score (CCS) (0 to 9) of *Acacia aptaneura* from July 2020 to April 2026.
Error bars indicate standard error (n = 10). Note that no data are available for the 2024 post-dry season survey as this survey did not go ahead.

Mean ΨPD (pre-dawn Leaf Water Potential (LWP)) values for E. victrix in April/May 2026 ranged from -3.2 MPa (CF15) to -1.9 MPa (CF12 and CF20) across sites (Figure 3-5). Compared to the previous monitoring in October 2025 (end-of-dry season), mean ΨPD values for E. victrix decreased across all sites, with the largest decrease of 0.6 MPa at CF12. A decrease in ΨPD indicates increased water stress and a reduced capacity to rehydrate overnight and is likely due to reduced access to water, likely associated with well below average wet season rainfall.

Mean ΨMD (Midday Leaf Water potential) values in April/May 2026 ranged from -4.6 MPa (CF15) to -2.6 MPa (CF17) (Figure 3-5). Mean ΨMD increased by more than 0.5 MPa at three sites (CF12, CF17, and CF20) but decreased by 0.9 MPa at CF15. All ΨPD and ΨMD values were within historical variation, except for ΨMD at CF15 and CF17, which decreased at CF15 to the lowest recorded value across all sites and increased at CF17 to the highest recorded value at this site. It is noted that the continuing decline of both ΨPD and ΨMD at CF15 indicates increasing water stress at this site, with little to no improvement following the drier than average 2025-2026 wet season. Overall, these results suggest that E. victrix remains under water stress across all sites, despite some improvements in ΨMD likely associated with cooler midday conditions. Severe water stress remains at CF15, possibly related to reduced access to water.

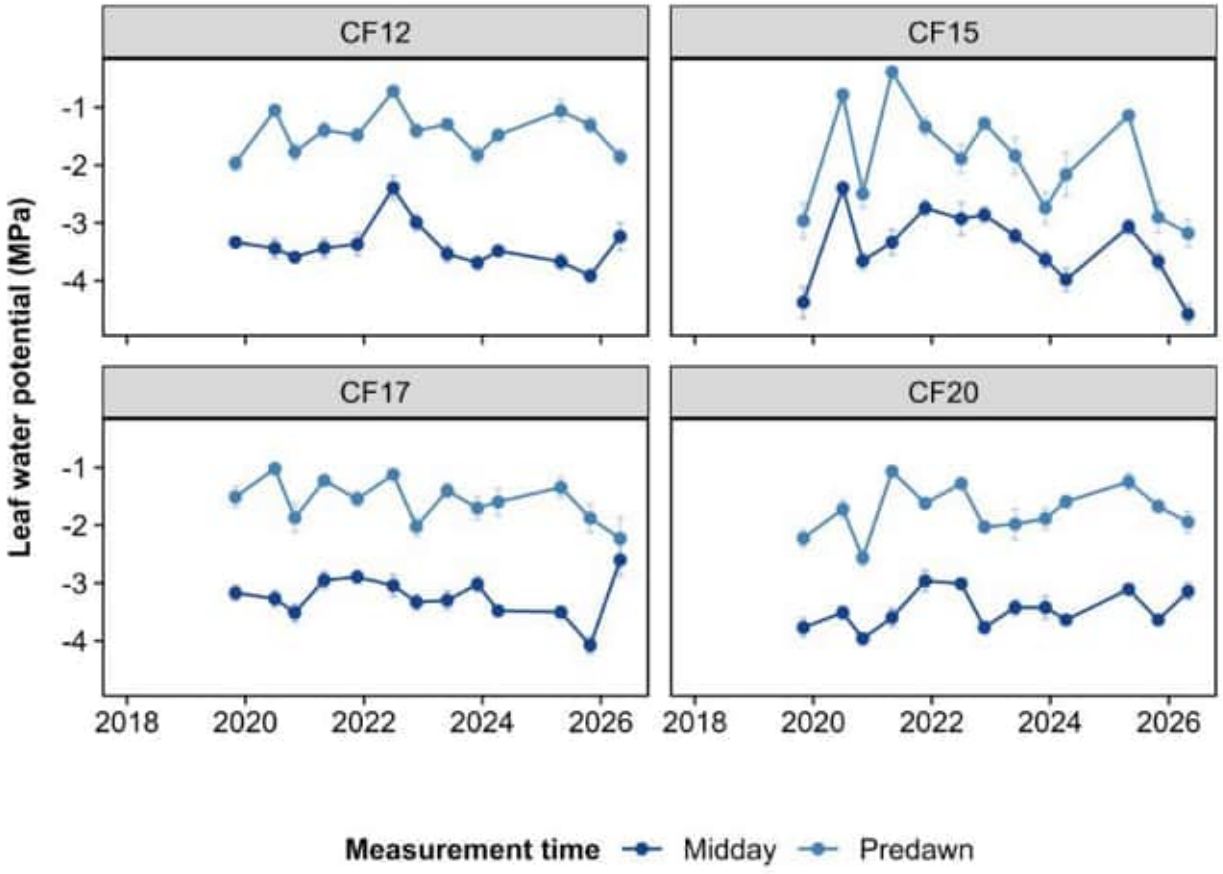


Figure 3-5 Mean LWP of *Eucalyptus victrix* at predawn and midday from October 2019 to April 2026.
Note that no data exists for the 2024 post-dry season survey as this survey did not go ahead.

Mean ΨPD values for A. aptaneura in April/May 2026 ranged from -8.9 MPa (CF12) to -4.4 MPa (CF20) across sites (Figure 3-6). All sites showed an increase in mean ΨPD and ΨMD for A. aptaneura, since October 2025, except CF12, that remained similar. Historically, seasonal fluctuations in mean ΨPD for A. aptaneura have been much more pronounced at CF15 than other sites across the Flats, indicating a strong sensitivity to changes in soil moisture availability and groundwater changes at this site. However, the mean ΨPD value in October 2025 represented the lowest mean ΨPD value recorded across all sites and across the entire monitoring period. This may be indicative of very low soil water availability owing to rapid surface drying or reduced infiltration at this site. Whether this is related to altered surface water inflows, given the differences observed between sites, remains uncertain. Further investigation would be needed to assess potential changes in hydrological inputs into this area. Nonetheless, A. aptaneura are well adapted to arid environments and can maintain physiological function under much lower ΨLEAF values than E. victrix.

Mean ΨMD values of A. aptaneura in April/May 2026 ranged from -9.3 MPa (CF12) to -5.8 MPa (CF20) across sites (Figure 3-6). Similar to ΨPD, the ΨMD values also increased across all sites since the last field visit. As expected, the ΨPD and ΨMD values for A. aptaneura were lower than for E. victrix, reflecting the shallower rooting depth of this species and therefore a lack of access to deeper water within the vadose zone and/or groundwater. This increase was likely a reflection of cooler conditions and possibly some recent recharge of surface water availability.

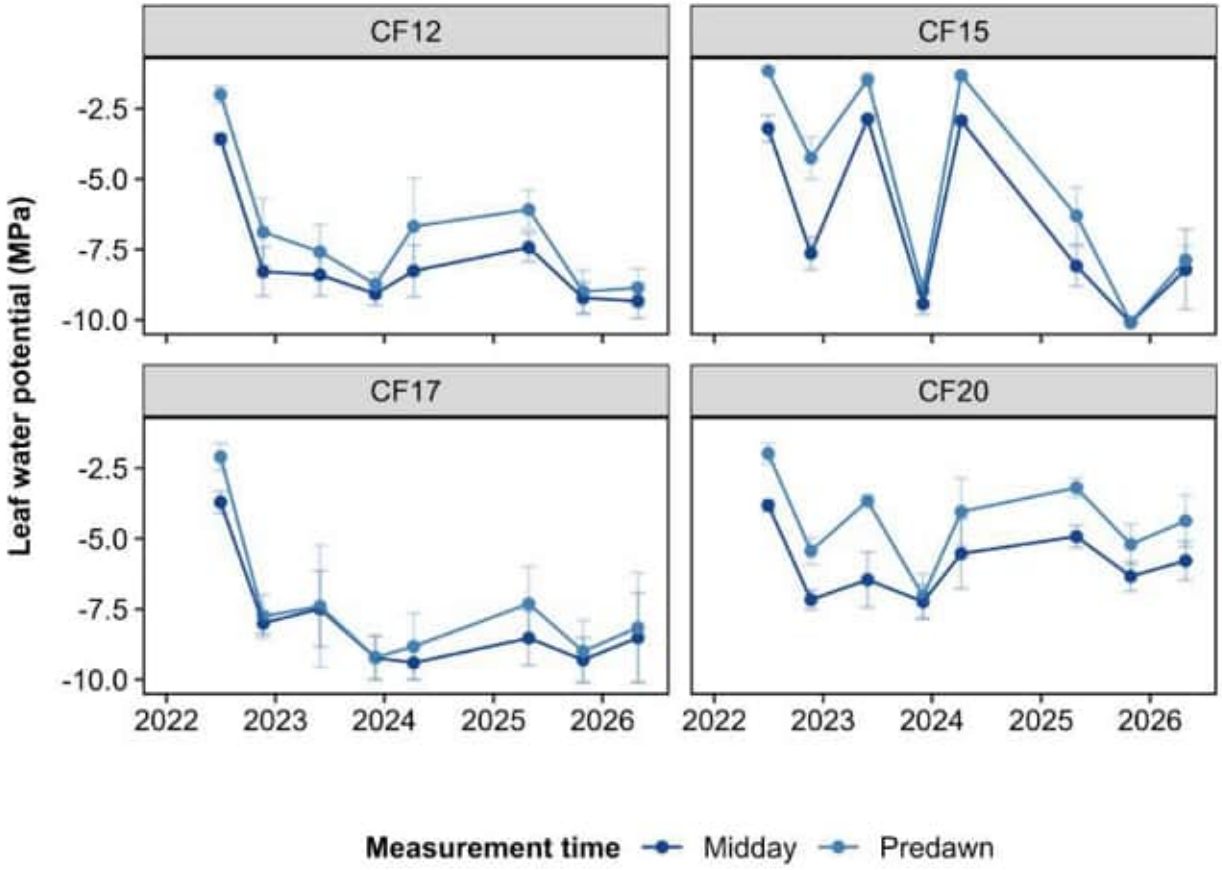


Figure 3-6 Mean LWP of *Acacia aptaneura* (mulga) at predawn and midday from June 2022 to April 2026.
Note that no data is available for the 2024 post-dry season survey as this survey did not go ahead.

Remote sensing analyses of UAV imagery indicated that total Projected Foliage Cover has declined at all sites between June 2021 and April 2026 (Figure 3-7). The largest decline in total PFC was at CF15 (-53.2%) followed by CF17 (-29.5%). These changes likely largely reflect fluctuations in understorey (grass) cover and are likely to be strongly influenced by the below-average wet season rainfall limiting seasonal growth of annual grasses and other understorey species in 2026. However, the PFC of vegetation >2 m in height also decreased at all sites since June 2021, indicating that overstorey species have also declined over this period. The largest decline in PFC of strata >2 m was at CF12 (-14.5%) followed by CF17 (-5.1%). However, the magnitude of these changes does not suggest a notable decline in PFC of vegetation >2 m. On-ground CCS measurements at CF12 in April/May 2026 showed tree health was significantly above the baseline mean. As such, the reduction in PFC of vegetation > 2 m at CF12 likely represents a minor decline in mid to upper canopy cover, rather than a loss of target vegetation.

Mean MSAVI for vegetation >2 m was negative at CF15 and CF17 in April/May 2026 relative to June 2021 (Figure 3-8), with the greatest decline observed at CF15, indicating a decline in vegetation condition. This is consistent with visual tree health observations at CF15, where a marked decrease in CCS was recorded over the same period (Figure 3-4).

Both the acute and chronic water stress indices have been mostly negative since early 2025 (Figure 3-9), indicating sustained water stress, with only brief improvements around August–September 2025 due to slightly above-average rainfall. However, continued declines through the 2025–2026 wet season suggest that below-average rainfall and high summer temperatures intensified water stress. Overall, current conditions are similar to the elevated stress observed during the 2023–2024 period, which was also linked to reduced rainfall.

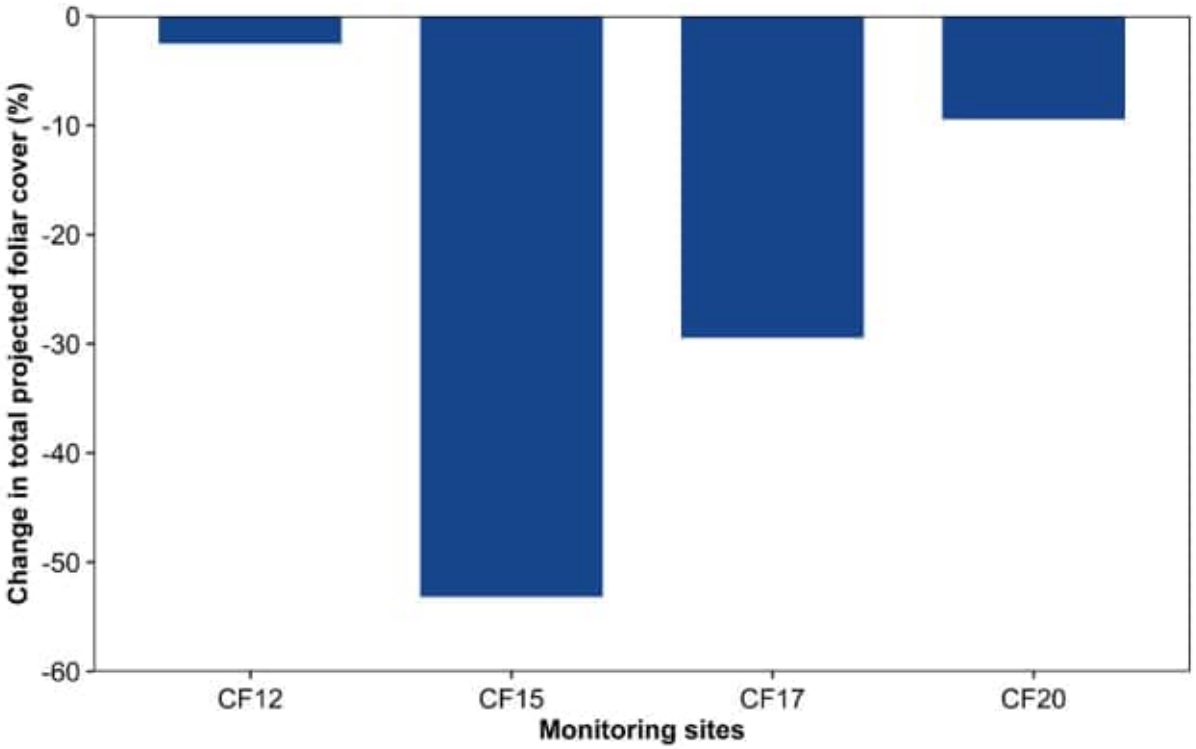


Figure 3-7 Change in total projected foliar cover from June 2021 to April 2026 across monitoring sites within the Coondewanna Flats.

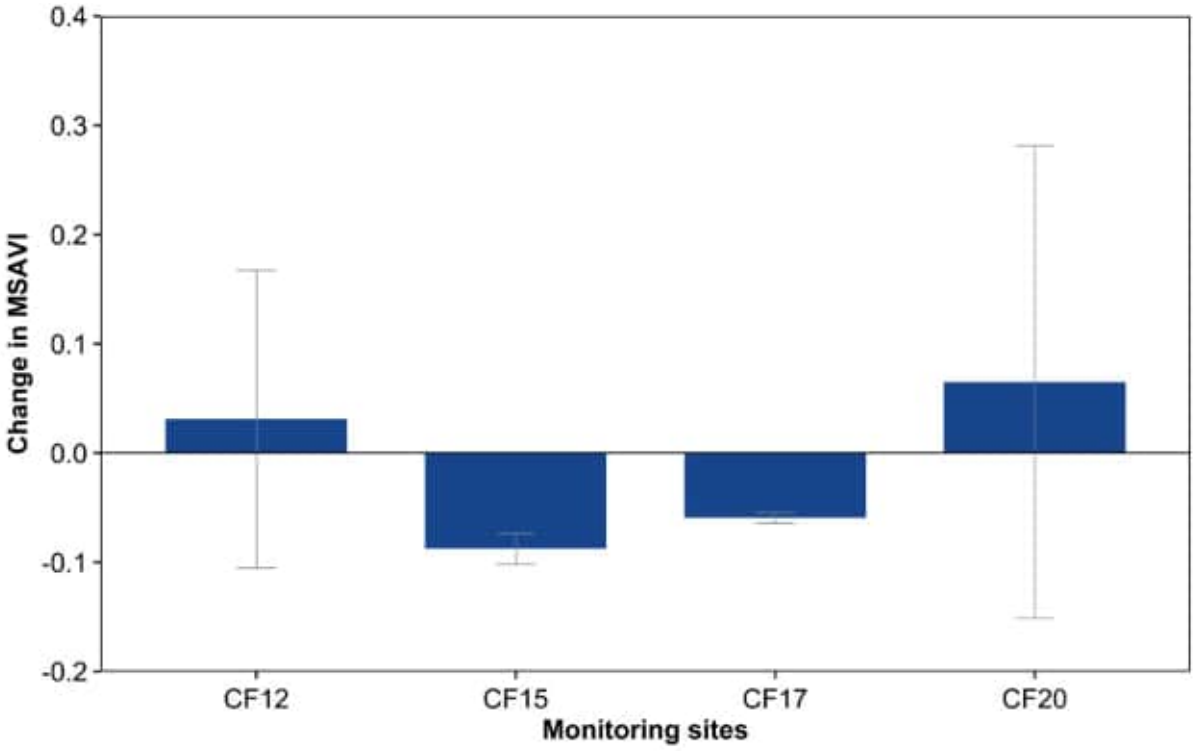


Figure 3-8 Change in mean Modified Soil-Adjusted Vegetation Index (MSAVI) of the >2 m height stratum from June 2021 to April 2026 across monitoring sites within the Coondewanna Flats.

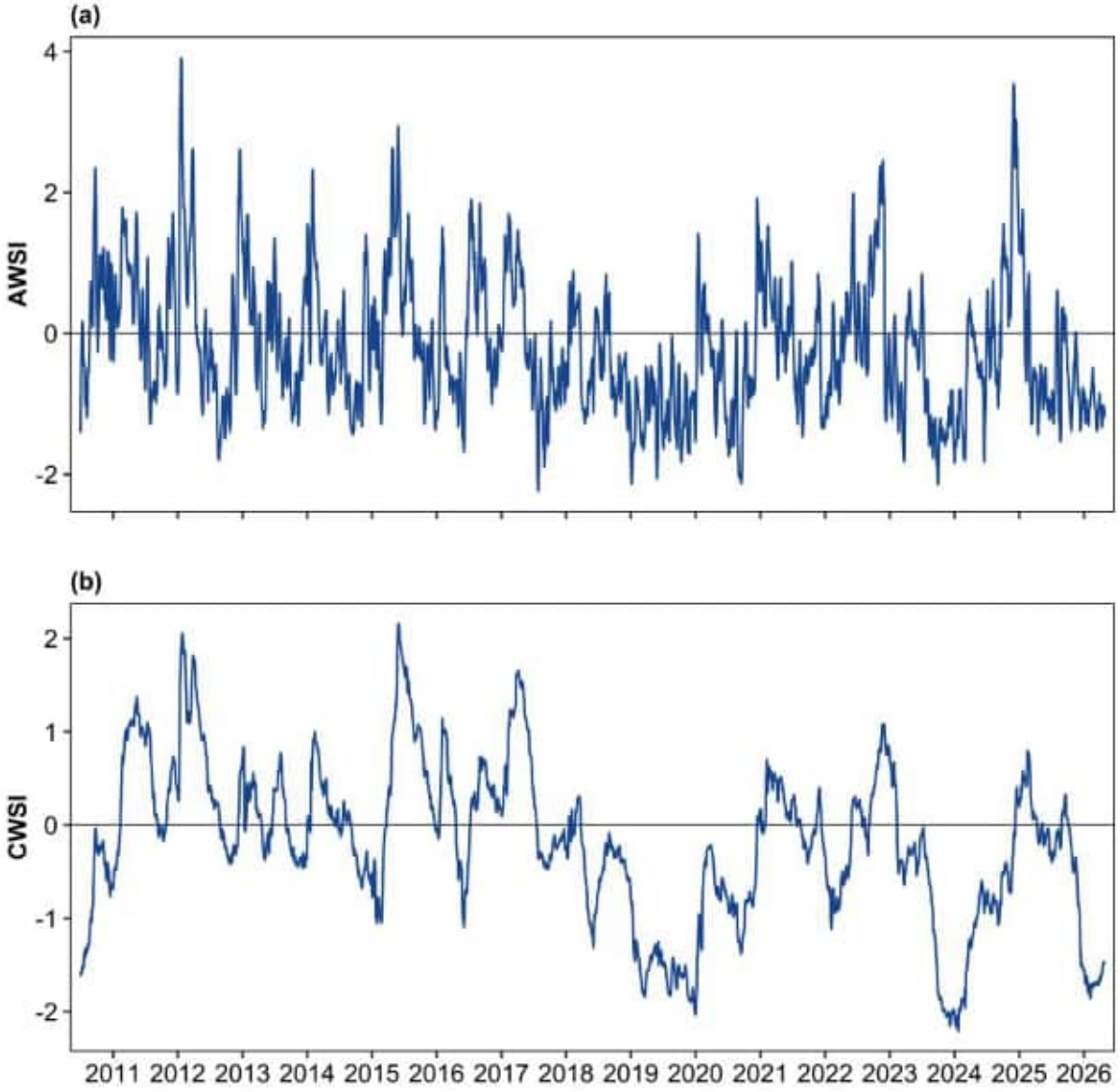


Figure 3-9 Change in the Acute Water Stress Index (AWSI) (a) and the Chronic Water Stress Index (CWSI) (b) from July 2010 to April 2026 (Queensland Government 2025).
A value of 0 indicates no difference from the long-term mean. Positive values indicate less stressful conditions than the long-term mean. Negative values indicate more stressful conditions than the long-term mean.

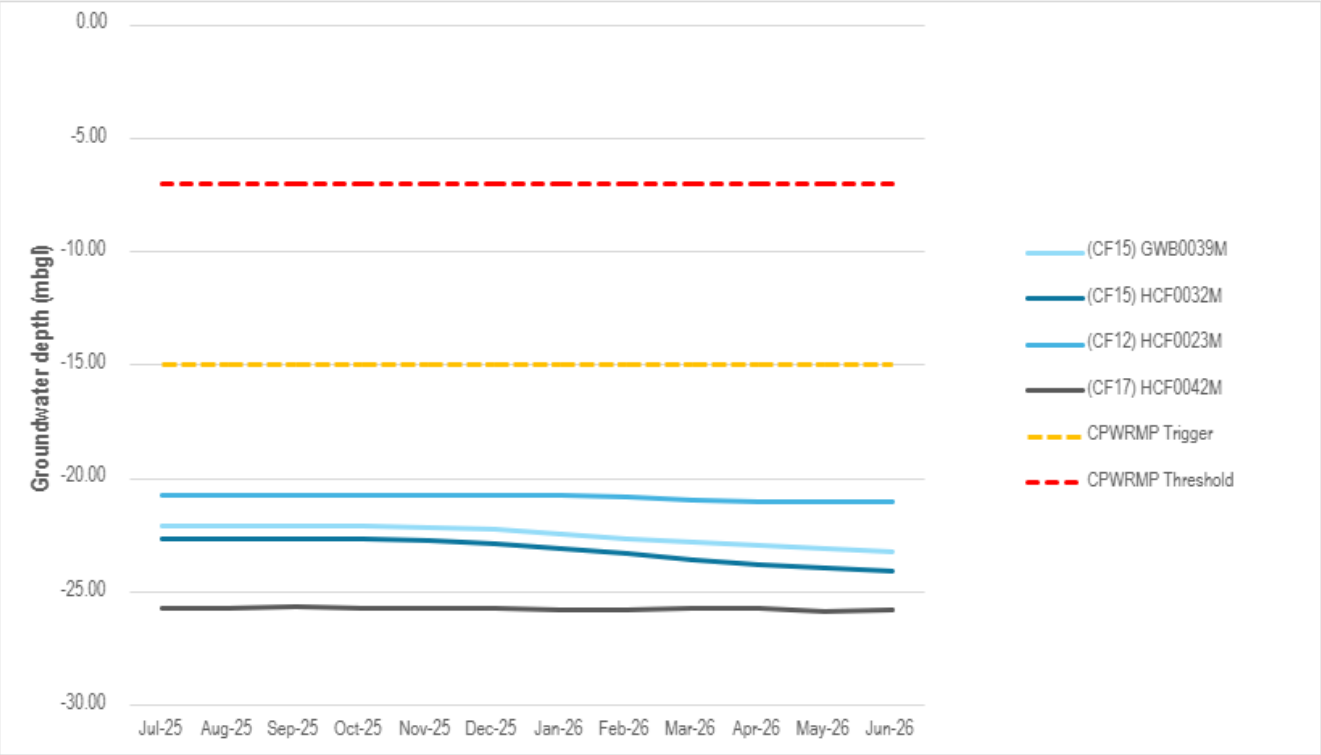


Figure 3-10 Control charts showing groundwater levels in monitoring bores within Coondewanna Flats in relation to groundwater mounding trigger and threshold criteria.
On-ground monitoring sites are labelled with the corresponding monitoring bore. Groundwater levels are plotted as negative values to assist visual representation, with 0 indicating ground level.

No Eucalyptus victrix tree deaths attributed to water stress from dewatering or reinjection were recorded during the FY2026 reporting period.

Changes to Surface Water Flow Regime – water in Lake Robinson outside of natural flow events

Surplus water from Mining Area C Operations is discharged into two natural drainage lines located in the north-west of the Development Envelope, the West Packsaddle Tributary North and West Packsaddle Tributary South. To prevent impact to the natural surface water regime at Lake Robinson, surface water attributed to Mining Area C discharge is managed to prevent it from reaching the Trigger and Thresholds criteria as outlined in CPWRMP. The Early Warning Point 'Trigger' and Wetting Front Limit 'Threshold' is located 4 kilometres and 7.5 kilometres upstream from Coondewanna Flats Priority Ecological Community (PEC). Surplus discharge water is regulated via the Packsaddle Infiltration Ponds (Western, Central and Eastern) and if required water can be diverted to either the northern or southern drainage line to limit an encroaching wetting front extent.

Gauging stations located at the Early Warning Point (SCPH0009) and Wetting Front Limit (SCPH0010) continuously monitor (via telemetry) relative water levels for the presence of water from stream flow events. Refer to Table 3-46 for the relative water levels (mRL) at both the Early Wetting Point and Wetting Front Limit gauging stations from July 2025 - June 2026. Refer to Figure 3-11 for the relative water levels (mRL) at both the Early Wetting Point and Wetting Front Limit gauging stations from July 2025 - June 2026. As shown in Figure 3-11, SCPH0009 was offline for most of the last quarter of FY2026 due to a fault. As SCPH0010 is downstream of SCPH0009 and SCPH0010 did not record the presence of a significant amount of water, it is not expected that the fault had a material impact.

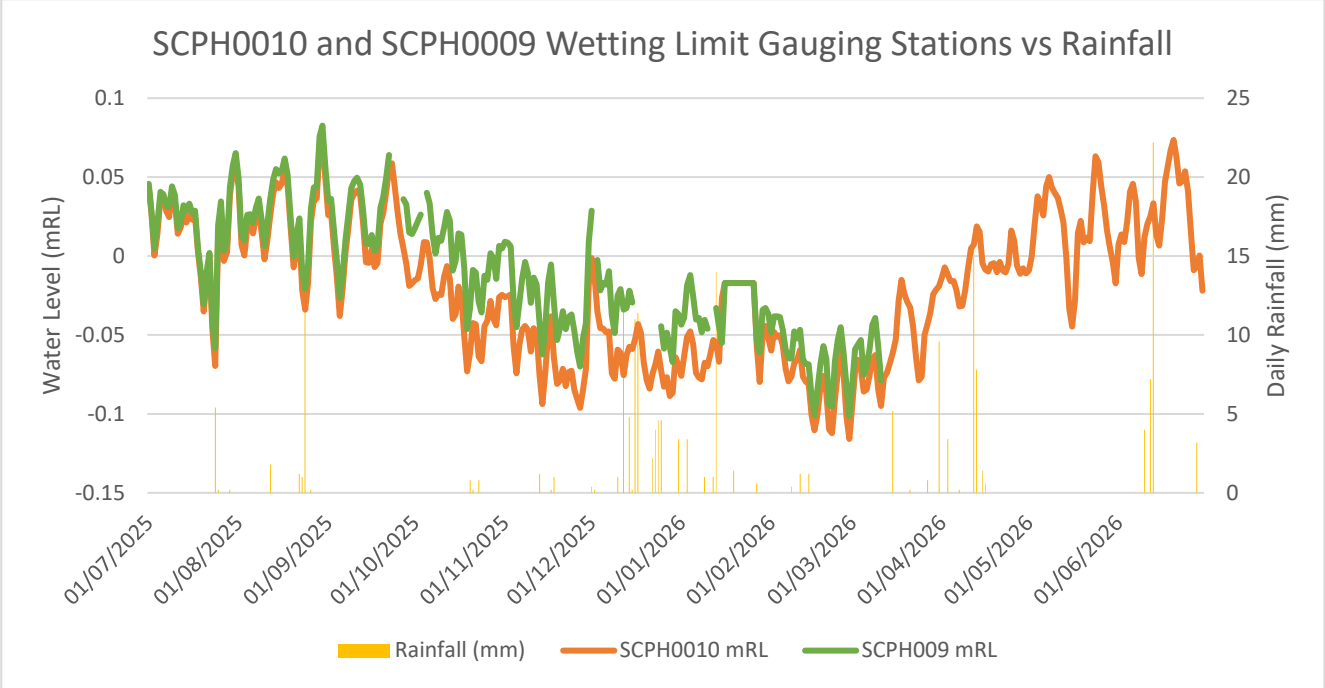


Figure 3-11 SCPH0010 and SCPH0009 Wetting Limit Gauging Stations vs Rainfall FY2026

CPWRMP Table 8: Management-based components Weeli Wolli Spring

Management actions, targets and monitoring for baseline understanding

An update of the hydrological conceptual model is required every 3 years from date of publication of MS 1072 (20 February 2018). The last hydrological conceptual model update occurred on 06 December 2024.

Groundwater level monitoring continues at the locations outlined in Table 8 and Appendix 1, Table 2 of the CPWRMP (Table 3-46).

Table 3-46 Groundwater levels for baseline understanding – Weeli Wolli Spring

Sample Point ID	Weeli Wolli Springs FY2025 (mbgl)											
	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26
Early Warning												
GWB0015M	23.84	23.93	24.02	24.16	24.22	24.32	24.36	24.32	24.35	24.40	23.84	24.38
HEPX0001M	88.59	88.19	88.35	88.53	89.02	89.05	89.34	89.41	89.94	90.04	88.59	90.84
At Receptor												
GWB0016DM	4.73	4.73	4.76	4.89	4.82	4.99	5.09	5.09	5.16	5.09	4.93	4.88
GWB0016SM	4.52	4.44	4.38	4.69	4.73	4.97	5.08	5.07	5.09	5.05	4.91	4.70
GWB0017DM	3.58	3.42	3.31	3.24	3.14	3.18	3.10	3.08	3.07	2.94	2.88	2.84
GWB0017SM	3.17	3.30	3.40	3.45	3.61	3.68	3.66	3.65	3.60	3.63	3.63	3.56
GWB0018DM	7.68	7.67	7.72	7.79	7.84	7.87	7.87	7.88	7.90	7.88	7.76	7.28
GWB0018SM	7.57	7.54	7.55	7.59	7.62	7.63	7.63	7.67	7.66	7.63	7.53	7.48
GWB0032DM	5.33	5.22	5.31	5.38	5.40	5.49	5.49	5.55	5.44	5.39	5.33	5.30

Management actions, targets and monitoring during operation

Management Targets

Water Level Changes

Weeli Wolli Springs pathway bores continue to respond as per expectations. It is not possible to determine with observed cumulative drawdown the “actual” proportion attributable to one proponent or another.

Establish Monitoring Sites

On ground monitoring sites at Weeli Wolli Spring PEC were established in October 2021 in accordance with the requirements of the CPWRMP (V4.0). Five Digital Canopy Photography (DCP) sites with ten sample trees at each site were set up throughout the spring. Each tree had two photo points selected. All photos were taken with a Nikon D5600 in automatic mode, with a 35 mm fixed lens and UV filter. The camera was attached to a monopod using an L-shaped bracket, with the lens at a fixed distance of 1.47 metres above the ground. Following each survey, canopy photos are processed via methodology by Macfarlane et al. (2014). Imagery is converted to the canopy cover measures crown cover and foliage cover (CC and FC) and are reported as means with standard error (SE) per site and phase.

A total of 22 floristic quadrats (10 x 10 m or 20 x 5 m) were established and data collected for both the DCP and floristic quadrats. On ground attribute monitoring using an adapted methodology by Souter et al., 2009 was set up and collected at each DCP site. Remote sensing methodology was set up and data capture commenced in March 2022. Manned aerial imagery was collected over Weeli Wolli Spring a using 4 band (Red, Green, Blue, Near-Infrared), Phase One IXU-RS-1000 sensor with 70 mm focal lens to capture imagery at high resolution.

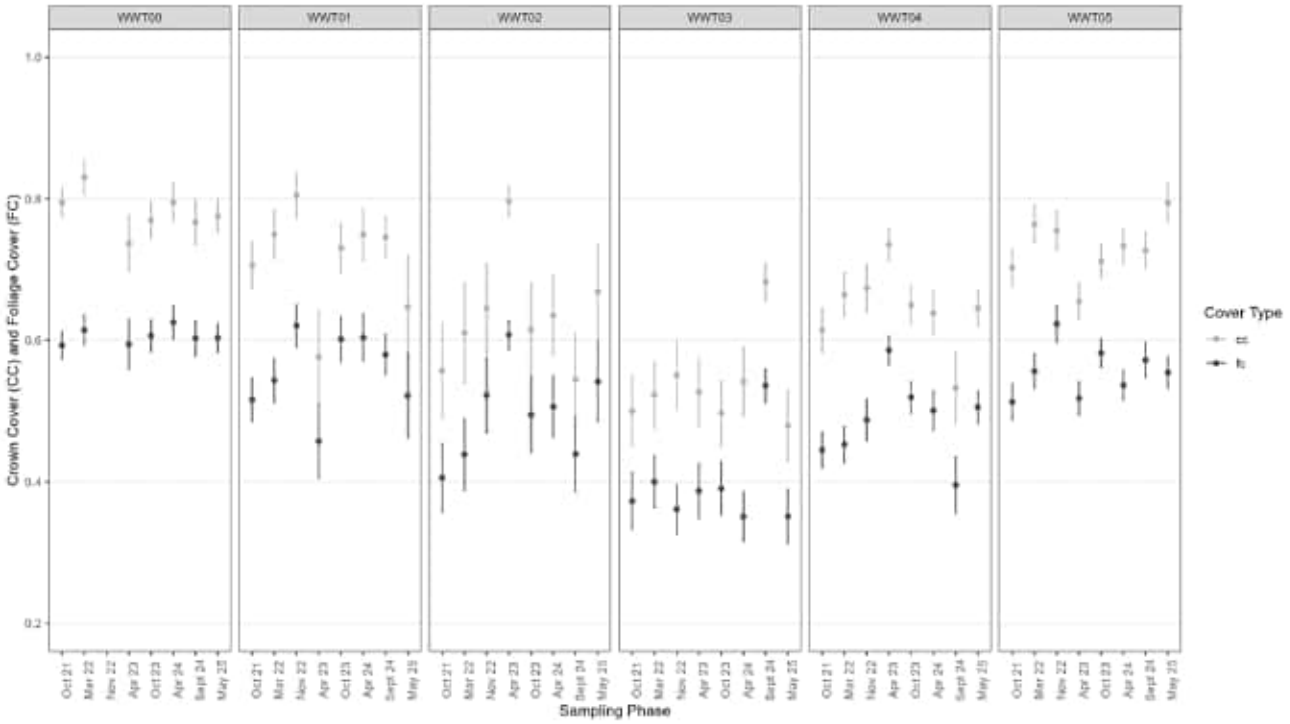


Figure 3-12 Mean Crown Cover (CC) ± SE and Foliage Cover (FC) ± SE of *Melaleuca argentea* by site and sampling phase (10/2021 to 05/2025)
Data for Weeli Wolli Spring are Sites WWT01-WWT02 and Bens Oasis WWT00

Monitoring

Monitoring-Riparian Vegetation

Biannual riparian vegetation monitoring at Weeli Wolli Spring PEC (including Ben's Oasis) was undertaken during the reporting period in accordance with the requirements of the CPWRMP. Monitoring was conducted in the dry season of 2025 from 11 to 16 September 2025 and in the wet season of 2026 from 19 to 23 May 2026.

Management actions, targets and monitoring during BWT mining of R Deposit

R Deposit dewatering has been identified as a potential impact pathway to Weeli Wolli Spring. Nearby Hope Downs has commenced dewatering, lowering groundwater levels. As dewatering in R Deposit has not yet commenced, BHP considers that the outcome:

> *'no reduction in the extent of the Weeli Wolli Spring occurrence of the Weeli Wolli Spring Priority Ecological Community attributable to the Revised Proposal'*

has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period.

CPWRMP Table 9: Management-based components Ben's Oasis

Management actions, targets and monitoring for baseline understanding

An update of the hydrological conceptual model is required every 3 years from date of publication of MS 1072 (20 February 2018). The last hydrological conceptual model update occurred on 06 December 2024.

Groundwater level monitoring for conceptual modelling continues at the locations outlined in Table 9 and Schedule 1, Table 3 of the CPWRMP.

Table 3-47 Groundwater levels for baseline understanding – Ben's Oasis

Sample Point ID	Ben's Oasis											
	FY2026 (mbgl)											
	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26
Early Warning												
HDD0004M	39.87	40.04	40.27	40.48	40.72	40.87	41.02	41.16	41.32	41.30	41.37	41.64
HDD0003M	45.75	45.94	46.08	46.24	46.42*	46.61*	46.77*	46.93*	47.13*	47.33*	47.51*	47.60*
At Receptor												
HDD0001M	19.18	19.32	19.50	19.73	19.98	19.36	20.24	20.42	20.56	20.55	20.47	20.55

* Manual dip

Conceptual model refinement is ongoing as information through data sharing arrangements is made available and broader regional drilling campaigns produce usable data. Vista Oriental sub-deposit A commenced dewatering in November 2023 and is assessed as having no impact to Ben's Oasis. Dewatering activities at Vista Oriental sub-deposits Vista C and D commenced in November of 2025 and is currently assumed to have no impact on Ben's Oasis water levels, however further investigations are underway to confirm these hypotheses.

Additional monitoring bores are planned for ML249SA to enhance the pathway-receptor network to the extent of BHP tenure.

Due to falling water levels in the vicinity of Ben's Oasis (Northeast of the Dyke) BHP has taken the decision to re-drill the existing monitoring bores HDD0001 – HDD0004) to a greater depth, and to install with EWS telemetry, ensuring ongoing monitoring of the area is maintained into the future.

Management actions, targets and monitoring during operation

Management Targets

Water Level Change

Ben's Oasis pathway bores continue to respond as per expectations. It is not possible to determine with observed cumulative drawdown the "actual" proportion attributable to one proponent or another.

Establish Monitoring Sites

On ground monitoring sites at the second occurrence of Weeli Wolli Spring PEC (Ben's Oasis) were established in October 2021 in accordance with the requirements of the CPWRMP (V4.0) One Digital Canopy Photography (DCP) site with ten sample trees (and twenty photo points) at the site were set up throughout Ben's Oasis. Each tree had two photo points selected. All photos were taken with a Nikon D5600 in automatic mode, with a 35 mm fixed lens and UV filter. The camera was attached to a monopod using an L-shaped bracket, with the lens at a fixed distance of 1.47 metres above the ground. Following each survey, canopy photos are processed via methodology by Macfarlane et al. (2014). Imagery is converted to the canopy cover measures crown cover and foliage cover (CC and FC) and are reported as means with standard error (SE) per site and phase.

A total of 4 floristic quadrats (10 x 10 m or 20 x 5 m) were established and data collected for both the DCP and floristic quadrat. On ground attribute monitoring using an adapted methodology by Souter et al., 2009 was set up and collected at the DCP site. Remote sensing methodology was set up and data capture commenced in March 2022. Manned aerial imagery was collected over Weeli Wolli Spring (Ben's Oasis) a using 4 band (Red, Green, Blue, Near-Infrared), Phase One IXU-RS-1000 sensor with 70 focal mm lens to capture imagery at high resolution.

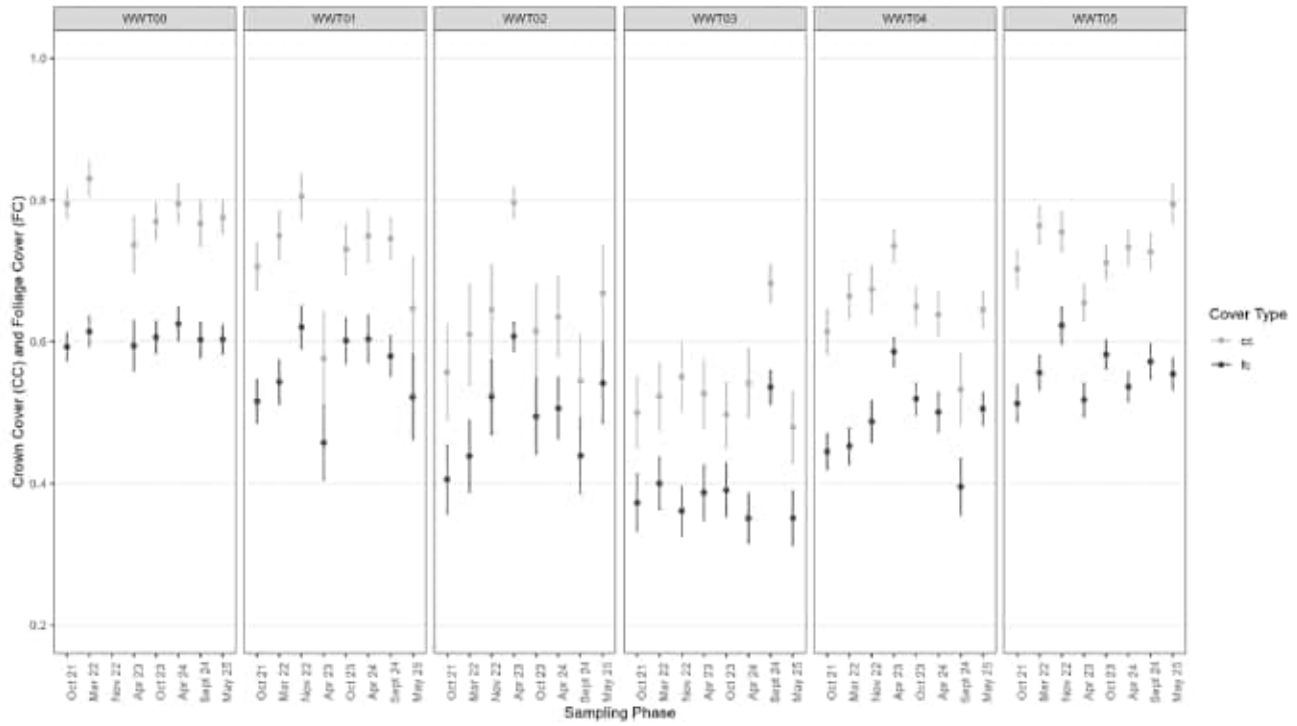


Figure 3-13 Mean Crown Cover (CC) ± SE and Foliage Cover (FC) ± SE of *Melaleuca argentea* by site and sampling phase (10/2021 to 03/5/2025)
Data for Weeli Wolli Spring (Ben's Oasis) are Site WWT00.

Monitoring-Riparian Vegetation

Biannual riparian vegetation monitoring at the second occurrence of Weeli Wolli Spring (Ben's Oasis) was undertaken during the reporting period in accordance with the requirements of the CPWRMP. Monitoring was conducted in the dry season of 2025 from 11 to 16 September 2025 and in the wet season of 2026 from 5 to 9 May 2026

Management actions, targets and monitoring during BWT mining of Southern Flank

The dewatering of Vista Oriental commenced in November of 2023 with the commissioning of the Vista A borefield, with further commissioning of the Vista C and Vista D borefields in November of 2025. Vista A has been assessed as having no impact on Ben's Oasis water levels; Vista C/D dewatering is assumed to have no impact on Ben's Oasis from preliminary assessments, however further investigation is underway to confirm this.

BHP considers that the outcome:

> *'no reduction in the extent of the Ben's Oasis occurrence of the Weeli Wolli Spring Priority Ecological Community attributable to the Revised Proposal'*

has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period.

Fauna Management Plan (Ghost Bat)

In lieu of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan, a standalone Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (FMP) was developed for Mining Area C and South Flank Operations. Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan revision 1.1 was endorsed by DWER on 28 January 2021. Revision 2.1 of the Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan was submitted to DWER in March 2023.

FMP - Trigger and Threshold Criteria for Population Outcome - Ghost Bat Population Outcome

Trigger and Threshold Presence Absence Monitoring

In FY2026, five field trips were undertaken as part of the bi-monthly scat collection monitoring program to determine presence/absence of Ghost Bats from scat deposits as outlined in the FMP. As outlined in Table 5 of the FMP, the targeted caves include:

- 18 high value retained or retained for minimum 5 years caves (AC13, AC14, AC17, AC18[4], SF04, SF05, SF08, SF14, SF18, SF26, SF27, AC01, AC02, AC05, AC06, AC08, AC09, SF06)
- The Mining Area C artificial roost (AR01)
- Reference sites at Tandanya and Mudlark Well, and
- Four Early Response Indicator Caves (ERI)[5] (SF03, SF09, SF28, SF30).

Refer to Table 3-48 for the FMP monitoring results. The FY2026 trip details are below.

July 2025

A total of 39 caves were visited (i.e., accessible but may or may not be able to be entered), consisting of 18 high value caves, 13 reference caves ,7 additional caves and the artificial roost.

Caves not entered:

- AC15 one chamber is unsafe to enter
- SF28 entire cave unsafe to enter due to the risk of entrapment if rockfall were to occur

Scat, presence and general details:

- A total of 430 scats across 17 caves were observed and 175 scats collected.
- Three ghost bats were observed, two at the recently added contextual cave CMAC-005 and one at CTAN-06. Additionally, two ghost bats were clearly heard at CTAN-31.

September 2025

A total of 37 caves were visited (i.e., accessible but may or may not be able to be entered), consisting of 17 high value caves,13 reference caves, 6 additional caves, the artificial roost.

Caves not entered:

- AC06 due to falling from heights risk
- SF28 due to high-risk of entrapment

Scat, presence and general details:

- A total of 288 scats were collected from 16 caves
- Two Ghost Bats were observed at AC17.
- A large number of scats were observed at CTAN-31, equating to a deposition rate of 17.3 scats per day

January 2026

A total of 36 caves were visited (i.e., accessible but may or may not be able to be entered), consisting of 16 high value caves, 13 reference sites, 5 additional caves and the artificial roost.

Caves not accessed:

- AC01 & AC13, due to active mining activities.

Caves not entered:

- SF28 & SF02 due to safety concerns

Scat Presence and General details:

- A total of 245 scats across 11 caves were observed and 80 collected.
- One Ghost bat was observed at AC15
- Feral cat monitoring cameras installed at SF27, AC15 and CTAN-01

March 2026

A total of 32 caves were visited (i.e., accessible but may or may not be able to be entered), consisting of 15 high value caves, 12 reference sites, 5 additional caves and the artificial roost.

Caves not accessed:

- SF02, SF03, SF27, SF28 due to no safe access
- AC13 due to active mining activities.

Caves not entered:

- AC06 due to falling form heights risk

[4] The Retained High Value Cave AC18 cannot currently be accessed for bi-monthly monitoring due to safety concerns as this cave is located within 250 metres of active mining by Rio Tinto. Monitoring is proposed to re-commence when safe access can be re-established

[5] The Early Response Indicator was reached in July 2021 and in response, the following caves have been added to the bi-monthly scat program: SF03, SF09, SF28, SF30

Scat Presence and general details:

- A total of 891 scats across 15 caves were observed and 151 collected.
- Four ghost bats were observed at SF30.

May 2026

A total of 39 caves were visited (i.e., accessible but may or may not be able to be entered), consisting of 18 high value caves, 13 reference sites, 7 additional caves and the artificial roost. An additional cave ML218 SA was visited due to previous observations of ghost bats utilising the cave. A total of 18 scats were observed and 6 collected from this cave.

Caves not accessed:

- SF02, CMUD10, CMUD-63 & C-MUD64 due to no safe access

Caves not entered:

- AC06 due to falling form heights risk

Scat, presence and general details:

- A total of 477 scats across 10 caves were observed and 105 collected.
- No ghost bats were observed at SF08 – individuals flew to the back chamber allowing limited scat collection.

Table 3-48 Scat collection FMP bi-monthly monitoring

Cave	Location	Jul-25		Sep–25		Jan–26		Mar-26		May-26	
		No. of Scats present	No. of Bats Present	No. of Scats present	No. of Bats Present	No. of Scats present	No. of Bats Present	No. of Scats present	No. of Bats Present	No. of Scats present	No. of Bats Present
MS1072 Sites											
AC1	North Flank	0	0	70	0	NE	0	600	0	0	0
AC2	North Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC5	North Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC6	North Flank	NE	NE	NE	0	NE	0	NE	0	0	0
AC8	North Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC9	North Flank	2	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	0
AC13	North Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	NE	0	0	0
AC14	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
AC17	South Flank	9	0	250	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
AC18	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SF4	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SF5	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
SF6	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	0
SF8	South Flank	150	0	50	0	2	0	80	0	0	0
SF14	South Flank	3	0	1	0	4	0	9	0	0	0
SF18	South Flank	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
SF26	South Flank	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	0
SF27	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	NE	0	0	0
AR01	North Flank	0	0	0	0	NE	0	0	0	0	0
ACW01	Tandanya	0	0	70	0	0	0	NE	0	NE	0
ACW06	Tandanya	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
ACW08	Mudlark	0	0	0	0	3	0	18	0	0	0
ACW10	Mudlark	1	0	50	0	0	0	5	0	NE	0
ACW31	Tandanya	0	0	3500	0	5	0	1	0	40	0
AC10	Packsaddle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M1	Mudlark	0	0	18	0	150	0	1	0	4	0
M2	Mudlark	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
CMIN-03	Ministers North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CMUD-063	Mudlark	8	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	NE	0
CMUD-064	Mudlark	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NE	0
SF03	South Flank	0	0	0	0	0	0	NE	0	0	0
SF09	South Flank	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	9	0
SF28	South Flank	19	0	0	0	NE	0	NE	0	300	0
SF30	South Flank	0	0	3	0	0	0	150	4	0	0

NE No entry entered due to unsafe access or conditions
^ ERI (Early Response Indicator) are the inclusion of additional monitoring caves due to an FMP trigger exceedance event in FY2022
NB For ease of viewing, orange highlight indicates scats present, light pink indicates bats present

Ghost Bat presence, which comprises of records of fresh scats collected on midden sheets and observations of Ghost Bats has been compared across project areas in Figure 3-14. Given sampling regimes differ (e.g., number and selection of caves monitored and timing) from year-to-year and across projects, results cannot be directly compared. However, results indicate that Ghost Bats are still present across the eastern Hamersley subregion of the Pilbara. There has been a marginal decline in in Ghost Bat presences observed from 2024 – 2026. This can be attributable to additional caves within MS1072 footprint having been assessed as high risk for cave entry and as such remote monitoring methods have been deployed to monitor Ghost Bat presence. There was a slight increase in Ghost Bat presence at Mudlark Well in 2026 compared to 2025.

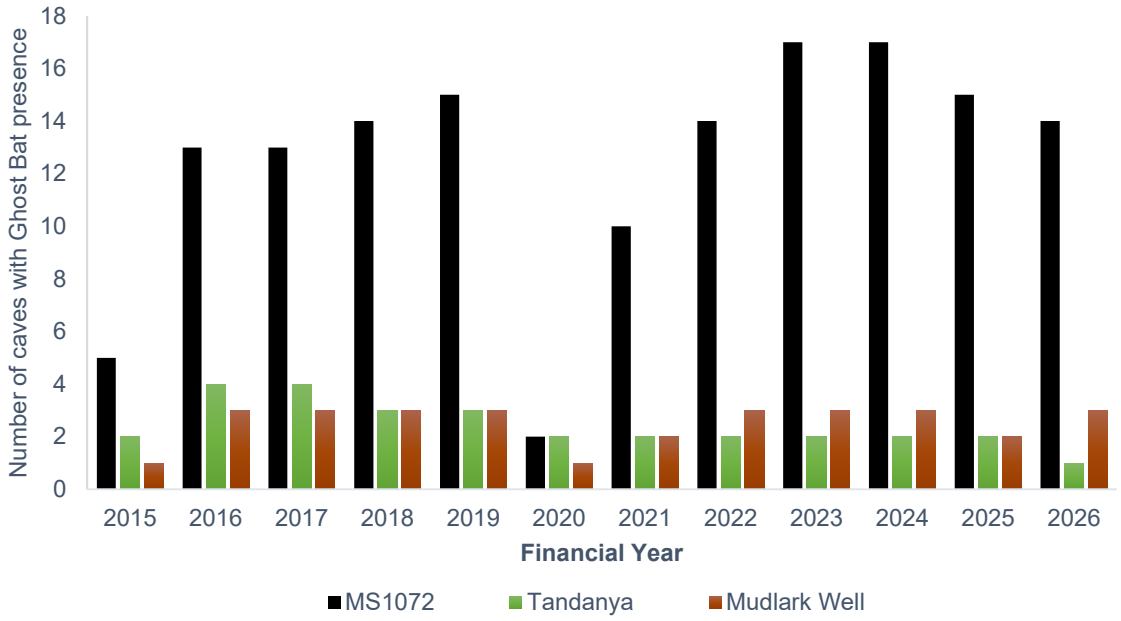


Figure 3-14 Number of caves with recorded Ghost Bat presence across different project areas

Ghost Bat presence at High Value retained caves has observed a marginally decreasing trend in the MS1072 Development Envelope over the reporting period but has remained consistent with 2025 presence numbers (n=10) (Figure 3-15). Ghost bat presence in 2026 has overall remain relatively consistent since 2015. The environmental criteria in the MS1072 Fauna Management Plan V1.1 focusses on Ghost Bat absences from caves, rather than presence.

Given that Ghost Bats are known to utilise a variety of caves and that Ghost Bats may by hidden in chambers not accessible to humans or may not deposit scats on the midden sheet, it is difficult to rely on absence data. BHP WAIO submitted a revised FMP V2.1 on 24 March 2023, which proposed using presence data only to determine any potential changes in cave utilisation by the Ghost Bat in the MS1072 Development Envelope. Once the Fauna Management Plan Version 2.1 is endorsed, the above actions will be reviewed, and actions aligned to Version 2.1.

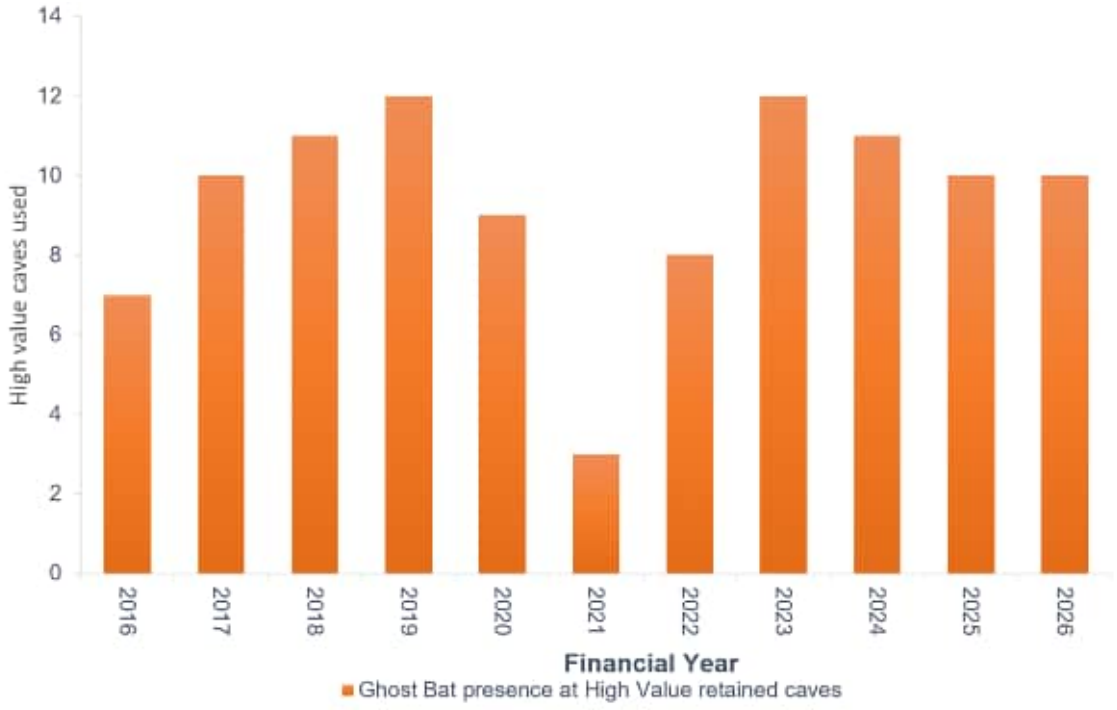


Figure 3-15 Ghost Bat presence at High Value retained caves in the MS1072 Development Envelope

Threshold Response Actions

There was no threshold exceedances recorded during the FY2026

Trigger Response Actions

AC18 and SF27 met Trigger criteria (lack of scat presence for 12 or more months) in July 2026. The additional ERI monitoring caves added in the previous reporting period will be maintained to support contextualising the dynamic shifting of the Ghost Bat within the MS1072 development envelope.

Genotypes

A total of 444 ghost bat scat samples collected from 23 roosts between July 2024 and May 2025 were analysed by Diana Prada, Melissa Millar and Kym Ottewell from the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) to investigate patterns of spatial and temporal cave usage by ghost bats across the South Flank and MAC project area.

Useable genotypes were obtained from 259 out of 444 scat samples, resulting in the identification of 60 unique individuals/ genotypes. This comprised 29 males, 20 females and 11 individuals of unknown/ unconfirmed sex, with an effective population size estimated at 36 individuals. Thirty individuals were identified for the first time (i.e. not previously recorded as part of the Central Pilbara Hub or other BHP monitoring programs) and 30 are recaptures from previous monitoring periods (2016–2024). A total of 23 caves recorded unique individuals The number of individuals detected at each cave ranged from 0 to 8 (none of the samples from SF04 or CMUD-63 were successfully genotyped). The greatest number of individuals were detected at SF08 and CTAN-01 (both 8) despite over three times the number of scats being collected from SF08, with 78 and 22 scats collected, respectively. The second greatest number of individuals were detected at CMAC-005 (7), followed by SF28, AC09 and CMUD-02 (5).

In caves which detected greater than one individual (18), a combination of both males and females were represented in ten. Caves CMUD-02 and SF28 detected exclusively female individuals, with both caves recording five unique individuals. Although females were exclusively identified from AC8 and SF27, only two and one, individual/ s were identified at these caves, respectively.

Overall roost occupancy at caves across monitoring years indicates that out of the 23 caves in which individuals have been successfully genotyped, 12 have shown usage by ghost bats for greater than three years. Additionally, individuals have been identified at five caves for between 9–10 years consistently (AC09, CMUD-10, SF08 and CTAN-01). Seven of the 23 caves have only identified individuals for a single monitoring year, with individuals identified for the first time in 2025 from AC15, CMAC-005 and CMUD-02. However, it should be noted that AC15 and CMAC-005 were only incorporated into the annual monitoring program during this monitoring period. Occupational heterogeneity fluctuates across sites and between years, for example CTAN-01 was represented by only a few individuals (1–7) regularly between 2015–2023; however, in 2024 total of 14 individuals were identified.

Thirty individuals were identified as inter-year recaptures, with most individuals (16) detected across two years; however, not always in consecutive years. As an example, individual 20 was first detected in 2016 and subsequently only detected again in 2025. Similarly, individuals 448 and 521 were first detected in 2015/ 2016 and only redetected in 2025. Across recaptured individuals there was a combined total of 140 movements with a large portion of individuals detected in the same roost on consecutive monitoring trips. Most movements (93%) were below 15 km, with a total of six movements above 20 km (undertaken by three individuals). Individual 533 visited a roost in an adjacent mining precinct approximately 22 km southwest before returning to the South Flank area. The largest movement was recorded by individual 685 which travelled approximately 40 km between AC08 and CMUD-08.

Based on the genotyping results, the effective population size was estimated at 36 individuals, a slight increase from the previous reporting period (33) and a significant increase from 2021–2022 (13.8), but still lower than the population estimate for 2019 (103). Relatedness analyses resulted in 31 pairs of individuals with values consistent with parent-offspring or full-sibling relationships. A total of eight pairs were found in the same roost (one pair at SF28, three pairs at CTAN-01, one pair at CTAN-31, two pairs at AC09, and one pair at SF08). Genetic relatedness was greater among individuals located within 9 km, with a decline in relatedness observed beyond 16 km. However, the autocorrelation value at 9 km did not differ significantly from the null expectation of no spatial genetic structure at this distance. When assessed at 5 km intervals, a similar pattern emerged, with weaker autocorrelation at increasing distances. However, confidence in estimates at the smallest distance class was low, and this relationship was not considered statistically significant.

Hormone Analysis

Scats collected during the monitoring period were analysed by Dr Tamara Keeley (University of Queensland) and Dr Kerry Franson (La Trobe University) for faecal metabolites (hormones) to determine the occurrence of pregnant individuals within caves.

Of the 443 samples analysed, 228 scats (51.47%) contained elevated progesterone levels (progesterone levels exceeding 1,000 ng/g), indicating the presence of presumed pregnant females (Table 3-49) at 19 caves including six RHV, one HV, three LV (comprising one annually monitored and one triennially monitored cave) and nine CC caves (Table 3-49).

Progesterone levels increase and decline during early and late pregnancy, and also degrade over a period of time after deposition (Keeley *et al.*, 2023). Progesterone levels ranged from 50.00 ng/g (in February 2025 from SF26) to 53,592.52 ng/g (in July 2024 from CTAN-31) (Table 3-49).

Caves CMUD-002, CMUD-010, CMUD-047, CMUD-063 and SF27 recorded the highest proportion of scats with elevated progesterone (100 per cent of scats collected) across all trips. SF08 and CTAN-01, were used most consistently by presumed pregnant females with three trips returning scats with elevated progesterone (Table 3-49).The current literature states that within the Pilbara, mating typically occurs in July and August, with the females giving birth approximately three months later, in late October or early November (Richards *et al.*, 2008b). Collections made in September 2024 and January 2025 included the collection of scats that would have been deposited during the 2024 breeding season.

Proportion of scats with elevated progesterone fluctuated over the monitoring period:

- 35 of 82 scats (42.68%) deposited between May and July 2024;
- 93 of 132 scats (70.45%) deposited between July and September 2024;
- 68 of 125 scats (54.40%) deposited between September 2024 and January 2025;
- 19 of 33 scats (57.56%) deposited between January and March 2025; and
- 13 of 71 scats (18.31%) deposited between March and May 2025.

Fifty-three samples showed intermediate levels of progesterone (i.e. progesterone levels ranging from 700–999 ng/g), suggesting the hormone was either decaying due to the age of the scat, or the individual may have recently been pregnant or was in early stages of pregnancy. All the remaining samples analysed (36.57%) returned progesterone levels of 696 ng/g or below (Table 3-49).

Table 3-49 Percentage of samples with elevated progesterone

Area	Frequency	Category	Cave ID	Jul-24	Sep-24	Jan-25	Mar-25	May-25	Total
Area C	Annual	RHV	AC13	0	0	0	0	0	0
			AC14	0	0	0	0	0	0
		HV	AC01	0	0	0	0	0	0
			AC02	0	0	0	0	-	0
			AC05	0	0	0	0	0	0
			AC08	0	0	0	0	-	0
			AC09	0	0	0	0	0.23	0.23
		AR	AMAC-01	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Triennial	LV	AC15	-	*	2.71	1.81	-	4.51
			AC16	-	4.97#	-	-	-	4.97#
			AC20	-	4.06	-	-	-	4.06
South Flank	Annual	RHV	SF04	0	0	0	0	0	0
			SF05	0	0	0	0	0	0
			SF08	*	5.87	1.13	0	0.23	7.22
			SF14	0	0.90	0	0	0	0.9
			SF18	0	0	0	0	0	0
			SF26	0	0	0.45	0	0	0.45
			SF27	0	1.13	0.23	0	0	1.35
		LV	SF24	-	-	-	-	-	-
			SF03	0	0.23	0	0	0.23	0.45
			SF09	0	0	0	0	0	0
			SF28	0	3.84	1.58	0	0	5.52
			SF30	-	0	0	0	0	0
		HV	SF02	-	-	-	-	-	-
			SF06	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tandanya, Mudlark Well and East Packsaddle		CC	CTAN-01	3.39	0	0.23	0	0.23	3.84
			CTAN-06	0	-	0	0	0	0
			CMUD-08	0	-	0	0	0	0
			CMUD-10	0	-	0.90	0	0	0.9
			CTAN-31	4.51	0	0	0.23	0	4.74
			CMUD-01	0	-	0	0	0.09	0.09
			CMUD-02	0	-	0	1.35	0	1.35
			CEPA-10	0	-	0.90	0	0	0.90
			CMUD-63	0	-	1.81	0	0	1.81
			CMUD-64	0	-	0	0	1.13	1.13
			CMAC-005	-	-	4.29#	0	0	4.29#
			CMUD-47	-	-	0	0	0	0
Ministers North			CMIN-03	0	-	0	0	0	0
Total (on and off-sheet)				7.9	20.99	15.35	4.29	2.93	51.57

NB RHV = Retained High Value Ghost Bat Caves; HV = High Value Ghost Bat Caves; LV = Low Value Ghost Bat Caves; CC = Contextual Caves; AR = Artificial Roost. '-' denotes caves that were not visited during a given monitoring survey. '*' denotes caves that were not entered due to ghost bat presence. '#' denotes scats collected off-sheet. Scats with elevated progesterone levels have been shaded orange.

Disturbance Outcome

In FY2025, land disturbance occurred within the 300 m Early Response Indicator (ERI) zones at the following High Value retained caves: AC17 and SF27. No disturbance took place within the 150m ERI zone in FY2026 (see Table 3-50 for FY2025 totals). Project and Mining activities in these areas are ongoing.

Table 3-50 Disturbance within the 300 m and the 150 m Early Response Indicator zone

Caves	300 m ERI area		150 m ERI area	
	Total disturbance* (ha)^	FY2026 disturbance (ha)	Total disturbance* (ha)^	FY2026 disturbance (ha)
AC13	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
AC14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AC17	3.21	0.07	0.00	0.00
AC18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AC32	1.27	0.00	0.04	0.00
SF4	1.62	0.00	0.00	0.00

Caves	300 m ERI area		150 m ERI area	
	Total disturbance* (ha)^	FY2026 disturbance (ha)	Total disturbance* (ha)^	FY2026 disturbance (ha)
SF5	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
SF8	0.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
SF14	2.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
SF18	3.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
SF26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SF27	1.59	0.85	0.00	0.00

* total disturbance does not include historical disturbance which occurred prior to the approval of MS1072.

There were no exceedances of land disturbance 'trigger' or 'threshold' criteria as outlined in the endorsed FMP Table 5 – Outcome-Based Provisions.

Based on the outcomes of monitoring conducted during the FY2025 reporting period, BHP considers that the outcomes:

> *'maintain the long-term viability of the Ghost Bat population in the Mining Area C Development Envelope as defined in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.*
> *no disturbance of the eleven (11) Retained High Value Ghost Bat Caves as shown in Figure 2 of Schedule 1.'*

have been achieved for the FY2025 reporting period.

Ghost Bat Research

As required under Condition 7-9, the 'Ghost Bat Research Plan Year Five Results' report was submitted to the EPA on 20 February 2023 demonstrating how the outcomes in Condition 7-1 will be met, that is, provide key information on certain aspects of the Ghost Bat's ecology in the Pilbara that will inform on-ground management and thereby demonstrate that the long-term viability of the Ghost Bat population in the Mining Area C Development Envelope will be maintained.

Research into Ghost Bat ecology continued in FY2026.

Greenhouse Gas Reporting

BHP reports greenhouse gas emissions from Mining Area C annually in accordance with requirements of the *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007*, as agreed with DWER (Ref 2018-1527146782323). The Clean Energy Regulator requires energy and emissions data for Mining Area C, for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026 to be finalised by 31 October 2026. Therefore, the emissions data reported in Table 3-51 will reflect FY2025 as FY2026 energy and emissions for Mining Area C have not yet been finalised and submitted to the Clean Energy Regulator.

Table 3-51 Clean Energy Regulator Reported Emissions for Mining Area C

Facility Name for NGER Reporting	ARC01 Mining Area C – MNG Facility
Net emissions number	587,2927 t CO_2 equivalence
Reported covered emissions	587,2927 t CO_2 equivalence

Mine Closure Plan

Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan (version 4.0) was formally endorsed by DWER on 27 June 2022. Areas progressively rehabilitated in FY2026 are outlined Section 7 – Rehabilitation and Closure. Other activities outlined in the Mining Area C Closure Plan continued to be implemented during FY2026.

Mine Closure Plan (Version 5.0) was submitted to DWER on 21 February 2025. This version is currently under assessment as part of a recent EPA referral (s38 Mining Area C – Southern Flank Significant Amendment which was submitted 21 February 2025).

Based on an analysis of monitoring results, BHP consider that the outcome:

> *'ensure that the Proposal is rehabilitated and decommissioned in an ecologically sustainable manner'*

has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period.

Resilience and Vegetation Development

Please refer to Section 7 – Rehabilitation and Closure regarding the outcomes of rehabilitation monitoring at Mining Area C during the FY2026 reporting period.

Ministerial Statement 1072 Authorised Extent

Mining Area C and South Flank are authorised in relation to the following aspects, as outlined in Table 3-52.

Mine dewatering continues at North Flank. MAR continues to be the main method of surplus water discharge. The A Deposit MAR ceased to operate in April 2019 to allow for mine expansion. The Juna Downs MAR became operational in May 2019. The South Flank Valley MAR concluded commissioning on 30 April 2022 and the commissioning report was submitted on 7 June 2022. Mine dewatering at South Flank MAR (Vista Pit) commenced at Vista A in November 2023.

Table 3-52 Ministerial Statement 1072 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Native Vegetation clearing	Clearing of no more than 21,824 ha within the Development Envelope of 38,909 ha.3	Vegetation clearing conducted within the Development Envelope. Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 is shown in Table 3-53.
Dewatering	Up to 37.3 GL per annum	19.25 GL in FY2026
Surplus water management	Up to 34.84 GL per annum via managed aquifer recharge, infiltration ponds and discharge from sedimentation basins and discharge to a drainage line that leads to Pebble Mouse Creek. Discharge along drainage line and Pebble Mouse Creek: • will not extend further than 14 km from the discharge point or extend beyond the boundary of the Mining Area C development envelope. • shall be intermittent under natural no flow conditions for maximum of 120 days in any 12-month period. • Mounding as a result of managed aquifer recharge at South Flank will be maintained at or below 30 m from ground level within an area of 400 m around the SF0095R bore.	7.56 GL discharged via managed aquifer recharge, infiltration ponds and sedimentation basins in FY2026. Surface water discharge to Pebble Mouse Creek occurred in FY2026. The wetting front did not extend further than 160 m from the discharge point. Due to operational processes SF0095R has been destroyed. Hydrogeological assessment of surrounding bores confirms the groundwater levels in close proximity to the destroyed bore SF0095R to be at or below 30m below ground level.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-53 below describes the disturbance and rehabilitation status at Mining Area C. Table 3-54 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

Table 3-53 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1072

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance[1]	11,720.34	12,262.49
Total	**11,720.34**	12,262.49

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha) [2]	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	309.47	309.47
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	988.43	1,410.56
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**1,297.90**	**1,720.03**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

[1] Life of project disturbance includes pit voids, overburden storage areas, infrastructure (buildings, offices, workshops, haul and access roads), supporting facilities (borrow pits, ore stockpiles, turkeys nest dams and evaporation ponds), topsoil stockpiles and resource definition

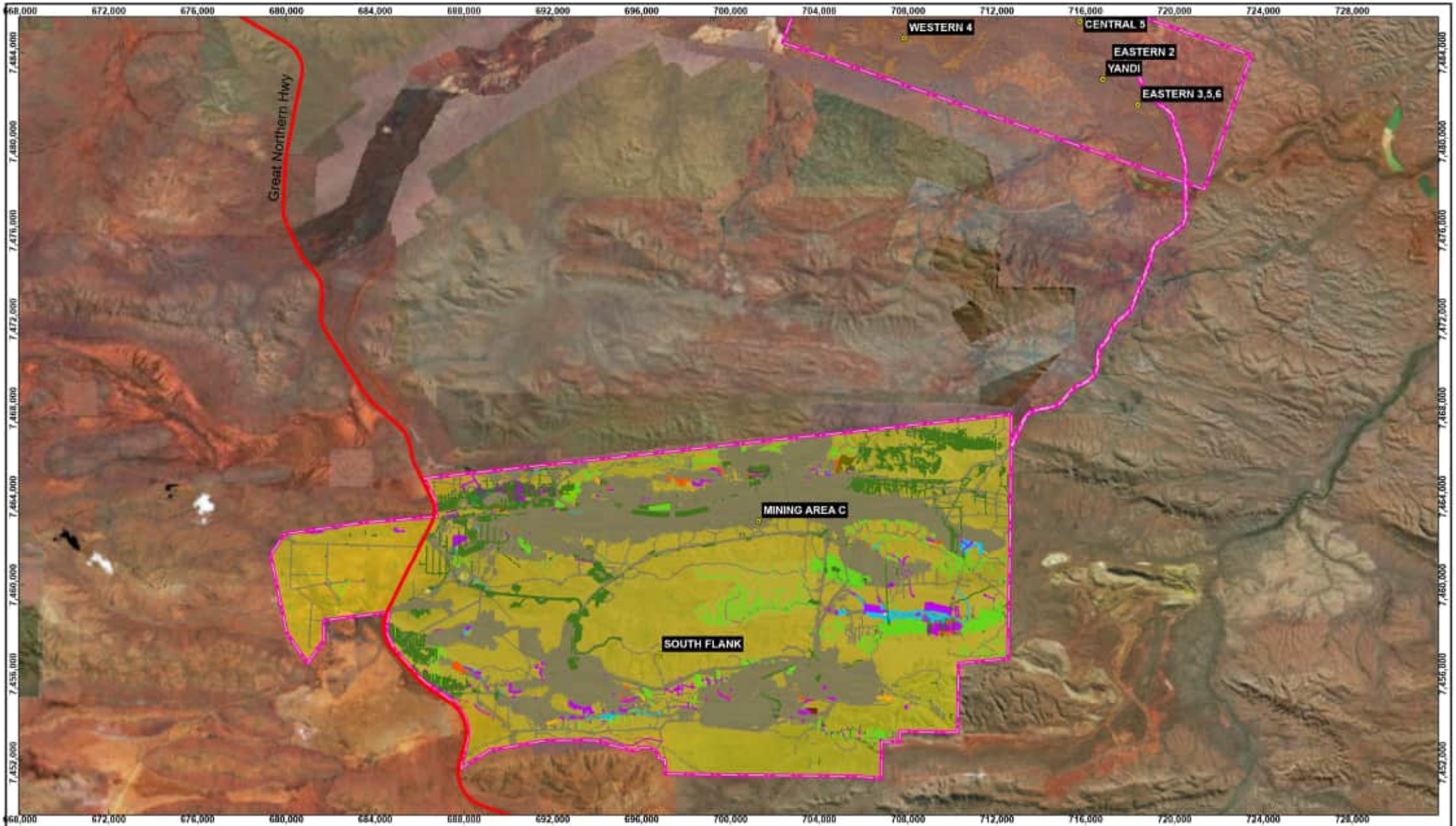
[2] Note that land disturbance for MS1072 is inclusive of historical land disturbance conducted under MS491.

Table 3-54 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1072

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	1.20
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	480.67
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.46
3	Evaporation pond	0.63
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1,102.10
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	9.56
8	Plant site	41.49
9	Fuel storage facility	1.71
10	Workshop	17.03
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1,577.58
12	Landfill site	32.59
13	Diversion channel or drain	37.25
14	Dam fresh water	4.96
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.20
16	Sewage pond	14.26
17	Run-of-mine pad	120.70
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	75.70
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	3,036.26
20	Airstrip	98.27

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1,893.57
22	Laydown or hardstand area	193.06
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	380.09
25	Borefield	19.22
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	11.93
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1,378.50
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	1,410.74
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	986.39
30	Topsoil stockpile	208.51
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	733.65
32	Not Applicable	0.23

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:230,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS	FIGURE:	1
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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases)
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes: M = Minister's condition; P = Proponent's commitment; A = Audit specification; N = Procedure.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env= Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).

Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for OEPA use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1072:1-1	Proposal Implementation	When implementing the Revised Proposal, the proponent shall not exceed the authorised extent of the Revised Proposal as defined in Table 2 in Schedule 1.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained within BHP Billiton Iron Ore's (BHPs) Annual Environmental Report (AER).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The proposal has been implemented in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1.
1072:2-1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 28 days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any change in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	NR	No change of name or address occurred within the 2025-2026 financial year.
1072:3-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare, and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least 6 months prior to the first compliance Assessment Report required by condition 3-6	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 1 April 2018	CLD	A Compliance Assessment Plan was prepared and submitted to the DWER on 29 March 2018.
1072:3-2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) The frequency of compliance reporting (2) The approach and timing of compliance assessments (3) The retention of compliance assessments (4) The method of reporting of potential non –compliances and corrective actions taken (5) The table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports, and (6) Public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 1 April 2018	C	A Compliance Assessment Plan was prepared and submitted to the DWER on 29 March 2018. DWER endorsed the plan on 23 March 2020 (DWERA-000861).
1072:3-3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 3-2, the proponent shall assess compliance with condition in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.	Complete assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	A Compliance Assessment Plan was prepared and submitted to the DWER on 29 March 2018. DWER endorsed the plan on 23 March 2020 (DWERA-000861). The assessment of compliance in accordance with the endorsed Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1072:3-4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	Compliance assessment reports will be retained in electronic format in an internal document management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environmental Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system.
1072:3-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven days of that non-compliance being known or suspected.	Written notification to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate).advising of potential non-compliance.	Overall	Life of proposal Within seven days of the non-compliance being known or suspected.	C	Details on all potential non-compliances have been reported in the CAR.

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				Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.				
1072:3-6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as agreed in writing by the CEO. The first compliance report shall be submitted by 1 October 2018 addressing the compliance for the period from the date of issue of this Statement, notwithstanding that the first reporting period may be less than twelve (12) months. The Compliance Assessment Report shall; (1) Be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) Include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) Identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) Be made publicly available in accordance with approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) Indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Report as part of the BHP Annual Environmental Report.	Evidence of submission of the Compliance Assessment Report, within BHPs Annual Environmental Report, to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the requirements of condition 3-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1072:4-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 4-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO of the date of this Statement and for the remainder of the life of the Revised Proposal, the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. Maps), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this Revised Proposal and Implementation of this Statement.	Subject to condition 4-2, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this Revised Proposal and implementation of this Statement will be publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal. Subject to condition 4-2, relevant data to be provided on request.	NR	There were no requests for validated environmental data, environmental plans or reports during the reporting period.
1072:4-2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 4-1 contains particulars of: (1) A secret formula or process; or (2) Confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Written request to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) for an exemption for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO of the DWER (or delegate) to not make these data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The South Flank Troglofauna Assessment was acknowledged as commercially sensitive on 22 March 2017 (EPA Ref CMS16136). The proponent requested Greenhouse Gas Reporting data to be managed as commercially sensitive data while under review with the Clean Energy Regulator. This request was submitted to DWER on 22 January 2019.
1072:5-1	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan (November 2017).	Continue to implement the BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan (November 2017), as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan (November 2017) continued to be implemented during the reporting period.
1072:5-2	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the plan approved by the CEO.	Continue to implement the most recent version of the BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan, approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate), as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan (November 2017) is the current approved version of the plan and has continued to be implemented during the reporting period.
1072:5-3	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	Any changes to the plan referred to in condition 5-1 must be approved by the CEO in writing	Submission to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) for approval for any changes to the	Written endorsement of any changes to the BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Not required in this reporting period.

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			BHP Iron Ore Cultural Heritage Management Plan, as it applies to the proposal.	Management Plan from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).				
1072:6-1	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit an Environmental Management Plan (the Plan), on the advice of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, and the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, that demonstrates how the proponent will achieve the following: (1) No reduction in the extent of each of the following components of the Coolibah-Lignum flats Priority Ecological Community occurrence on the Coondewanna Flats: a. Coolibah woodlands over lignum over swamp Wandiree, or b. Coolibah and mulga woodland over lignum and tussock grasses on clay plains; (2) No reduction in the extent of the Weeli Wolli Spring occurrence of the Weeli Wolli Spring Priority Ecological Community attributable to the Revised Proposal. (3) No reduction in the extent of the Ben's Oasis occurrence of the Weeli Wolli Spring Priority Ecological Community attributable to the Revised Proposal.	Prepare and submit a Water Management Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 6-1.	Written endorsement of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Life of proposal	C	DWER confirmed on 10 April 2019 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 3.4) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3 (DWERA-001056). DWER confirmed on 6 October 2021 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3 (DWERT6456).
1072:6-2	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall specify Outcomes, Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Monitoring, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, and Reporting to demonstrate that the outcome in Condition 6-1(1) will be met.	Prepare and submit a Water Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 6-2.	Written endorsement of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Life of proposal	C	Updates to the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan was endorsed by DWER in April 2019 & October 2021. Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information on compliance to the Plan, Outcomes Trigger / Threshold Criteria and monitoring etc.
1072:6-3	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall specify Management Actions, Management Targets, Monitoring and reporting to demonstrate that the objectives in Condition 6-1(2) and 6-1(3) will be met.	Prepare and submit a Water Management Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 6-3.	Written endorsement of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Life of proposal	C	Updates to the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan was endorsed by DWER in April 2019 & October 2021. Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information on compliance to the Plan, Management Actions & Targets and monitoring etc.
1072:6-4	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall be prepared in accordance with the EPA's *Instructions on how to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Environmental Management Plans*, or any guideline published by the EPA which amends or replaces this document from time to time.	Prepare and submit a Water Management Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 6-4.	Written endorsement of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Life of proposal	C	The Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 3.4) was endorsed on 10 April 2019 (DWERA-001056). DWER confirmed on 6 October 2021 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2, 6.3 and 6-4 (DWERT6456).
1072:6-5	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The Proponent shall submit the Plan to the CEO within six (6) months of the date of this Statement or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO.	Prepare and submit a Water Management Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Water Management Environmental Management Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018	CLD	Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan Version 3.1 of the Plan submitted 23 May 2018.
1072:6-6	Water Management	The Proponent shall implement the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 3.0) until the CEO	Implement the Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (Version 3.0), as it applies to	Compliance reported annually in the CAR	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in	CLD	The Central Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (Version 4.1) was

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	Environmental Management Plan	has confirmed by notice in writing that the Plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 and 6-3 to meet the objectives required by condition 6-1.	the proposal, until the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) has confirmed by notice in writing that the Plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 and 6-3 to meet the objectives required by condition 6-1.	contained within BHPs AER. Written endorsement of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan required by condition 6-1 received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).		writing that the Plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 and 6-3 to meet the objective required by condition 6-1.		submitted to DWER on 30 September 2021 and endorsed on 6 October 2021 (DWERT6456). Version 4.1 contained amendments to the Plan and DWER confirmed on 6 October 2021 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3 (DWERT6456).
1072:6-7	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the Plan approved by the CEO	Implement the most recent version of the Water Management Environmental Management Plan approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1) was submitted to DWER on 30 September 2021. DWER confirmed on 6 October 2021 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3 (DWERT6456).
072:6-8	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	In the event of exceedance of threshold criteria in condition 6-2 or failure to meet management targets in condition 6-3, the proponent shall meet the requirements in condition 3 (Compliance Reporting) and shall implement the measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to,action and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Written notification to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal Within 7 days of the potential non-compliance being known Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	The Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (version 4.1) was implemented as per condition 6-7. During the reporting period there was a recorded exceedance across five consecutive monitoring periods of 'statistically significant canopy decline (defined as Crown Condition Score (CCS) compared to baseline condition monitoring)' for monitoring site CF15 during post dry season monitoring in (October 2025 and April/May 2026). The crown condition score decline was not attributable to BHP activities, therefore was not recorded as a non-compliance.
1072:6-9	Water Management Environmental Management Plan	Any changes to Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, Management Actions, Management targets, Monitoring or Reporting in the Plan must be approved by the CEO in writing.	Submission to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) for approval for any changes to the Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, Management Actions, Management Targets, Monitoring or Reporting in the Water Management Environmental Management Plan.	Written endorsement of any changes to the Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, Management Actions, Management Targets, Monitoring or Reporting in the Water Management Environmental Management Plan from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	DWER confirmed on 10 April 2019 that the Central Pilbara Water Resources Management Plan (Version 3.4) satisfies the requirements of conditions 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3. Triggers, thresholds and monitoring associated with Coondewanna Flats, Weeli Wolli Springs and Ben's Oasis have been revised by the proponent and updated accordingly in the Central Pilbara Resources Management Plan (Version 4.1), submitted to DWER on 30 September 2021 and endorsed on 6 October 2021. Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information.
1072:7-1	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The Proponent shall prepare and submit an Environmental Management Plan (the Plan), on the advice of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, that demonstrates how the proponent will achieve the following environmental outcomes; (1) Maintain the long-term viability of the Ghost Bat population in the Mining Area C Development Envelope as defined in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.	Prepare and submit a Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 7-1.	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan, that has been developed on advice of the DBCA.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 May 2018 Life of proposal	C	WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (Version 5.0) submitted to DWER on 18 May 2018. BHP addressed DWER comments and submitted a standalone Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 0), 28 February 2020. BHP addressed further DWER comments and submitted Version 1.0, on 10 August 2020. BHP addressed

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		(2) No disturbance of the eleven (11) Retained High Value Ghost Bat Caves as shown in Figure 2 of Schedule 1.						additional DWER comments and submitted for endorsement Version 1.1 on 18 December 2020. DWER formally endorsed the Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 1.1) on 28 January 2021. The Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 1.1) was revised by BHP and submitted to DWER on 10 August 2022 as Version 2.0. BHP addressed DWER comments and the Fauna Management Plan was resubmitted for endorsement on 24 March 2023 (Version 2.1).
1072:7-2	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall specify Outcomes, Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Monitoring, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, and Reporting to demonstrate that the outcome in Condition 7-1 will be met.	Prepare and submit a Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 7-2.	Written endorsement of the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 May 2018 Life of proposal Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	PNC	The proponent submitted a standalone Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 0), 28 February 2020. BHP addressed DWER comments and submitted Version 1.0, on 10 August 2020. The proponent addressed further DWER comments and submitted Version 1.1 on 18 December 2020. DWER formally endorsed the Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 1.1) on 28 January 2021. The Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 1.1) was revised by the proponent and submitted to DWER on 10 August 2022 as Version 2.0. BHP addressed DWER comments and the Fauna Management Plan was resubmitted for endorsement on 24 March 2023 (Version 2.1).
1072:7-3	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall include the monitoring of High Value Ghost Bat Caves as shown in Figure 2 of Schedule 1, including day roosts and any artificial roosts.	Prepare and submit a Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan to the CEO that meets the requirements of condition 7-3.	Written endorsement of the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 May 2018 Life of proposal	C	Comment as per 1072:7-2
1072:7-4	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The Plan shall be prepared in accordance with the EPA's *Instructions on how to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Environmental Management Plans*, or any guideline published by the EPA which amends or replaces this document from time to time.	Prepare and submit a Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 7-4.	Written endorsement of the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 May 2018 Life of proposal	C	Comment as per 1072:7-2
1072:7-5	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall submit the Plan to the CEO within three (3) months of the date of this Statement, or as otherwise agreed by the CEO.	Prepare and submit a Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 May 2018	CLD	This Plan was prepared as Schedule 4 of the WAIO Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (Version 5), and submitted to the DWER on 18 May 2018.
1072:7-6	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the Plan approved by the CEO	Implement the most recent version of the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	DWER formally endorsed the Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan (Version 1.1) on 28 January 2021. The Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan was submitted on 24 March 2023 (Version 2.1)

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								Version 1.1 is currently being implemented.
1072:7-7	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	In the event of exceedance of threshold criteria in condition 3 (Compliance Reporting) and shall implement the measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to , action and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal Within 7 days of the potential non-compliance being known Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	There was no exceedance of threshold criteria as outlined in the Mining Area C Fauna Management Plan during the reporting period.
1072:7-8	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	Any changes to Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions, Management Actions, Management Targets, Monitoring or Reporting in the Plan must be approved by the CEO in writing.	Submission to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) for approval for any changes to the Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions or Reporting in the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan.	Written endorsement of any changes to the Trigger Criteria, Threshold Criteria, Trigger Level Actions, Threshold Contingency Actions or Reporting in the Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Comment as per 1072:7-2
1072:7-9	Ghost Bat Environmental Management Plan	Within 5 years from the date of this Statement, the proponent shall provide a report to the CEO that details how research undertaken by the proponent on Ghost Bat populations demonstrates that the outcomes in condition 7-1 will be met.	Written report to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that details how research undertaken by the proponent on Ghost Bat populations demonstrates that the outcomes in condition 7-1 will be met.	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Ghost Bat Research Report.	Overall	Prior to 20 February 2023	CLD	Report on Ghost Bat Research submitted to the CEO on 20 February 2023.
1072:8-1	Greenhouse Gas Reporting	The proponent shall publicly report the greenhouse gas emissions from the proposal on an annual basis, in a manner approved by the CEO	BHPs greenhouse gas emissions from the proposal will be publicly reported, annually through requirements of the NGER Act. Reporting of greenhouse emissions from the proposal will also be included in annual compliance reports.	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) endorsement of the reporting format Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	On 1 October 2018 DWER advised that reporting under the NGER scheme is acceptable for the purposes of this condition (EPA Ref: 2018-1527146782929). Annual greenhouse gas emissions associated with the proposal are publicly reported on the Clean Energy Regulator website. Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information.
1072:9-1	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the Revised Proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) Ensure that the Proposal is rehabilitated and decommissioned in an ecologically sustainable manner.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the objective of condition 9-1. Implementation of the currently endorsed Mine Closure Plan.	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate). Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Annually by 1 October for life of proposal	C	The Mine Closure Plan (Version 3.2) was submitted to DWER on 30 July 2018. The Mine Closure Plan (Rev 3.3) was submitted addressing DWER comments (DWERA-001178) on 1 May 2020. DWER endorsed Version 3.3 on 27 July 2020 (DWERA-001178). Mine Closure Plan (Version 5.0) was submitted to DWER on 21 February 2025. This version is currently under assessment as part of a recent EPA referral (s38 Mining Area C – Southern Flank Significant Amendment which was submitted 21 February 2025) Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information.

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1072:9-2	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	Within six (6) months of the date of this Statement or as otherwise agreed in writing from the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the *Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015* (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines), to the requirements of the CEO, on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 9-2.	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Mine Closure Plan.	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018	CLD	Mine Closure Plan (Version 3.2) was submitted to DWER on 30 July 2018.
1072:9-3	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall continue to implement the Mining Area closure Plan AML7000281(Revision 1, July 2014) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the Mine Closure Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2 to meet the objective required by condition 9-1.	Implement the Mining Area Closure Plan AML7000281 (Revision 1, July 2014) until the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) has confirmed by notice in writing that the Mine Closure Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2 to meet the objective required by condition 9-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER. Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Annually by 1 October for life of proposal Until written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 is received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	CLD	Progressive rehabilitation and other activities outlined in the Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan (Rev 1 July 2014) continued to be implemented until DWER endorsed the Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan (Version 3.3) on 27 July 2020 (DWERA-001178). Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information.
1072:9-4	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The plan shall include, but not limited to, the following: (1) Backfilling of the Highway Deposit Pits, as described in figure 3 of Schedule 1, to a level that avoids the creation of a permanent mine pit lake; (2) Management of waste rock including waste rock capable of generating Acid and Metalliferous Drainage; and (3) Management of pit lakes.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) that meets the requirements of condition 9-4.	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Plan to be submitted prior to 20 August 2018 Life of proposal	C	Condition 9-4 (1), (2) and (3) are addressed in DWER endorsed Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan (Version 4.0) Mine Closure Plan (Version 5.0) was submitted to DWER on 21 February 2025. This version is currently under assessment as part of a recent EPA referral (s38 Mining Area C – Southern Flank Significant Amendment which was submitted 21 February 2025)
1072:9-5	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 9-2 at intervals not exceeding three years, or as otherwise agreed by the CEO, and submit the plan to the CEO at the agreed interval.	Review and revise the Mine Closure Plan at intervals not exceeding three years.	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Mine Closure Plans at intervals not exceeding three years.	Overall	Intervals not exceeding three years Life of proposal	C	Mining Area C Mine Closure plan (Version 3.3) submitted to DWER on 1 May 2020. DWER endorsed the Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan (Version 3.3) on 27 July 2020 and confirmed it satisfies the requirements of conditions 9-2 (DWERA-001178). The Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan was reviewed and updated to Version 4.0 in FY2022 and submitted to DWER on 1 November 2021. DWER acknowledged submission of Version 4.0 on 27 June 2022 (DWERA-001178) to meet the requirements of condition 9-5 of the Ministerial Statement 1072. Mine Closure Plan (Version 5.0) was submitted to DWER on 21 February 2025. This version is currently under assessment as part of a recent EPA referral (s38 Mining Area C – Southern Flank Significant Amendment which was submitted 21 February 2025) Deferral of MCP Version 5.0 was approved by DWER (APP-0002521) on 16 October 2024 to align with the submission of the

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								s38 Mining Area C - Southern Flank Significant Amendment which was submitted 21 February 2025
1072:9-6	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 9-2.	Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHPs AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October	C	Comment as per 1072:9-4.
1072:10-1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts and risks as a result of the implementation of the Revised Proposal, the proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund calculated pursuant to condition 10-2, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 10-11.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to condition 10-2, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) under condition 10-11.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No invoices have yet been received for payment to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.
1072:10-2	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund shall be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the rates in condition 10-3. The first biennial reporting period shall commence from ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2 and 10-3.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	C	Comment as per 1072:10-1.
1072:10-3	Offsets	Calculated on the 2016-17 financial year, the contribution rates are; (1) $798 (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for Pilbara olive python, Pilbara leafed-nosed bat and Northern quoll cleared within Area A, as shown in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, within the Hamersley IBRA subregion. (2) $1596 (excluding GST) per hectare of ghost bat foraging habitat cleared within Area B, as shown in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, within the Hamersley IBRA subregion.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2 and 10-3.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	C	Comment as per 1072:10-1.
1072:10-4	Offsets	From the commencement of the 2017-2018 financial year, the rates in condition 10-3 will be adjusted annually each subsequent financial year in accordance with the percentage change in the CPI applicable to that financial year.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 10-2, 10-3 and 10-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	C	Comment as per 1072:10-1.
1072:10-5	Offsets	Prior to ground disturbing activities within Areas A or B, or as otherwise agreed with the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Copy of correspondence to CEO of the DWER (or delegate) submitting the Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to ground disturbing activities within Areas A and B or as otherwise agreed with the CEO.	CLD	Mining Area C Impact Reconciliation Procedure was prepared and submitted on 22 February 2018. On the same day, BHP received written agreement of a delegate of the CEO of the DWER in accordance with condition 10-5 to proceed with ground disturbing activities (DWERA-000861). The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IPR) (Version 1.0), which includes MS1072 condition 10 was submitted to DWER on 8 April 2019 and endorsed on 13 June 2019 (DWERA-001513).
1072:10-6	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 10-5 shall; (1) State that the clearing calculations for each biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the	Prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 10-5 received	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to ground disturbing activities within Areas A and B or as	CLD	The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IPR) (Version 1.0), which includes MS1072 condition 10 was submitted to DWER on 8 April 2019. DWER determined that the IRP meets the

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		required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO. (2) Include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3. (3) Indicate the timing and content of the Impact Reconciliation Reports.		from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).		otherwise agreed with the CEO.		requirements of the condition on 13 June 2019 (DWERA-001513). IRP version 1.1 is currently under assessment to reflect the administrative update in the s45C notice issued 17 June 2025.
1072:10-7	Offsets	The proponent shall not commence ground disturbing activities within Areas A or B, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO, until the CEO has confirmed in writing that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 10-6.	Ground disturbing activities within Areas A or B shall not commence until the CEO of the DWER (or delegate) has confirmed in writing that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 10-6, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 10-5 is received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to ground disturbing activities within Areas A and B or as otherwise agreed with the CEO.	C	Mining Area C Impact Reconciliation Procedure was prepared and submitted on 22 February 2018. On the same day, BHP received approval to commence disturbing activities in Areas A and B on 22 February 2018 (DWERA-000861). The WAIO Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IPR) (Version 1.0), which includes MS1072 condition 10 was submitted to DWER on 8 April 2019, and endorsed on 13 June 2019 (DWERA-001513). IRP version 1.1 is currently under assessment to reflect the administrative update in the s45C notice issued 17 June 2025.
1072:10-8	Offsets	The proponent shall submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedures approved in condition 10-7.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 10-7.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 10-7.	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	C	The Impact Reconciliation Report for MS1072 for the first biennial reporting period February 2018 – June 2019 was submitted on 26 September 2019, and resubmitted on 8 May 2020. Impact Reconciliation Report for the second biennial reporting period July 2019 – June 2021 was submitted on 30 September 2021. The proponent requested an extension for the IRR on 8 Sept 2023 due to complexities in State and Federal arrangement on offset requirements. A response was received 28 September 2023. The extension request to deadline for MS1072 IRR (due 30 Sept 2023) was not granted due to Ministerial Statements 1072 not delegating any powers to the CEO or department to approve an extension to the timeframes for submission of the IRP. IRP version 1.1 is currently under assessment to reflect the administrative update in the s45C notice issued 17 June 2025. Refer to the Compliance Assessment Report for further information.

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1072:10-9	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Report required pursuant to condition 10-8 shall provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken within Areas A and B during each biennial reporting period.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the requirements of condition 10-9.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of condition 10-9.	Overall	Biennially following ground disturbing activities of the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.-	C	Comment as per 1072:10-8.
1072:10-10	Offsets	The clearing of 5,564 hectares that was previously approved under Statement 491 is exempt from the requirement to offset under condition 10-2.	The exemption stipulated in condition 10-10 will be accounted for in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 10-5 is received from the CEO of the DWER (or delegate).	Overall	Procedure to be submitted prior to ground disturbing activities within Areas A and B.	IP	Comment as per 1072:10-6.
1072:10-11	Offsets	The proponent may seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 10-2 where: (1) A payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the Revised Proposal; (2) The payment counterbalances impacts of the Revised Proposal on matters of national environmental significance; and (3) The payment counterbalances the significant residual impacts to the environmental values identified in condition 10-3.	Written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 10-2.	Approval from CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 10-2.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	The proponent has not requested a reduction to contributions to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund during the reporting period.

3.16 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB32 BWT

3.16.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Orebody 32 Below Water Table (OB32 BWT) for the FY2026 reporting period. Orebody 32 (OB32) is located approximately 3.6 kilometres northeast of the Newman township in the Pilbara region, and together with Orebodies 23, 24 and 25 are collectively known as the Eastern Ridge mining hub. The proposal is situated on Crown Land within Mineral Lease 244SA (ML244SA) and granted pursuant to the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*. The OB32 BWT Derived Proposal is an expansion to the existing OB32 AWT mine and is divided into two areas: Development Envelope – Mine and Development Envelope – Pipeline.

3.16.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The WA Minister for Environment issued a S45B Notice for the OB32 BWT Derived Proposal on 27 September 2023. Construction for the OB32 BWT Derived Proposal under Ministerial Statement 1105 commenced September 2024. Construction of the surplus water pipeline and discharge point was completed February 2026 and Environmental Commissioning and Time Limited Operations were completed within the FY2026 reporting period.

3.16.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Derived Proposal OB32 BWT
Statement Number	1105
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☑ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB23 BWT audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 1105 - Derived Proposal OB32 BWT identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.16.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1105 Derived Proposal OB32 BWT and covers:

- Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan;
- Condition 8 Terrestrial Fauna EMP;
- Condition 9 Subterranean Fauna EMP;
- Condition 10 Water EMP;
- Condition 12 Greenhouse Gas Emissions EMP;
- Condition 13 Cultural Heritage EMP;
- Condition 15 Rehabilitation and Decommissioning;
- Condition 16 Offsets;
- Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB23 Authorised Extent;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan

The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the FVEMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 8 Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan

The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the TFEMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 9 Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan

The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) was submitted to DWER with the OB32 BWT referral on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the EPWRMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 10 Water Environmental Management Plan

The OB32 BWT Water Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the PFAS WMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 12 Greenhouse Gas Emissions EMP

The Pilbara Expansion Strategic Proposal MS1105 GHGMP was submitted to DWER on 14 July 2023 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the GHGMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 13 Cultural Heritage EMP

The OB32 BWT Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the SCHMP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 15 Rehabilitation and Decommissioning

Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan revision 3.1 was submitted to EPA with the OB32 BWT proposal on 28 October 2022, which supersedes both Revisions 1.4 and 2.0 and has been endorsed.

There has been no non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the ER MCP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Condition 16 Offsets

The OB32 BWT Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to DWER on 10 November 2023 and was prepared in line with the requirements of this condition.

The plan was endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023, and there has been no indication of a non-achievement of management targets, or a failure to implement a management target as required by the IRP during the FY2026 reporting period.

Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB32 – Authorised Extent

Table 3-56 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB32 – Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Physical Elements		
Expansion of existing mining at Newman Hub - Orebody 32 deposit, Eastern Ridge, to below the water table and associated infrastructure and activities	No clearing (0 hectares (ha)) of native vegetation within the existing Orebody 32 mine development envelope of 933 ha	Compliant
Surplus water discharge and associated infrastructure and activities	Clearing of up to 224 ha of native vegetation within the pipeline corridor area of the 933ha development envelope (to be undertaken within the 98,500ha clearing limit of Ministerial Statement 1105)	Compliant 39.06 ha were cleared within the pipeline corridor.
Operational Elements		
Dewatering and water supply	Dewatering and abstraction of up to 25.7 gigalitres per annum	Compliant 5.13 gigalitres
Management of surplus water	Controlled discharge of up to 21.9 gigalitres per annum to Ophthalmia Dam	Compliant 5.03 gigalitres discharged to Ophthalmia Dam since commissioning commenced February 2026
Pit lake	Open void and formation of pit lake within Orebody 32 mine pit	Compliant
Carbon dioxide equivalent (CO_2-e) emissions	1.13 million tonnes CO2-e over the life of proposal	Compliant
Timing Elements		
Operational life of proposal	30 years	Compliant

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-57 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Derived Proposal OB32 BWT. Table 3-58 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

Table 3-57 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal OB32 BWT

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 01 July 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance	38.93	39.06
Total	**38.93**	**39.06**

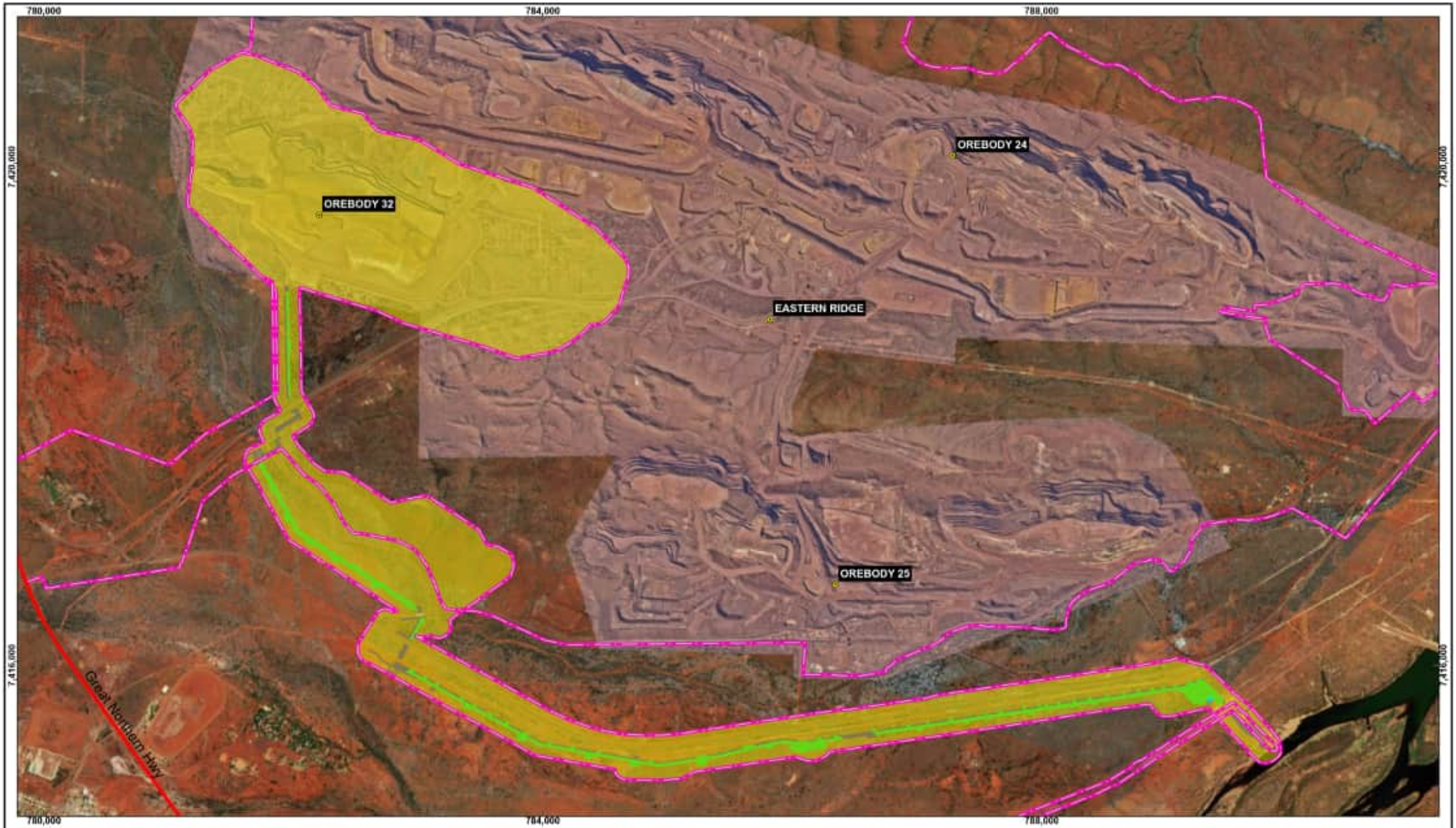
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 01 July 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	0.00	23.16
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**0.00**	**23.16**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 3-58 Land use by MRF category for the FY2025 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal OB32 BWT

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0
3	Evaporation pond	0
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0
8	Plant site	0
9	Fuel storage facility	0
10	Workshop	0
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0
12	Landfill site	0
13	Diversion channel or drain	0
14	Dam fresh water	0
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0
16	Sewage pond	0
17	Run-of-mine pad	0
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	39.06
20	Airstrip	0
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0
22	Laydown or hardstand area	0
23	Core yard	0
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0
25	Borefield	0
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	23.16
30	Topsoil stockpile	0
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0
32	Not Applicable	0

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
1 JULY 2025 - 30 JUNE 2026

WAIO PLANNING, TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENT

SCALE @ A4:	1:41,000	PREPARED:	GEOMATICS
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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1105(2):M1-1	Derived Proposals	Proposals referred to the EPA and declared to be derived proposals containing one or more of the Developments (including the Associated Activities and Operations) listed in Column 1 of Table 2, within the location described in Column 2 shall not exceed the Description of Limits or Extent, relevant to the Developments provided for in Column 3 of Table 2.	Implement proposal in accordance with criteria in MS1105 Schedule 1, Table 2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	The OB32 BWT proposal received s45B Notice sign off on 27 September 2023.
1105(2):M2-1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	NR	No change of name or address has occurred during the reporting period.
1105(2):M3-1	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is not substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1, the proposal may not be implemented.	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Prior to 27 September 2028	C	The OB32 BWT project gated into Execution in July 2024 and construction was completed December 2025.
1105(2):M3-2	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is substantially commenced in accordance with condition 3-1, the proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that it has complied with condition 3-1 no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1.	Written evidence of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Copy of written evidence to the CEO of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Overall	Prior to 27 October 2028	C	The OB32 BWT project gated into Execution in July 2024 and construction was completed December 2025.
1105(2):M4-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	Prepare a CAP	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	CAP to be submitted prior to 1 April 2024, or prior to implementation of the proposal (whichever is sooner)	C	The OB32 BWT Compliance Assessment Plan was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2024 and was endorsed on 16 August 2024.
1105(2):M4-2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of records concerning compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Submit a CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	CAP to be submitted prior to 1 April 2024, or prior to implementation of the proposal (whichever is soon)	C	The OB32 BWT Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2024 and was endorsed on 16 August 2024.
1105(2):M4-3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2 the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Complete the assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	After receiving notice in writing that the plan satisfies the requirements Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Compliance Assessment Plan was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023 and endorsed on 16 August 2024. The assessment of compliance in accordance with the endorsed Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(2):M4-4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	CAR (as part of the AER) retained in electronic format in an internal Document Management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, will be retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system.

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								BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1105(2):M4-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO in writing of any potential non-compliance including exceedance of threshold criteria and/or failure to implement management actions in an Environmental Management Plan within seven (7) days of that potential non-compliance being known.	Written notification to the CEO	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising of potential non-compliance Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Within seven days of the potential non-compliance being known	C	There have been no non-compliances in this reporting period.
1105(2):M4-6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report annually by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO.	Submit CAR	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	A Compliance Assessment Report for the OB32 BWT proposal is included in this document.
1105(2):M4-7	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Submit a CAR to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance for the OB32 BWT proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(2):M4-8	Compliance Reporting	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Revise CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	When required for the life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2024 and was endorsed on 16 August 2024.
1105(2):M4-9	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Compliance Assessment Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2.	Implementation of the CAP	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2024 and was endorsed on 16 August 2024. The assessment of compliance for the OB32 BWT proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(2):M5-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to Condition 5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO after the issue of the Section 45A Notice1 and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal.	All validated environmental data, environmental plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal (subject to Condition 5-2) made publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.
1105(2):M5-2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 5-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the	Written request to the CEO for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO to not make the data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.

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		CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.						
1105(2):M6-1	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit Condition Environmental Management Plans: (1) prior to ground-disturbing activities, and within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, to demonstrate that the environmental objectives specified in the conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal will be met.	Prepare and submit EMPs as required by Section 45B Notice: Statement 1105 – No 2.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA and CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbing activities and prior to 27 March 2024, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	The OB32 BWT s45B Notice was issued on 27 September 2023. The management plans required by conditions 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15 and 16 of MS1105 were submitted to DWER on 23 March 2024.
1105(2):M6-2	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) shall: (1) specify environmental outcomes that achieve the environmental objectives, specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (2) specify trigger criteria that will provide early warning for the implementation of trigger level actions if exceeded; (3) specify threshold criteria that provides a limit beyond which the environmental outcome is not achieved; (4) specify monitoring to determine if trigger criteria and threshold criteria are exceeded; (5) specify trigger level actions to be implemented in the event that trigger criteria have been exceeded; (6) specify threshold contingency actions to be implemented in the event that threshold criteria are exceeded; (7) provide the format and timing for the reporting of monitoring results against trigger criteria and threshold criteria to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met over the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6; and (8) provide for reporting of exceedances of the trigger and threshold criteria. Or where it is not possible to specify environmental outcomes for the proposal: (9) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (10) specify risk-based management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (11) specify measurable management target(s) to determine the effectiveness of the risk-based management actions; (12) specify monitoring to measure the effectiveness of management actions against management targets, including but not limited to, parameters to be measured, baseline data, monitoring locations, and frequency and timing of monitoring; (13) specify a process for revision of management actions and changes to proposal activities, in the event that the management targets are not achieved. The process shall include an investigation to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (14) provide the format and timing to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met for the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by Condition 4-6 including, but not limited to: (a) verification of the implementation of management actions; and (b) reporting on the effectiveness of management actions against management target(s).	Prepare outcome-based or objective-based EMPs.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The management plans were drafted in line with the criteria of Condition 6-2, and all have been endorsed.
1105(2):M6-3	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The failure to implement one or more management actions, the exceedance of a threshold criteria (regardless of whether threshold contingency actions have been or are being implemented in accordance with Condition 6-7(2)), and/or comply with the requirements of a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) represents non-compliance with these conditions.	If required, report failure to implement an action, exceedance of a threshold, or failure to comply with requirements	Copy of written advice to the CEO of any non-compliance.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No failure to implement management actions during the reporting period identified.

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			of EMP as a non-compliance.					
1105(2):M6-4	Condition Environmental Management Plan	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) satisfies the requirements of relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s); and (2) continue to implement the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met.	Implement the endorsed EMP	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Condition Environmental Management Plans have been endorsed in writing by the CEO.
1105(2):M6-5	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by Condition 6-5(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause(s) of the management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 6-5(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	C	There has been no indication that a non-achievement of a management target occurred during the reporting period.
1105(2):M6-6	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) has not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to determine the potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement the management action(s); (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 6-6(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause of the failure to implement the management actions; (b) the findings of the investigations required by Conditions 6-6(2) and 6-6(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s . Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	C	There has been no indication that a failure to implement a management action occurred during the reporting period.
1105(2):M6-7	Condition Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicates exceedance of trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of the exceedance being identified; (2) immediately implement the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria are being met and implementation of the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions are no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded; (4) identify additional measures required to prevent the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future;	If required, report any trigger or threshold exceedance/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any trigger or threshold exceedance/s. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO . Statement of non-compliance for threshold exceedances. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the exceedance to the CEO within 7 days of the trigger or threshold exceedance/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 90 days of the reporting the trigger or threshold	NR	A management plan trigger criteria or threshold has not been exceeded during the reporting period.

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		(5) investigate to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (6) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the exceedance being reported. The report shall include: (a) details of any trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented, monitored and measured against trigger criteria and threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-7(3) and 6-7(5); (d) additional measures to prevent the trigger or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; and (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm or alteration of the environment which may have occurred.				exceedance/s to the CEO		
1105(2):M6-8	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), or (2) shall review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) as and when directed by the CEO.	Review and revise EMPs as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Copy of submitted EMPs	Overall	Life of proposal	C	There have been no requests to review or revise the OB32 BWT Condition Environmental Management Plans during the reporting period.
1105(2):M6-9	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 6-3.	Implement the latest endorsed version of EMPs.	Copy of endorsed EMPs	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Condition Environmental Management Plans have been endorsed in writing by the CEO.
1105(2):M7-1	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect flora and vegetation so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of flora taxa declared as threatened flora under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa listed as priority flora; (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the occurrences of threatened and priority ecological communities, and their habitat.	Implement the endorsed FVEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and endorsed on 20 November 2025. No non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(2):M7-2	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan required by Condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in Condition 7-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the FVEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 7-1 relevant to the PB23 BWT Proposal.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and endorsed on 20 November 2025. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(2):M7-3	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan required by Condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: changes to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; changes to surface water flows and quality; dust; fire regimes, and weeds.	The FVEMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 7-3.
1105(2):M7-4	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by Condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of Condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in Condition 7-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the FVEMP.	Written endorsement of the FVEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed FVEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. Written endorsement of the FVEMP from the CEO was received on 20 November 2025.
1105(2):M8-1	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective:	Implement the endorsed TFEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024

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	Management Plan	(1) protect terrestrial fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of terrestrial fauna taxa that are listed as threatened or specially protected under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the habitat of terrestrial fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on terrestrial fauna listed as priority fauna, and its habitat; and (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on conservation significant short-range endemic fauna.		contained within the AER.				and was endorsed by DWER on 30 May 2025.
1105(2):M8-2	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of Condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the TFEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 8-1 relevant to the OB32 BWT Proposal.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The OB32 BWT Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed by DWER on 30 May 2025. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(2):M8-3	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant fauna, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: loss of habitat, changes to surface water regimes; risk of vehicle strikes; changes to fire regimes; emissions of dust, light and noise; and impacts from feral animals.	The TFEMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant terrestrial fauna.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of Conditions 6-2 and 8-3 and was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed by DWER on 30 May 2025.
1105(2):M8-4	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the TFEMP.	Written endorsement of the TFEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed TFEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The OB32 BWT Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed by DWER on 30 May 2025.
1105(2):M9-1	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect subterranean fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local population of subterranean fauna taxa which are known to have a restricted distribution; (b) maintain the local and regional populations of subterranean fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the habitat of subterranean fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; and (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the occurrences of threatened and priority ecological communities, and their habitat, which are recognised as having conservation significant subterranean fauna values, including, but not limited to; (i) Ethel Gorge aquifer stygobiont community Threatened Ecological Community.	Implement the endorsed EPWRMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) was resubmitted to DWER with the OB32 BWT referral inclusions on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.
1105(2):M9-2	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 9-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Revise the EPWRMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 9-1 relevant to the OB23 BWT Proposal.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity*

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								Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.
1105(2):M9-3	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The Subterranean Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant subterranean fauna, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: changes to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; ground disturbance.	The EPWRMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant subterranean fauna.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was updated in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 8-3 and resubmitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and has been endorsed.
1105(2):M9-4	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Subterranean Fauna Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 9-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the EPWRMP.	Written endorsement of the EPWRMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed EPWRMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was resubmitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. Written endorsement of the updated EPWRMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(2):M10-1	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) maintain the hydrological regimes and quality of groundwater and surface water so that environmental values are protected, including where relevant avoiding and minimising direct and indirect impacts of the proposal, on: (a) Fortescue Marsh; (b) hydrological regimes that support threatened and priority ecological communities; (c) proclaimed Public Drinking Water Source Areas; (d) permanent and ephemeral rock pools; (e) wetlands which are Ramsar listed, or listed in the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia; (f) wild rivers; (g) wetland types which may be poorly represented; (h) natural springs; (i) ecosystems which support conservation significant flora/ vegetation and fauna species or communities, including migratory waterbirds, bats, groundwater dependent biota and subterranean fauna; and (j) ecosystems which support significant amenity, recreation and cultural values.	Implement the endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Newman Hub (Orebody 32 Below Water Table) MS1105 Water Management Plan (WMP) was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. The plan is currently under review by DWER, and no non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(2):M10-2	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Revise the EPWRMP and prepare the WMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 10-1 relevant to the OB23 BWT Proposal.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Newman Hub (Orebody 32 Below Water Table) MS1105 Water Management Plan (WMP) was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(2):M10-3	Water Environmental Management Plan	The Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: water abstraction; managed aquifer recharge; disposal of mine dewater to surface water systems; diversion of surface water systems; discharge of wastes to storage or evaporative basins and dewatering of aquifers and exposure of potentially acid forming material or the creation of acid and metalliferous drainage.	The EPWRMP and WMP include provisions (components) to address impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Newman Hub (Orebody 32 Below Water Table) MS1105 Water Management Plan (WMP) was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 10-3 and submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024.
1105(2):M10-4	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Water Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the EPWRMP and the WMP.	Written endorsement of the EPWRMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Newman Hub (Orebody 32 Below Water Table) MS1105 Water Management Plan (WMP) was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. Written endorsement of the Water Management Plan from the CEO has not

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								been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(2):M12-1	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) avoid, where possible, and minimise greenhouse gas emissions as far as practicable.	Implement the endorsed GHGMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Pilbara Strategic Expansion Proposal MS1105 Greenhouse Gas Management Plan (GHGMP) was submitted to DWER on 14 July 2023. The plan identifies BHP's approach to managing GHG emissions to meet the EPA's objective. The plan is currently under review by DWER, and no non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(2):M12-2	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Greenhouse Gas Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objective required by condition 12-1.	Prepare the GHGMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 12-1.	Version 1 of the GHGMP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Pilbara Strategic Expansion Proposal MS1105 Greenhouse Gas Management Plan (GHGMP) was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2, 12-1 and 12-2, and submitted to DWER on 14 July 2023.
1105(2):M12-3	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The Greenhouse Gas Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address the following matters: (1) benchmarking and design of the proposal; (2) monitoring and public reporting; (3) continuous improvement and minimising net emissions; and (4) offsets for greenhouse gas emissions.	The GHGMP includes provisions (components) to address the required matters.	Version 1 of the GHGMP submitted January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Pilbara Strategic Expansion Proposal MS1105 Greenhouse Gas Management Plan (GHGMP) was submitted to DWER on 14 July 2023 was developed in line with the requirements of condition 12-3.
1105(2):M12-4	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Greenhouse Gas Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 12-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the GHGMP.	Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO Copy of endorsed GHGMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Pilbara Strategic Expansion Proposal MS1105 Greenhouse Gas Management Plan (GHGMP) was submitted to DWER on 14 July 2023. Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(2):M13-1	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit, within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, a Cultural Heritage Management Plan to meet the following environmental objective: (1) manage the proposal to minimise the impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture.	Prepare and submit the SCHMP to meet the specified objectives.	Copy of submitted SCHMP.	Pre-construction	Prior to 27 March 2024 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	The Orebody 32 BWT MS1105 Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022.
1105(2):M13-2	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The Cultural Heritage Management Plan required by condition 13-1 shall address impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: disturbance of the ground that may impact cultural associations and heritage; potential loss of access to areas to undertake traditional activities; and changes to water regimes of water resources known to have Aboriginal heritage value.	The SCHMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture.	Version 1.1 of the SCHMP submitted to the EPA in October 2022.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Orebody 32 BWT MS1105 Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022 was developed in line with the requirements of condition 13-2.
1105(2):M13-3	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Cultural Heritage Management Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 13-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions2 of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan; and (2) continue to implement the Cultural Heritage Management Plan(s) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives in condition 13-1 have been met.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the SCHMP.	Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Orebody 32 BWT MS1105 Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022. Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(2):M13-4	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Cultural Heritage Management Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Cultural Heritage Management Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Review and revise EMPs as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Copy of submitted SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Orebody 32 BWT MS1105 Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022 and is currently under review.

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1105(2):M13-5	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the version of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 13-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 13-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 13-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the SCHMP.	Copy of endorsed SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Orebody 32 BWT MS1105 Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022 and is currently under review.
1105(2):M15-1	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and the site of the proposal rehabilitated to be safe, stable and non-polluting and in an ecologically appropriate and sustainable manner.	Implement the endorsed MCP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan revision 3.1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS with the OB32 BWT proposal on 28 October 2022, which supersedes both Revisions 1.4 and 2.0.
1105(2):M15-2	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	Within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines), on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety and, where the proposal impacts on land managed pursuant to the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*, the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.	Prepare and submit the MCP.	Copy of submitted MCP.	Pre-construction	Prior to 27 March 2024 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	BHP has updated the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-2.
1105(2):M15-3	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The plan required by condition 15-2 shall include provisions to address the following: (1) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in condition 15-1; (2) specify the management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in condition 15-1. Failure to implement one or more of these management actions represents non-compliance with these conditions; (3) the provisions2 required by conditions 6-2(11) to 6-2(13); and (4) demonstrate the validity of assumptions used in the Mine Closure Plan and consideration of the effects of breakdown of those assumptions.	Prepare the MCP to include required provisions (components).	Revision 3.1 of the MCP submitted to the EPA in October 2022.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	BHP has updated the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-3 (1), (2) and (3). Version 3.1 of the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan is currently pending endorsement.
1105(2):M15-4	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in the Mine Closure Plan, the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management targets not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 15-4(1). The report shall include: (a) cause of management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 15-4(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	C	The Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan is currently under review by DWER, and no non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(2):M15-5	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in the Mine Closure Plan have not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement management action/s in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement management actions; (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 15-5(1). The report shall include: (a) cause for failure to implement management actions; (b) the findings of the investigation required by conditions 15-5(2) and 15-5(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s. Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	C	The Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan is currently under review by DWER, and no non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.

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		(d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.						
1105(2):M15-6	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 15 at intervals not exceeding three (3) years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO, and submit the plan to the CEO at the agreed interval.	Review and revise the MCP.	Copy of revised MCP submitted to the CEO.	Overall	At least every 3 years for the life of the proposal	C	BHP has updated the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-3 (1), (2) and (3). Version 3.1 of the Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan is currently pending endorsement.
1105(2):M15-7	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 15-2, to meet the objectives of condition 15-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the MCP.	Written endorsement of the MCP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed MCP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan was submitted to DWER on 28 October 2022 and is currently pending CEO endorsement.
1105(2):M16-1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts as a result of the implementation of the proposal identified in condition 16-2, the proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund (PEOF), calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-2	Offsets	The significant residual impacts are: (1) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (2) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(1) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (3) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Fortescue IBRA subregion; (4) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(3) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.	Significant residual impacts identified in the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The OB32 BWT Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to DWER on 10 November 2023 and was endorsed on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-3	Offsets	The proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to conditions 16-4 and 16-5, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 16-11.	Contribute funds PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF, including any reduction approved by the CEO.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-4	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund shall be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the following calculation: C = R x H Where: C = the contribution to the fund for clearing done in the relevant year R = contribution rate for the year in which the clearing is undertaken as published for the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund by the CEO for each significant residual impact identified in condition 16-2. H = number of hectares of land cleared in the relevant year for each significant residual impact referred to in condition 16-2.	Contribute funds to the PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP. Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-5	Offsets	The first biennial reporting period shall commence at the beginning of the financial year that ground-disturbing activities causing one or more of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2 are undertaken.	Prepare the first Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for the biannual reporting period commencing at the beginning of the financial	IRR submitted to DWER.	Construction	The first biennial reporting period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026 (first IRR submitted prior to 30 September 2026)	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody

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			year when ground-disturbing activities are first undertaken.					32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-6	Offsets	Prior to ground-disturbing activities, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Prepare and submit IRP to CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	CLD	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure for Orebody 32 Below Water Table was submitted to DWER on 10 November and was endorsed 21 December 2023, prior to ground-disturbing activities occurring. The project construction commenced in September 2024.
1105(2):M16-7	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 16-6 shall: (1) state that clearing calculations for each biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; (2) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2; and (3) indicate the timing and content of the Impact Reconciliation Reports.	Prepare IRP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The OB32 BWT Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to DWER on 10 November 2023 and was endorsed on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-8	Offsets	The proponent shall not commence ground-disturbing activities, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO, until the CEO has confirmed in writing that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 16-7.	Endorsement of the IRP by the CEO.	Written endorsement dated 21 December 2023 by the authorised delegate the CEO of Version 2 of the IRP from the CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	CLD	The OB32 BWT Impact Reconciliation Procedure was submitted to DWER on 10 November 2023 and was endorsed on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-9	Offsets	The proponent shall submit Impact Reconciliation Reports in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 16-8.	Submit IRR in accordance with the IRP.	Copy of submitted IRR.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-10	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Reports required pursuant to condition 16-9 shall provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken within each biennial reporting period.	IRR contain location and spatial extent of clearing.	Copy of submitted IRR. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.
1105(2):M16-11	Offsets	The proponent may seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 16-4 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; (2) the payment counterbalances impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance; and (3) the payment counterbalances the significant residual impacts to the environmental values identified in condition 16-2.	If required, written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Written approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	OB32 BWT project construction commenced in September 2024. The first biennial reporting period will be 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026, with the IRR submitted to DWER on 30 September 2026 as outlined in the Impact Reconciliation Procedure Orebody 32 Below Water Table endorsed by DWER on 21 December 2023.

1. Now Section 45B since the 2020 amendments to the EP Act
2. Provisions now referred to as components in the current version of How to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Environmental Management Plans: Instructions (EPA 2021)
3. The current version of the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans is Statutory Guidelines for Mine Closure Plans (DEMIRS 2023)

3.17 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge

3.17.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge for the FY2026 reporting period. The Western Ridge Project is within the Strategic Proposal boundary and forms part of the future expansion proposal of Newman identified in Schedule 1 of MS1105. The Project is located approximately 2 kilometres southwest of Newman (with nearest mine pits approximately 7 kilometres southwest of Newman town), in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

3.17.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Construction for the Western Ridge Project under Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge commenced in May 2024. Construction clearing activities are continuing and the construction of infrastructure is currently underway with completion planned for September 2026. The WA Minister for Environment issued the S45B notice pursuant to Ministerial Statement 1105, as it relates to the Derived Proposal Western Ridge, on 27 September 2023.

3.17.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Derived Proposal WESTERN RIDGE
Statement Number	1105
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☑ Construction	☐ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge identified within the FY2026 reporting period

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* .... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.17.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge and covers:

- Condition 7-2 Flora and Vegetation Management Plan
- Condition 8-2 Terrestrial Fauna EMP
- Condition 9-2 Subterranean Fauna EMP
- Condition 10-2 Water EMP
- Condition 11-2 Air Quality EMP

- Condition 12-2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions EMP
- Condition 13-2 Cultural Heritage EMP
- Condition 15-2 Mine Closure Plan
- Condition 16-6 Impact Reconciliation Procedure
- Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge Authorised Extent;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Condition 7-2 Flora and Vegetation Management Plan

The Western Ridge Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025 and the latest version has been implemented.

DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

Condition 8-2 Terrestrial Fauna EMP

The Western Ridge Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2026, and the latest version has been implemented.

DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

Condition 9-2 Subterranean Fauna EMP

Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024.

DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

Condition 10-2 Water EMP

The Western Ridge PFAS Water Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed 17/03/2026, and the latest version has been implemented.

DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

Condition 11-2 Air Quality EMP

The Western Ridge Air Quality Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023. Clearing activities commenced on the project in April 2024.

DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

Condition 12-2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions EMP

The Western Ridge Greenhouse Gas Management Plan was developed in accordance with the requirements of condition 6-2 and meets the objective of condition 12-1 and was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023.

Condition 13-2 Cultural Heritage EMP

The Western Ridge Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was developed in accordance with the requirements of condition 13-1. The SCHMP was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023, written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.

Condition 15-2 Mine Closure Plan

BHP has updated the Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-2. The Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 29 April 2026.

Condition 16-6 Impact Reconciliation Procedure

The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.

Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB23 – Authorised Extent

Table 3-60 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge – Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Physical Elements		
Mine and associated activities and operations.	Development Envelope of 7,235 ha. Clearing of no more than 4,281 ha of native vegetation within the Development Envelope	Compliant
Operational Elements		
Pit lake	Option for open voids and formation of pit lake/s	Compliant
Timing Elements		
Maximum project life	31 Years	Compliant

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-61 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for MS1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge. Table 3-62 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

Table 3-61 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 01 July 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Mine and associated infrastructure	1,220.46	1,485.07
Total	**1,220.46**	**1,485.07**

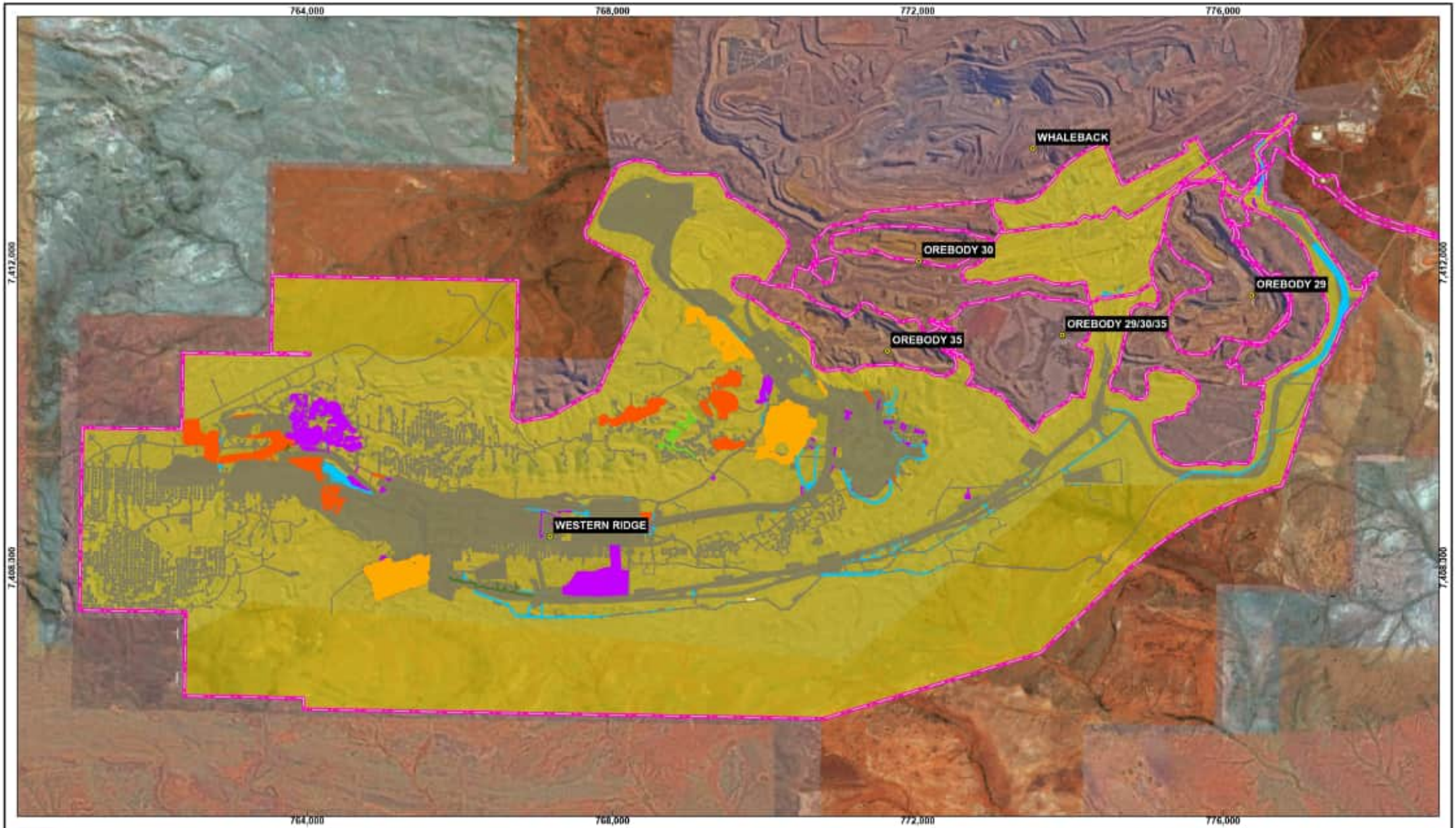
Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 01 July 2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	0.94	3.42
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**0.94**	**3.42**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

Table 3-62 Land use by MRF category for the FY2025 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal Western Ridge

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	128.53
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.03
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	3.88
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	3.70
14	Dam fresh water	0.94
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	15.94
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	28.15
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	4.82
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	282.10
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	149.59
22	Laydown or hardstand area	37.35
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	200.60
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	158.32
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	400.82
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	0.00
30	Topsoil stockpile	55.23
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	3.42
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

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1105(1):M1-1	Derived Proposals	Proposals referred to the EPA and declared to be derived proposals containing one or more of the Developments (including the Associated Activities and Operations) listed in Column 1 of Table 2, within the location described in Column 2 shall not exceed the Description of Limits or Extent, relevant to the Developments provided for in Column 3 of Table 2.	Implement proposal in accordance with criteria in MS1105 Schedule 1, Table 2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The WA Minister for Environment issued the section 45B notice of taking effect of Ministerial Statement 1105, as it relates to the Western Ridge Derived Proposal, on 27 September 2023.
1105(1):M2-1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	C	No change of name or address has occurred in the reporting period.
1105(1):M3-1	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is not substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1, the proposal may not be implemented.	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Prior to 27 September 2028	C	The Western Ridge project transitioned into Execution in May 2024 and construction activities commenced in May 2024.
1105(1):M3-2	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is substantially commenced in accordance with condition 3-1, the proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that it has complied with condition 3-1 no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1.	Written evidence of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Copy of written evidence to the CEO of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Overall	Prior to 27 October 2028	NR	The Western Ridge project transitioned into Execution in May 2024 and construction activities commenced in May 2024. Submission date is October 2028.
1105(1):M4-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare, and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	Prepare a CAP	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	CAP to be submitted prior to 1 April 2024, or prior to implementation of the proposal (whichever is soon)	C	The Western Ridge Compliance Assessment Plan was approved by DWER on 9 December 2024.
1105(1):M4-2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of records concerning compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Submit a CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	CAP to be submitted prior to 1 April 2024, or prior to implementation of the proposal (whichever is soon)	C	The Western Ridge Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was approved by DWER on 9 December 2024
1105(1):M4-3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2 the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Complete the assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Compliance Assessment Plan was approved by DWER on 9 December 2024. The assessment of compliance in accordance with the submitted Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report
1105(1):M4-4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	CAR (as part of the AER) retained in electronic format in an internal Document Management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1105(1):M4-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO in writing of any potential non-compliance including exceedance of threshold criteria and/or failure to implement	Written notification to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to the	Overall	Within seven days of the potential non-	C	There have been no non-compliances in this reporting period.

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		management actions in an Environmental Management Plan within seven (7) days of that potential non-compliance being known.		CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.		compliance being known		
1105(1):M4-6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report annually by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO.	Submit CAR.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	A Compliance Assessment Report for the Western Ridge proposal is included in the AER.
1105(1):M4-7	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Submit a CAR to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance for the Western Ridge proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(1):M4-8	Compliance Reporting	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Revise CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP.	Overall	When required for the life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was approved by DWER on 9 December 2024. No revision has occurred, or direction been issued by the CEO.
1105(1):M4-9	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Compliance Assessment Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2.	Implementation of the CAP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Compliance Assessment Plan developed in line with the requirements of condition 4-3 was approved by DWER on 9 December 2024. The assessment of compliance for the Western Ridge proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(1):M5-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO after the issue of the Section 45A Notice1 and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal.	All validated environmental data, environmental plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal (subject to Condition 5-2) made publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.
1105(1):M5-2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 5-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Written request to the CEO for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO to not make the data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.
1105(1):M6-1	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit Condition Environmental Management Plans: (1) prior to ground-disturbing activities, and within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, to demonstrate that the environmental objectives specified in the conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal will be met.	Prepare and submit EMPs as required by Section 45B Notice: Statement 1105 – No 2.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA and CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbing activities and prior to 27 March 2024, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	The Western Ridge S45B Notice was issued on 27/09/2023. The management plans required by conditions 10, 12, 13, 15 and 16 of MS1105 were submitted to DWER and are currently under review.

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								The management plans were drafted in line with the criteria of Condition 6-2 and are currently under review by DWER. Impact Reconciliation Plan was approved 21/12/23 TFEMP was approved 18/11/2025 FVEMP was approved 18/11/2025 PFAS Water Management Plan was approved 17/03/26
1105(1):M6-2	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) shall: (1) specify environmental outcomes that achieve the environmental objectives, specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (2) specify trigger criteria that will provide early warning for the implementation of trigger level actions if exceeded; (3) specify threshold criteria that provides a limit beyond which the environmental outcome is not achieved; (4) specify monitoring to determine if trigger criteria and threshold criteria are exceeded; (5) specify trigger level actions to be implemented in the event that trigger criteria have been exceeded; (6) specify threshold contingency actions to be implemented in the event that threshold criteria are exceeded; (7) provide the format and timing for the reporting of monitoring results against trigger criteria and threshold criteria to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met over the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6; and (8) provide for reporting of exceedances of the trigger and threshold criteria. Or where it is not possible to specify environmental outcomes for the proposal: (9) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (10) specify risk-based management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (11) specify measurable management target(s) to determine the effectiveness of the risk-based management actions; (12) specify monitoring to measure the effectiveness of management actions against management targets, including but not limited to, parameters to be measured, baseline data, monitoring locations, and frequency and timing of monitoring; (13) specify a process for revision of management actions and changes to proposal activities, in the event that the management targets are not achieved. The process shall include an investigation to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (14) provide the format and timing to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met for the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6 including, but not limited to: (a) verification of the implementation of management actions; and (b) reporting on the effectiveness of management actions against management target(s).	Prepare outcome-based or objective-based EMPs.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The management plans were drafted in line with the criteria of Condition 6-2 and are currently under review by DWER. Impact Reconciliation Plan was approved 21/12/23 TFEMP was approved 18/11/2025 FVEMP was approved 18/11/2025 PFAS Water Management Plan was approved 17/03/26
1105(1):M6-3	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The failure to implement one or more management actions, the exceedance of a threshold criteria (regardless of whether threshold contingency actions have been or are being implemented in accordance with condition 6-7(2)), and/or comply with the requirements of a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) represents non-compliance with these conditions.	If required, report failure to implement an action, exceedance of a threshold, or failure to comply with	Copy of written advice to the CEO of any non-compliance.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No non-compliances have been recorded or reported during the reporting period.

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			requirements of EMP as a non-compliance.					
1105(1):M6-4	Condition Environmental Management Plan	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) satisfies the requirements of relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions2 of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s); and (2) continue to implement the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met.	Implement the endorsed EMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Formal notice of satisfaction from the CEO has not yet been received by BHP. The submitted Conditional Management Plans are currently implemented during the review process from DWER. Impact Reconciliation Plan was approved 21/12/23 TFEMP was approved 18/11/2025 FVEMP was approved 18/11/2025 PFAS Water Management Plan was approved 17/03/26
1105(1):M6-5	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 6-5(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause(s) of the management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 6-5(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	NR	There has been no indication that a non-achievement of a management target occurred during the reporting period.
1105(1):M6-6	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) has not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to determine the potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement the management action(s); (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 6-6(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause of the failure to implement the management actions; (b) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-6(2) and 6-6(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s. Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	NR	There has been no indication that a failure to implement a management action occurred during the reporting period.
1105(1):M6-7	Condition Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicates exceedance of trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of the exceedance being identified; (2) immediately implement the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria are being met and implementation of the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions are no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded;	If required, report any trigger or threshold exceedance/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any trigger or threshold exceedance/s. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Statement of non-compliance for threshold exceedances. Compliance reported annually in the CAR	Overall	Report the exceedance to the CEO within 7 days of the trigger or threshold exceedance/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 90 days of the reporting the trigger or threshold	NR	A management plan trigger criteria or threshold has not been exceeded during the reporting period.

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		(4) identify additional measures required to prevent the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; (5) investigate to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (6) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the exceedance being reported. The report shall include: (a) details of any trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented, monitored and measured against trigger criteria and threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-7(3) and 6-7(5); (d) additional measures to prevent the trigger or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; and (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm or alteration of the environment which may have occurred.		contained within the AER.		exceedance/s to the CEO		
1105(1):M6-8	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), or (2) shall review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) as and when directed by the CEO.	Review and revise EMPs as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Copy of submitted EMPs.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Request for Information was received by Company on 30/05/2025 for TFEMP and FVMP variations requiring to be submitted by 11/08/2025 with a Request For Information was also received from DWER on 18/03/2026 for the AQMP. All updated Management plans were submitted as requested. There has been a request to review the Western Ridge Air Quality EMP, which remains under review and is not yet endorsed. No other requests have been received to revise the remaining Western Ridge Condition Environmental Management Plans during the reporting period.
1105(1):M6-9	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 6-3.	Implement the latest endorsed version of EMPs.	Copy of endorsed EMPs.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The current versions of the Management plans are implemented.
1105(1):M7-1	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect flora and vegetation so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of flora taxa declared as threatened flora under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa listed as priority flora; (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the occurrences of threatened and priority ecological communities, and their habitat.	Implement the endorsed FVEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025 and the latest version has been implemented. No non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(1):M7-2	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Flora and Vegetation Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 7-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the FVEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 7-1 relevant to the Western Ridge Proposal.	Version 1 of the FVEMP submitted to the CEO in November 2023.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Western Ridge Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025 and the latest version has been implemented. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.

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1105(1):M7-3	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The Flora and Vegetation Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: changes to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; changes to surface water flows and quality; dust; fire regimes, and weeds.	The FVEMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation.	Version 1 of the FVEMP submitted November 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 7-3 and was submitted to DWER on 26 November 2023.
1105(1):M7-4	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Flora and Vegetation Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 7-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the FVEMP.	Written endorsement of the FVEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed FVEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was approved by DWER 18/11/2025 Written endorsement of the FVEMP from the CEO was received on 20/11/2025.
1105(1):M8-1	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect terrestrial fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of terrestrial fauna taxa that are listed as threatened or specially protected under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the habitat of terrestrial fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on terrestrial fauna listed as priority fauna, and its habitat; and (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on conservation significant short-range endemic fauna.	Implement the endorsed TFEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2026, and the latest version has been implemented. No non-compliances have been recorded during the reporting period.
1105(1):M8-2	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the TFEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 8-1 relevant to the Western Ridge Proposal.	Version 2 of the TFEMP submitted to the CEO in November 2023.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Western Ridge Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.
1105(1):M8-3	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant fauna, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: loss of habitat, changes to surface water regimes; risk of vehicle strikes; changes to fire regimes; emissions of dust, light and noise; and impacts from feral animals.	The TFEMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant terrestrial fauna.	Version 2 of the TFEMP submitted November 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 8-3 and was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025.
1105(1):M8-4	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the TFEMP.	Written endorsement of the TFEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed TFEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan was accepted by DWER on 18/11/2025. Written endorsement of the TFEMP from the CEO was received by BHP on 20/11/2025
1105(1):M9-1	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect subterranean fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local population of subterranean fauna taxa which are known to have a restricted distribution; (b) maintain the local and regional populations of subterranean fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the habitat of subterranean fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; and (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the occurrences of threatened and priority ecological communities, and their habitat, which	Implement the endorsed EPWRMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) was resubmitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. The plan is currently under review by DWER, and no non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.

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		are recognised as having conservation significant subterranean fauna values, including, but not limited to; (i) Ethel Gorge aquifer stygobiont community Threatened Ecological Community.						
1105(1):M9-2	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Subterranean Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 9-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Revise the EPWRMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 9-1 relevant to the Western Ridge Proposal.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Life of proposal	C	Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(1):M9-3	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The Subterranean Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant subterranean fauna, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: changes to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; ground disturbance.	The EPWRMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant subterranean fauna.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was updated in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 8-3 and resubmitted to DWER on 16 February 2024.
1105(1):M9-4	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Subterranean Fauna Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 9-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the EPWRMP.	Written endorsement of the EPWRMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed EPWRMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan was resubmitted to DWER on 16 February 2024. Written endorsement of the updated EPWRMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(1):M10-1	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) maintain the hydrological regimes and quality of groundwater and surface water so that environmental values are protected, including where relevant avoiding and minimising direct and indirect impacts of the proposal, on: (a) Fortescue Marsh; (b) hydrological regimes that support threatened and priority ecological communities; (c) proclaimed Public Drinking Water Source Areas; (d) permanent and ephemeral rock pools; (e) wetlands which are Ramsar listed, or listed in the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia; (f) wild rivers; (g) wetland types which may be poorly represented; (h) natural springs; (i) ecosystems which support conservation significant flora/ vegetation and fauna species or communities, including migratory waterbirds, bats, groundwater dependent biota and subterranean fauna; and (j) ecosystems which support significant amenity, recreation and cultural values.	Implement the endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge PFAS Water Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed 17/03/2026, and the latest version has been implemented. No non-compliances to the plan have been recorded in this reporting period.
1105(1):M10-2	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Revise the EPWRMP and prepare the WMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 10-1 relevant to the Western Ridge Proposal.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge PFAS Water Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 16 February 2024 and was endorsed 17/03/2026. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, and the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the assessment process.
1105(1):M10-3	Water Environmental Management Plan	The Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: water abstraction; managed aquifer recharge; disposal of mine dewater to surface water systems;	The EPWRMP and WMP include provisions (components) to address	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Water Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 10-3 and was endorsed 17/03/2026.

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		diversion of surface water systems; discharge of wastes to storage or evaporative basins and dewatering of aquifers and exposure of potentially acid forming material or the creation of acid and metalliferous drainage.	impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality.	submitted January 2024.				
1105(1):M10-4	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Water Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the EPWRMP and the WMP.	Written endorsement of the EPWRMP from the CEO Copy of endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Water Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 10-3 and was endorsed 17/03/2026.
1105(1):M11-1	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) maintain air quality and minimise emissions so that environmental values are protected, and in particular: (a) meet recognised air quality standards and criteria, including: (i) National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure for carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, sulfur dioxide, lead, particles as PM10 and PM2.5; or (ii) other guidelines on a proposal specific basis as determined by the CEO.	Implement the endorsed AQMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Air Quality Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023. Request For Information was received from DWER 18/03/2026.
1105(1):M11-2	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare an Air Quality Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 11-1.	Prepare the AQMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 11-1.	Version 1 of the AQMP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Pre-construction	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Air Quality Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023. Clearing activities commenced on the project in April 2024. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(1):M11-3	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The Air Quality Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on air quality, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: dust emissions due to clearing of vegetation; emissions from power plants; mining (including blasting), handling, stockpiling and transport of iron ore; and crushing and screening of materials.	The AQMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on air quality.	Version 1 of the AQMP submitted January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Air Quality Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023. RFI received from DWER 18/03/26.
1105(1):M11-4	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Air Quality Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 11-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the AQMP.	Written endorsement of the AQMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed AQMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Air Quality Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 11-1 and submitted to DWER on 29 January 2023. RFI received from DWER 18/03/26.
1105(1):M12-1	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) avoid, where possible, and minimise greenhouse gas emissions as far as practicable.	Implement the endorsed GHGMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management (GHGMP) Plan was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023. Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER, though the current revision is currently implemented pending final approval. All activities are in-accordance with the GHGMP.
1105(1):M12-2	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Greenhouse Gas Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objective required by condition 12-1.	Prepare the GHGMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 12-1.	Version 1 of the GHGMP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Pre-construction	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge GHGMP was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and meets the objective of 12-1 submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023.
1105(1):M12-3	Greenhouse Gas Environmental	The Greenhouse Gas Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address the following matters: (1) benchmarking and design of the proposal;	The GHGMP includes provisions (components) to address the required matters.	Version 1 of the GHGMP submitted January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management (GHGMP) Plan was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023.

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	Management Plan	(2) monitoring and public reporting; (3) continuous improvement and minimising net emissions; and (4) offsets for greenhouse gas emissions.						Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER, though the current revision is currently implemented pending final approval. All activities are in-accordance with the GHGMP
1105(1):M12-4	Greenhouse Gas Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Greenhouse Gas Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 12-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the GHGMP.	Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO Copy of endorsed GHGMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge GHGMP was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023. Written endorsement of the GHGMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER, though the current revision is currently implemented pending final approval.
1105(1):M13-1	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit, within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, a Cultural Heritage Management Plan to meet the following environmental objective: (1) manage the proposal to minimise the impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture.	Prepare and submit the SCHMP to meet the specified objectives.	Copy of submitted SCHMP.	Pre-construction	Prior to 27 March 2024 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	The Western Ridge Social Culture Heritage Management Plan (SCHMP) was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023. Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER.
1105(1):M13-2	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The Heritage Management Plan required by condition 13-1 shall address impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: disturbance of the ground that may impact cultural associations and heritage; potential loss of access to areas to undertake traditional activities; and changes to water regimes of water resources known to have Aboriginal heritage value.	The SCHMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on Aboriginal heritage and culture.	Version 1.1 of the SCHMP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge SCHMP was developed in line with the requirements of condition 13-1.
1105(1):M13-3	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Cultural Heritage Management Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 13-2, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan; and (2) continue to implement the Cultural Heritage Management Plan(s) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives in condition 13-1 have been met.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the SCHMP.	Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge SCHMP was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023. Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER, though the current revision is currently implemented pending final approval.
1105(1):M13-4	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Cultural Heritage Management Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Cultural Heritage Management Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Review and revise EMPs as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Copy of submitted SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	No review has been requested or revision been undertaken to date.
1105(1):M13-5	Cultural Heritage Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the version of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 13-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 13-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 13-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the SCHMP.	Copy of endorsed SCHMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge SCHMP was submitted to DWER on 13 July 2023. Written endorsement of the SCHMP from the CEO has not been received by BHP as the plan is currently under review by DWER, though the current revision is currently implemented pending final approval.
1105(1):M15-1	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and the site of the proposal rehabilitated to be safe, stable and non-polluting and in an ecologically appropriate and sustainable manner.	Implement the endorsed MCP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 29 April 2026
1105(1):M15-2	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	Within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines), on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety and, where the proposal	Prepare and submit the MCP.	Copy of submitted MCP.	Pre-construction	Prior to 27 March 2024 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	BHP has updated the Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-2.

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		impacts on land managed pursuant to the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*, the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.						Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 29 April 2026.
1105(1):M15-3	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The plan required by condition 15-2 shall include provisions to address the following: (1) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in condition 15-1; (2) specify the management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in condition 15-1. Failure to implement one or more of these management actions represents non-compliance with these conditions; (3) the provisions2 required by conditions 6-2(11) to 6-2(13); and (4) demonstrate the validity of assumptions used in the Mine Closure Plan and consideration of the effects of breakdown of those assumptions.	Prepare the MCP to include required provisions (components).	Revision 0 of the MCP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	BHP has updated the Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition 15-3 (1), (2) and (3). Version 3.1 of the Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan is currently pending endorsement.
1105(1):M15-4	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in the Mine Closure Plan, the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management targets not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 15-4(1). The report shall include: (a) cause of management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 15-4(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	C	A management plan trigger criteria or threshold has not been exceeded during the reporting period.
1105(1):M15-5	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in the Mine Closure Plan have not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement management action/s in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement management actions; (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 15-5(1). The report shall include: (a) cause for failure to implement management actions; (b) the findings of the investigation required by conditions 15-5(2) and 15-5(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s. Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	C	A management plan trigger criteria or threshold has not been exceeded during the reporting period.
1105(1):M15-6	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 15 at intervals not exceeding three (3) years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO, and submit the plan to the CEO at the agreed interval.	Review and revise the MCP.	Copy of revised MCP submitted to the CEO.	Overall	At least every 3 years for the life of the proposal	C	The mine closure plan was resubmitted on 29 April 2026, within the specified 3 year review period.
1105(1):M15-7	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 15-2, to meet the objectives of condition 15-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the MCP.	Written endorsement of the MCP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed MCP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The current Mine Closure plan is currently implemented.
1105(1):M16-1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts as a result of the implementation of the proposal identified in condition 16-2, the proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund (PEOF), calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	Payments are in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Plan, first payment period is 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2025.

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								No payments have been made at this stage due to RFI received from DWER dated 16/02/2026 for FY25/26 submission.
1105(1):M16-2	Offsets	The significant residual impacts are: (1) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (2) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(1) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (3) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Fortescue IBRA subregion; (4) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(3) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.	Significant residual impacts identified in the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.
1105(1):M16-3	Offsets	The proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to conditions 16-4 and 16-5, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 16-11.	Contribute funds PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF, including any reduction approved by the CEO.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	Payments are in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Plan, first payment period is 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2025. No payments have been made at this stage due to RFI received from DWER dated 16/02/2026 for FY25/26 submission.
1105(1):M16-4	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund shall be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the following calculation: C = R x H Where: C = the contribution to the fund for clearing done in the relevant year R = contribution rate for the year in which the clearing is undertaken as published for the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund by the CEO for each significant residual impact identified in condition 16-2. H = number of hectares of land cleared in the relevant year for each significant residual impact referred to in condition 16-2.	Contribute funds to the PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP. Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	Payments are in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Plan, first payment period is 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2025. No payments have been made at this stage due to RFI received from DWER dated 16/02/2026 for FY25/26 submission.
1105(1):M16-5	Offsets	The first biennial reporting period shall commence at the beginning of the financial year that ground-disturbing activities causing one or more of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2 are undertaken.	Prepare the first Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for the biannual reporting period commencing at the beginning of the financial year when ground-disturbing activities are first undertaken.	IRR submitted to DWER.	Construction	The first biennial reporting period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2025 (first IRR submitted prior to 30 September 2025)	C	Payments are in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Plan, first payment period is 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2025. No payments have been made at this stage due to RFI received from DWER dated 16/02/2026 for FY25/26 submission. Clearing activities commenced May 2024.
1105(1):M16-6	Offsets	Prior to ground-disturbing activities, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Prepare and submit IRP to CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.
1105(1):M16-7	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 16-6 shall: (1) state that clearing calculations for each biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; (2) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2; and (3) indicate the timing and content of the Impact Reconciliation Reports.	Prepare IRP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.

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1105(1):M16-8	Offsets	The proponent shall not commence ground-disturbing activities, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO, until the CEO has confirmed in writing that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 16-7.	Endorsement of the IRP by the CEO.	Written endorsement dated 21 December 2023 by the authorised delegate the CEO of Version 2 of the IRP from the CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023. Clearing activities commenced in May 2024.
1105(1):M16-9	Offsets	The proponent shall submit Impact Reconciliation Reports in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 16-8.	Submit IRR in accordance with the IRP.	Copy of submitted IRR.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.
1105(1):M16-10	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Reports required pursuant to condition 16-9 shall provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken within each biennial reporting period.	IRR contain location and spatial extent of clearing.	Copy of submitted IRR. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Western Ridge Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 5 December 2023. Written endorsement of the IRP from the CEO was given 21 December 2023.
1105(1):M16-11	Offsets	The proponent may seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 16-4 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; (2) the payment counterbalances impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance; and (3) the payment counterbalances the significant residual impacts to the environmental values identified in condition 16-2.	If required, written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Written approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	No payments have been made at this stage due to RFI received from DWER dated 16/02/2026 for FY25/26 submission.

1. Now Section 45B since the 2020 amendments to the EP Act
2. Provisions now referred to as components in the current version of How to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Environmental Management Plans: Instructions (EPA 2021)
3. The current version of the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans is Statutory Guidelines for Mine Closure Plans (DMIRS 2023)

3.18 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North

3.18.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North for the FY2026 reporting period. The Ministers North Project is within the Strategic Proposal boundary and forms part of the future expansion proposal of Yandi Mining Operations (Yandi) identified in Schedule 1 of MS1105. The Project is located approximately 15 km south-east of BHPs existing Yandi operation, in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

3.18.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

The WA Minister for Environment issued the S45B notice pursuant to Ministerial Statement 1105, as it relates to the Derived Proposal Ministers North, on 08 June 2026. The Minister's North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.

3.18.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Derived Proposal MINISTERS NORTH
Statement Number	1105
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☑ Construction	☐ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 1105 - Derived Proposal Ministers North identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.18.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North and covers:

- Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation EMP
- Condition 8 Terrestrial Fauna EMP
- Condition 10 Water EMP
- Condition 11 Air Quality EMP
- Condition 15 Mine Closure Plan
- Condition 16 Impact Reconciliation Procedure
- Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North Authorised Extent;

- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation EMP

The Ministers North Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (v2) was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.

Condition 8 Terrestrial Fauna EMP

The Ministers North Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.

Condition 10 Water EMP

The Ministers North Water Management Plan (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.

Condition 11 Air Quality EMP

The Ministers North Air Quality Management Plan (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.

Condition 15 Mine Closure Plan

The Ministers North Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.

Condition 16 Impact Reconciliation Procedure

The Ministers North Impact Reconciliation Plan (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.

Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal OB23 – Authorised Extent

Table 3-64 Ministerial Statement 1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North – Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Physical Elements		
Mine and associated activities and operations.	Indicative footprint of up to 2,360 hectares (ha) including clearing of up to 1,848 ha of native vegetation within a 5,556.6 ha development envelope (to be undertaken within the 98,500 ha clearing limit of Ministerial Statement 1105	Compliant
Operational Elements		
Water Supply	Water supply will be sourced from other users including BHP operations and third parties	Compliant
Max pit depth (at closure)	569 mAHD (minimum 5m separation from groundwater table)	Compliant
Timing Elements		
Life of proposal (construction, operations and decommissioning)	28 Years	Compliant

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-65 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for MS1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North. Table 3-66 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

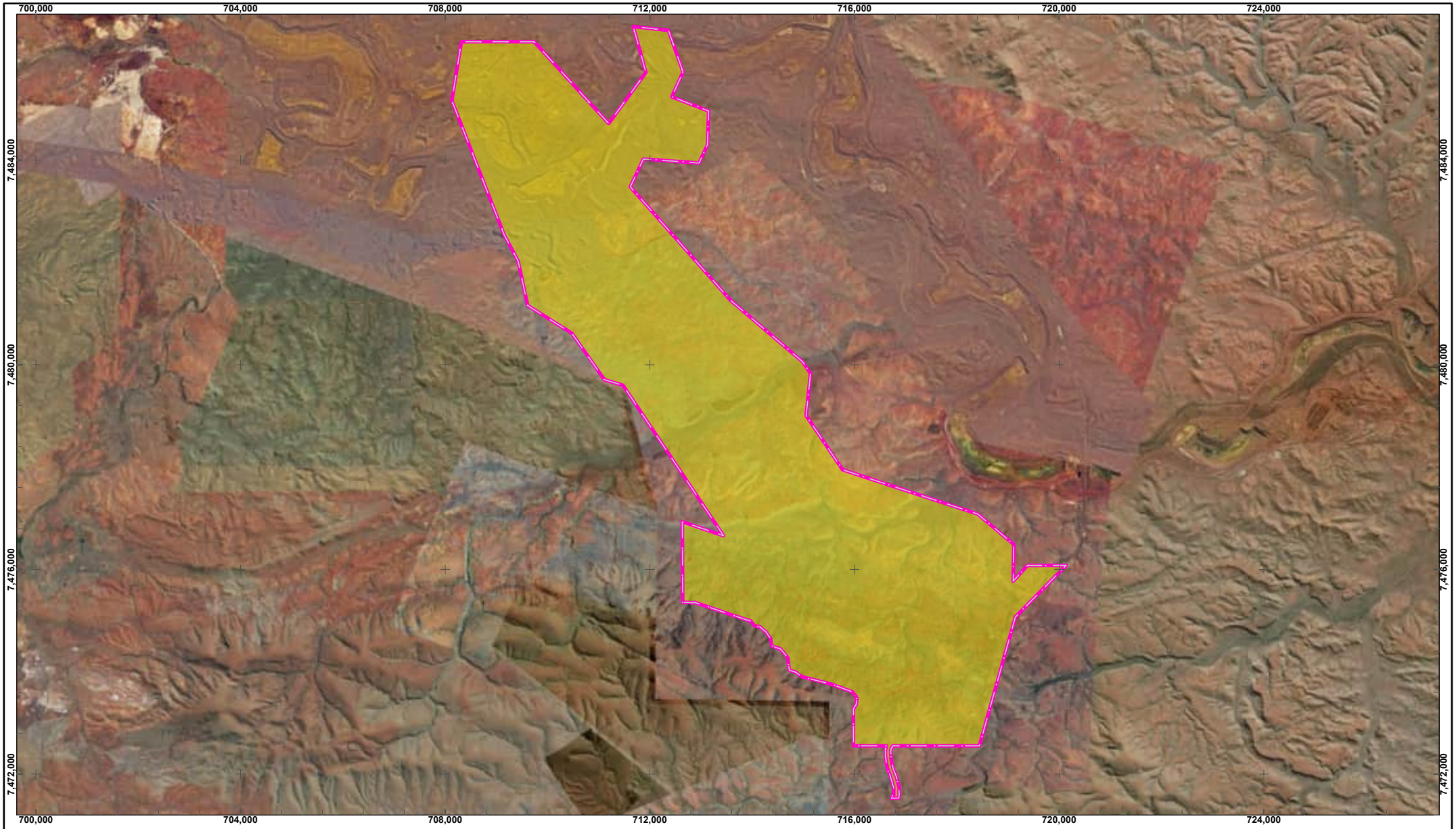
Table 3-65 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2025 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 01 July 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Mine and associated activities and operations	0.00	0.00
Total	**0.00**	**0.00**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 01 July 2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	0.00	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**0.00**	**0.00**

Table 3-66 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1105 – Derived Proposal Ministers North

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0.00
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.00
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.00
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0.00
22	Laydown or hardstand area	0.00
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.00
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.00
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0.00
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	0.00
30	Topsoil stockpile	0.00
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0.00
32	Not Applicable	0.00



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1105(3):M1-1	Derived Proposals	Proposals referred to the EPA and declared to be derived proposals containing one or more of the Developments (including the Associated Activities and Operations) listed in Column 1 of Table 2, within the location described in Column 2 shall not exceed the Description of Limits or Extent, relevant to the Developments provided for in Column 3 of Table 2.	Implement proposal in accordance with criteria in MS1105 Schedule 1, Table 2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	The Ministers North proposal received S45b notice sign off on 08 June 2026.
1105(3):M2-1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	NR	No change of name or address has occurred during the reporting period.
1105(3):M3-1	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is not substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1, the proposal may not be implemented.	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Prior to 8 June 2031	C	The Ministers North project gated into Execution in July 2026.
1105(3):M3-2	Time Limit for Substantial Commencement	If the proposal is substantially commenced in accordance with condition 3-1, the proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that it has complied with condition 3-1 no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of five (5) years from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1.	Written evidence of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Copy of written evidence to the CEO of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Overall	Prior to 8 July 2031	C	The Ministers North project has not yet commenced but scheduled to commence Q3/Q4 2026
1105(3):M4-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	Prepare a CAP	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	Six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	C	The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M4-2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of records concerning compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Submit a CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	Six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	C	The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M4-3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2 the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Complete the assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	After receiving notice in writing that the plan satisfies the requirements Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.

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1105(3):M4-4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	CAR (as part of the AER) retained in electronic format in an internal Document Management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, will be retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1105(3):M4-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO in writing of any potential non-compliance including exceedance of threshold criteria and/or failure to implement management actions in an Environmental Management Plan within seven (7) days of that potential non-compliance being known.	Written notification to the CEO	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising of potential non-compliance Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Within seven days of the potential non-compliance being known	C	There have been no non-compliances in this reporting period.
1105(3):M4-6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report annually by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO.	Submit CAR	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	A Compliance Assessment Report for the Ministers North proposal is included in this document. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M4-7	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; (3) identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (4) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (5) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 4-1.	Submit a CAR to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal	C	The assessment of compliance for the Ministers North proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M4-8	Compliance Reporting	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Compliance Assessment Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Revise CAP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted CAP	Overall	When required for the life of proposal	C	The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M4-9	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Compliance Assessment Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 4-2.	Implementation of the CAP	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period. The assessment of compliance for the Ministers North proposal in accordance with the requirements of condition 4-6 is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1105(3):M5-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO after the issue of the Section 45A Notice1 and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal.	All validated environmental data, environmental plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the strategic proposal and implementation of this proposal (subject to Condition 5-2) made publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.
1105(3):M5-2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 5-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information;	Written request to the CEO for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO to not make the data publicly available.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.

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		the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.						
1105(3):M6-1	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare and submit Condition Environmental Management Plans: (1) prior to ground-disturbing activities, and within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, to demonstrate that the environmental objectives specified in the conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal will be met.	Prepare and submit EMPs as required by Section 45B Notice: Statement 1105 – No 2.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA and CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbing activities and and within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	The Ministers North S45B Notice was issued on 08 June 2026. The management plans required by conditions 7, 8, 10, 11, 15 and 16 of MS1105 were submitted to DWER as follows: • Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation EMP (v2) was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. • Condition 8 Terrestrial Fauna EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. • Condition 10 Water EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. • Condition 11 Air Quality EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. • Condition 15 Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025. • Condition 16 Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025
1105(3):M6-2	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) shall: (1) specify environmental outcomes that achieve the environmental objectives, specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (2) specify trigger criteria that will provide early warning for the implementation of trigger level actions if exceeded; (3) specify threshold criteria that provides a limit beyond which the environmental outcome is not achieved; (4) specify monitoring to determine if trigger criteria and threshold criteria are exceeded; (5) specify trigger level actions to be implemented in the event that trigger criteria have been exceeded; (6) specify threshold contingency actions to be implemented in the event that threshold criteria are exceeded; (7) provide the format and timing for the reporting of monitoring results against trigger criteria and threshold criteria to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been	Prepare outcome-based or objective-based EMPs.	Copy of EMPs submitted to the EPA	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The management plans were drafted in line with the criteria of Condition 6-2. All are still under review.

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		met over the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6; and (8) provide for reporting of exceedances of the trigger and threshold criteria. Or where it is not possible to specify environmental outcomes for the proposal: (9) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (10) specify risk-based management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal; (11) specify measurable management target(s) to determine the effectiveness of the risk-based management actions; (12) specify monitoring to measure the effectiveness of management actions against management targets, including but not limited to, parameters to be measured, baseline data, monitoring locations, and frequency and timing of monitoring; (13) specify a process for revision of management actions and changes to proposal activities, in the event that the management targets are not achieved. The process shall include an investigation to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (14) provide the format and timing to demonstrate that the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met for the reporting period in the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 4-6 including, but not limited to: (a) verification of the implementation of management actions; and (b) reporting on the effectiveness of management actions against management target(s).						
1105(3):M6-3	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The failure to implement one or more management actions, the exceedance of a threshold criteria (regardless of whether threshold contingency actions have been or are being implemented in accordance with condition 6-7(2)), and/or comply with the requirements of a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) represents non-compliance with these conditions.	If required, report failure to implement an action, exceedance of a threshold, or failure to comply with requirements of EMP as a non-compliance.	Copy of written advice to the CEO of any non-compliance.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	No failure to implement management actions during the reporting period identified. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M6-4	Condition Environmental Management Plan	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) satisfies the requirements of relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal, the proponent shall: (1) implement the provisions of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s); and (2) continue to implement the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the proponent has demonstrated the objectives specified in the relevant conditions referred to in the Section 45A Notice1 for the proposal have been met.	Implement the endorsed EMP	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	All management plans are still under review and formal notice of satisfaction from the CEO has not yet been received by BHP.
1105(3):M6-5	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 6-5(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause(s) of the management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 6-5(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	C	There has been no indication that a non-achievement of a management target occurred during the reporting period. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.

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1105(3):M6-6	Condition Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) has not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to determine the potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement the management action(s); (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 6-6(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause of the failure to implement the management actions; (b) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-6(2) and 6-6(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s . Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	C	There has been no indication that a failure to implement a management action occurred during the reporting period. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M6-7	Condition Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicates exceedance of trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria specified in a Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of the exceedance being identified; (2) immediately implement the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions specified in the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) and continue implementation of those actions until the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria are being met and implementation of the trigger level actions and/or threshold contingency actions are no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded; (4) identify additional measures required to prevent the trigger criteria and/or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; (5) investigate to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (6) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the exceedance being reported. The report shall include: (a) details of any trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the trigger level actions or threshold contingency actions implemented, monitored and measured against trigger criteria and threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-7(3) and 6-7(5); (d) additional measures to prevent the trigger or threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; and (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm or alteration of the environment which may have occurred.	If required, report any trigger or threshold exceedance/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any trigger or threshold exceedance/s. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO . Statement of non-compliance for threshold exceedances. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the exceedance to the CEO within 7 days of the trigger or threshold exceedance/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 90 days of the reporting the trigger or threshold exceedance/s to the CEO	NR	A management plan trigger criteria or threshold has not been exceeded during the reporting period. The Ministers North Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M6-8	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), or (2) shall review and revise the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s) as and when directed by the CEO.	Review and revise EMPs as required, or when directed by the CEO.	Copy of submitted EMPs	Overall	Life of proposal	C	There have been no requests to review or revise the Ministers North Condition Environmental Management Plans during the reporting period.
1105(3):M6-9	Condition Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Condition Environmental Management Plan(s), which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 6-3.	Implement the latest endorsed version of EMPs.	Copy of endorsed EMPs	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan has been endorsed and implemented; the remaining management plans are still under review.
1105(3):M7-1	Flora and Vegetation Environmental	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective:	Implement the endorsed FVEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation EMP (v2) was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP

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	Management Plan	(1) protect flora and vegetation so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of flora taxa declared as threatened flora under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa listed as priority flora; (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the occurrences of threatened and priority ecological communities, and their habitat.		contained within the AER.				and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M7-2	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Flora and Vegetation Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 7-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the FVEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 7-1 relevant to the PB23 BWT Proposal.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	Condition 7 Flora and Vegetation EMP (v2) was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M7-3	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The Flora and Vegetation Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: changes to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; changes to surface water flows and quality; dust; fire regimes, and weeds.	The FVEMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on conservation significant flora and vegetation.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Ministers North Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was developed in line with the requirements of conditions 6-2 and 7-3 and was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M7-4	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Flora and Vegetation Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 7-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the FVEMP.	Written endorsement of the FVEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed FVEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Ministers North Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan was submitted to DWER on 7 May 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M8-1	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect terrestrial fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) maintain the local and regional populations of terrestrial fauna taxa that are listed as threatened or specially protected under the relevant legislation; (b) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the habitat of terrestrial fauna that is specially protected under the relevant legislation; (c) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on terrestrial fauna listed as priority fauna, and its habitat; and (d) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on conservation significant short-range endemic fauna.	Implement the endorsed TFEMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Terrestrial Fauna EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M8-2	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Prepare the TFEMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 8-1 relevant to the Ministers North Proposal.	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Terrestrial Fauna EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife .Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(3):M8-3	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental	The Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on conservation	The TFEMP includes provisions (components) to	Version 0 of the FVEMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Terrestrial Fauna EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.

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	Management Plan	significant fauna, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: loss of habitat, changes to surface water regimes; risk of vehicle strikes; changes to fire regimes; emissions of dust, light and noise; and impacts from feral animals.	address impacts on conservation significant terrestrial fauna.					DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M8-4	Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Terrestrial Fauna Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 8-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the TFEMP.	Written endorsement of the TFEMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed TFEMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Terrestrial Fauna EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M10-1	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) maintain the hydrological regimes and quality of groundwater and surface water so that environmental values are protected, including where relevant avoiding and minimising direct and indirect impacts of the proposal, on: (a) Fortescue Marsh; (b) hydrological regimes that support threatened and priority ecological communities; (c) proclaimed Public Drinking Water Source Areas; (d) permanent and ephemeral rock pools; (e) wetlands which are Ramsar listed, or listed in the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia; (f) wild rivers; (g) wetland types which may be poorly represented; (h) natural springs; (i) ecosystems which support conservation significant flora/ vegetation and fauna species or communities, including migratory waterbirds, bats, groundwater dependent biota and subterranean fauna; and (j) ecosystems which support significant amenity, recreation and cultural values.	Implement the endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Water EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M10-2	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare a Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1, in consultation with the agency responsible for administration of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*.	Revise the EPWRMP and prepare the WMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 10-1 relevant to the OB23 BWT Proposal.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP submitted to the CEO in January 2024.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground disturbance	C	The Water EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period. DWER consults with the DBCA as the relevant agency for the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*, and the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* as part of the assessment process.
1105(3):M10-3	Water Environmental Management Plan	The Water Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: water abstraction; managed aquifer recharge; disposal of mine dewater to surface water systems; diversion of surface water systems; discharge of wastes to storage or evaporative basins and dewatering of aquifers and exposure of potentially acid forming material or the creation of acid and metalliferous drainage.	The EPWRMP and WMP include provisions (components) to address impacts on hydrological regimes and water quality.	Version 8 of the EPWRMP and Version 2 of the WMP submitted January 2024.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Water EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M10-4	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Water Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 10-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the EPWRMP and the WMP.	Written endorsement of the EPWRMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed EPWRMP and WMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Water EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 19 February 2026. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(1):M11-1	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) maintain air quality and minimise emissions so that environmental values are protected, and in particular:	Implement the endorsed AQMP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Air Quality EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are

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		(a) meet recognised air quality standards and criteria, including: (i) National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure for carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, sulfur dioxide, lead, particles as PM10 and PM2.5; or (ii) other guidelines on a proposal specific basis as determined by the CEO.						currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(1):M11-2	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall prepare an Air Quality Management Plan required by condition 6-1 that satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2, to meet the objectives specified in condition 11-1.	Prepare the AQMP to meet the objectives specified in Condition 11-1.	Version 1 of the AQMP submitted to the EPA in January 2023.	Pre-construction	Life of proposal	C	The Air Quality EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(1):M11-3	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The Air Quality Management Plan required by condition 6-1 shall include provisions2 required by condition 6-2 to address impacts on air quality, where relevant, including from, but not limited to: dust emissions due to clearing of vegetation; emissions from power plants; mining (including blasting), handling, stockpiling and transport of iron ore; and crushing and screening of materials.	The AQMP includes provisions (components) to address impacts on air quality.	Version 1 of the AQMP submitted January 2023.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Air Quality EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(1):M11-4	Air Quality Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Air Quality Management Plan most recently approved by the CEO until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan required by condition 6-1 satisfies the requirements of condition 6-2 to meet the objectives specified in condition 11-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the AQMP.	Written endorsement of the AQMP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed AQMP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Air Quality EMP (v1) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025. DWER have provided feedback on 4 June 2026. BHP are currently updating the EMP and will resubmit within the next reporting period.
1105(3):M15-1	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and the site of the proposal rehabilitated to be safe, stable and non-polluting and in an ecologically appropriate and sustainable manner.	Implement the endorsed MCP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M15-2	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	Within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO, the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines), on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety and, where the proposal impacts on land managed pursuant to the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*, the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.	Prepare and submit the MCP.	Copy of submitted MCP.	Pre-construction	Within six (6) months from the date of issue of the Section 45A Notice1 or as otherwise agreed in writing by the CEO	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M15-3	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The plan required by condition 15-2 shall include provisions to address the following: (1) specify the environmental objectives to be achieved, as specified in condition 15-1; (2) specify the management actions that will be implemented to demonstrate compliance with the environmental objectives specified in condition 15-1. Failure to implement one or more of these management actions represents non-compliance with these conditions; (3) the provisions2 required by conditions 6-2(11) to 6-2(13); and (4) demonstrate the validity of assumptions used in the Mine Closure Plan and consideration of the effects of breakdown of those assumptions.	Prepare the MCP to include required provisions (components).	Revision 3.1 of the MCP submitted to the EPA in October 2022.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M15-4	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s) specified in the Mine Closure Plan, the proponent shall: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management targets not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 15-4(1). The report shall include: (a) cause of management targets not being achieved; (b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 15-4(2);	If required, report any non-achievements in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any non-achievements. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified Provide the investigation report within 90 days of reporting the non-achievement to the CEO	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.

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		(c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.						
1105(3):M15-5	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in the Mine Closure Plan have not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement management action/s in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement management actions; (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 15-5(1). The report shall include: (a) cause for failure to implement management actions; (b) the findings of the investigation required by conditions 15-5(2) and 15-5(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	If required, report any failure to implement action/s in writing to the CEO and undertaken investigations.	Copy of written report to the CEO of any failure to implement action/s. Statement of non-compliance. Copy of investigation report submitted to the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action to the CEO within 7 days of the failure to implement action/s being identified Provide the investigation report to the CEO within 21 days of reporting the failure to implement action/s to the CEO	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M15-6	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 15 at intervals not exceeding three (3) years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO, and submit the plan to the CEO at the agreed interval.	Review and revise the MCP.	Copy of revised MCP submitted to the CEO.	Overall	At least every 3 years for the life of the proposal	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M15-7	Rehabilitation and decommissioning	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 15-2, to meet the objectives of condition 15-1.	Implement the latest endorsed version of the MCP.	Written endorsement of the MCP from the CEO. Copy of endorsed MCP.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	Mine Closure Plan revision 1 was submitted to EPA and DEMIRS on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts as a result of the implementation of the proposal identified in condition 16-2, the proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund (PEOF), calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M16-2	Offsets	The significant residual impacts are: (1) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (2) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(1) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Hamersley and/or Chichester IBRA subregion; (3) clearing of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including habitat for threatened fauna species, within the Fortescue IBRA subregion; (4) clearing of native vegetation referred to in condition 16-2(3) which has other important or specialised environmental values within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.	Significant residual impacts identified in the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M16-3	Offsets	The proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to conditions 16-4 and 16-5, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 16-11.	Contribute funds PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF, including any reduction approved by the CEO.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M16-4	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund shall be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the following calculation: C = R x H Where:	Contribute funds to the PEOF, calculated as per the IRP.	Copy of endorsed IRP. Written confirmation from the DWER of contribution of funds to the PEOF.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.

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		C = the contribution to the fund for clearing done in the relevant year R = contribution rate for the year in which the clearing is undertaken as published for the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund by the CEO for each significant residual impact identified in condition 16-2. H = number of hectares of land cleared in the relevant year for each significant residual impact referred to in condition 16-2.						
1105(3):M16-5	Offsets	The first biennial reporting period shall commence at the beginning of the financial year that ground-disturbing activities causing one or more of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2 are undertaken.	Prepare the first Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for the biannual reporting period commencing at the beginning of the financial year when ground-disturbing activities are first undertaken.	IRR submitted to DWER.	Construction	The first biennial reporting period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026 (first IRR submitted prior to 30 September 2026)	C	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.
1105(3):M16-6	Offsets	Prior to ground-disturbing activities, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Prepare and submit IRP to CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	CLD	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-7	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 16-6 shall: (1) state that clearing calculations for each biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; (2) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the significant residual impacts identified in condition 16-2; and (3) indicate the timing and content of the Impact Reconciliation Reports.	Prepare IRP to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted IRP.	Overall	Life of proposal	CLD	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-8	Offsets	The proponent shall not commence ground-disturbing activities, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO, until the CEO has confirmed in writing that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 16-7.	Endorsement of the IRP by the CEO.	Written endorsement dated 21 December 2023 by the authorised delegate the CEO of Version 2 of the IRP from the CEO.	Pre-construction	Prior to ground-disturbance	CLD	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-9	Offsets	The proponent shall submit Impact Reconciliation Reports in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 16-8.	Submit IRR in accordance with the IRP.	Copy of submitted IRR.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-10	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Reports required pursuant to condition 16-9 shall provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken within each biennial reporting period.	IRR contain location and spatial extent of clearing.	Copy of submitted IRR. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Biennially for the life of proposal	C	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 17 October 2025.
1105(3):M16-11	Offsets	The proponent may seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 16-4 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; (2) the payment counterbalances impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance; and (3) the payment counterbalances the significant residual impacts to the environmental values identified in condition 16-2.	If required, written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Written approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	The Ministers north Project did not commence in the FY2026 reporting period.

1. Now Section 45B since the 2020 amendments to the EP Act
2. Provisions now referred to as components in the current version of How to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Environmental Management Plans: Instructions (EPA 2021)
3. The current version of the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans is Statutory Guidelines for Mine Closure Plans (DEMIRS 2023)

3.19 Ministerial Statement 1126

3.19.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1126 (MS1126) – Jimblebar Optimisation Project Revised Proposal for the reporting period between 1 July 2025 and 7 December 2025. The revised proposal is for mining operations at Jimblebar, located approximately 40 kilometres east of the town of Newman. On 19 December 2023, the Jimblebar Significant Amendment was referred to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment, proposing an expansion and amalgamation of MS1126 with Ministerial Statements 439, 1012 and 1021. The resulting Ministerial Statement 1262 (MS1262) was approved on 8 December 2025, at which time MS1126 was superseded.

Mining of iron ore deposits are undertaken above and below the water table. Mining operations include open pits, overburden storage areas and the construction and operation of associated mine, processing, and rail infrastructure. Groundwater is abstracted for water supply and to dewater the orebodies. Surplus water management includes transfer to Ophthalmia Dam, controlled creek discharge and managed aquifer recharge.

3.19.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 1126 – Jimblebar Optimisation Project Revised Proposal was issued on 17 March 2020 and is now operational. This statement supersedes Ministerial Statements 683, 809, 857 and 1029.

3.19.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Jimblebar Optimisation Project
Statement Number	1126
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 7 December 2025		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1126 – Jimblebar Optimisation Project audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were three non-compliances identified against MS1126 during the FY2026 reporting period. The details are provided in the following tables below.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
1126:M7.3 – Water Environmental Management Plan			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Non-compliant.			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
1 July – 5 November 2025			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☑ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally ☑ Reported to DWER in writing	Date _____ Date 12/09/2022 (ID 0032254)	☐ No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
The water depth of monitoring bores HCM0043M and HCM0044M exceeded the groundwater level threshold criterion of 25 meters below groundwater level, with a water level between 12 to 13 meters below ground level. The two monitoring bores were installed in March 2022 as part of Works Approval W6346/2020/1 and monitored prior to Caramulla reinjection commencing in July 2022. Monitoring data from March 2022, prior to reinjection commencing in April 2022, showed the groundwater level for the two bores sitting between 12 to 13 meters below ground level. This data was reported in the Time Limited Operations Report submitted to DWER 19 September 2022 (ID 0032254).			

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates).

The two monitoring bores are part of the Caramulla MAR scheme, which was commissioned in April 2022 during the Time Limited Operations Period for Works Approval W6346/2020/1 and were operational following the Licence Amendment on 19 July 2022. The coordinates of the two shallow bores are below.

Monitoring Bore	Easting	Northing
HCM0043M	220614.59	7411804.05
HCM0044M	222285.69	7412022.69

What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

The cause of the non-compliance is deemed as natural and representative of local baseline conditions and is not in response to Caramulla MAR injection.

What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

Two new monitoring bores were submitted as an amendment to L5415/1988/9 which was approved by DWER on 5 November 2025. HCM0043M and HCM0044M have been removed from L5415/1988/9 and replaced with adjacent bores HCM0008M and HCM0029M to provide a better representation of groundwater levels within the regional aquifer.

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?

The two shallow monitoring bores (HCM0043M and HCM0044M) were monitored until the two replacement bores (HCM0008M and HCM0029M**)** were approved under Licence L5415/1988/9 in November 2025. The new monitoring bores have been installed to monitor mounding related to the Caramulla reinjection scheme.

Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:

There is no further relevant information to provide.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

1126:M7.3 – Water Environmental Management Plan

Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?

Non-compliant.

On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?

16 July 2025

Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?

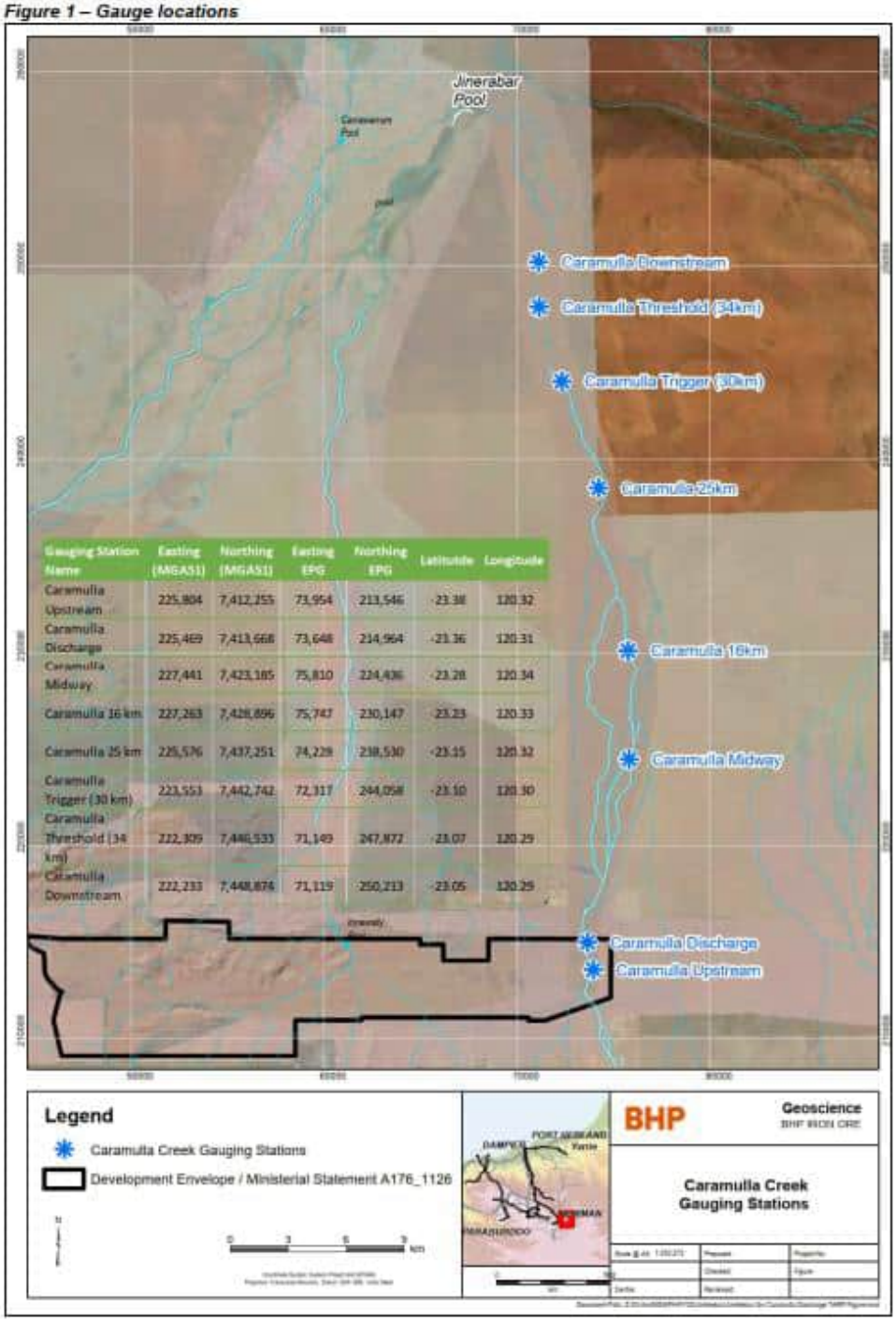
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What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

The Caramulla Creek wetting front exceeded the authorised extent of 34 km on 16 July 2025 following a sustained discharge rate of 15 ML/day from mid-March to end of April 2025. BHP was alerted to the exceedance via an automated alarm generated by the Caramulla Creek monitoring gauge network. At the time, both the 30 km trigger gauge and the 34 km compliance gauge were offline due to damage caused by past significant flow events. As a result, the exceedance was identified through alternative monitoring within the gauge network.

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates).

Figure 1 – Gauge locations



Gauging Station Name	Easting (MGA51)	Northing (MGA51)	Easting EPG	Northing EPG	Latitude	Longitude
Caramulla Upstream	225,804	7,412,255	73,954	213,546	-23.38	120.32
Caramulla Discharge	225,469	7,413,668	73,648	214,964	-23.36	120.31
Caramulla Midway	227,441	7,423,185	75,810	224,436	-23.28	120.34
Caramulla 16 km	227,263	7,426,896	75,747	230,147	-23.23	120.33
Caramulla 25 km	225,576	7,437,251	74,228	238,530	-23.15	120.32
Caramulla Trigger (30 km)	223,553	7,442,742	72,317	244,058	-23.10	120.30
Caramulla Threshold (34 km)	222,309	7,446,533	71,149	247,872	-23.07	120.29
Caramulla Downstream	222,233	7,448,874	71,119	250,213	-23.05	120.29

What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

The non-compliance occurred because key creek gauging stations were offline at the time due to damage caused by significant flow events and associated equipment failures. Specifically, both the 30 km trigger gauge and the 34 km compliance gauge were unavailable, preventing accurate assessment of the wetting front progression. Consequently, the exceedance was detected when the wetting front reached a downstream monitoring location beyond the authorised 34 km limit.

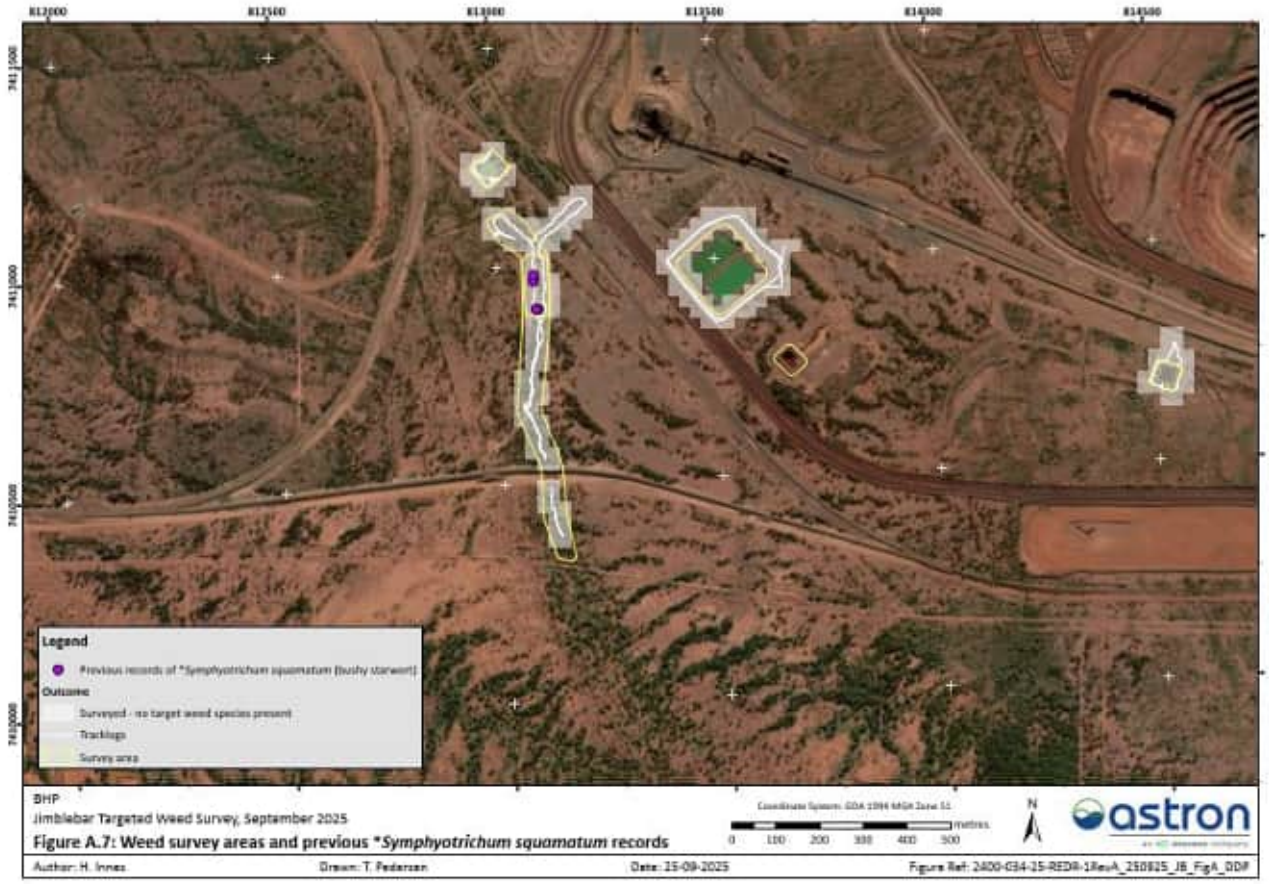
The remote location of the creek line further complicated maintenance and repair activities. The 10 km, 16 km and 25 km gauging stations are accessible only by helicopter, which can delay maintenance response times. The detection of the exceedance was likely delayed due to aerial inspections of the creek wetting front being conducted on a quarterly basis.

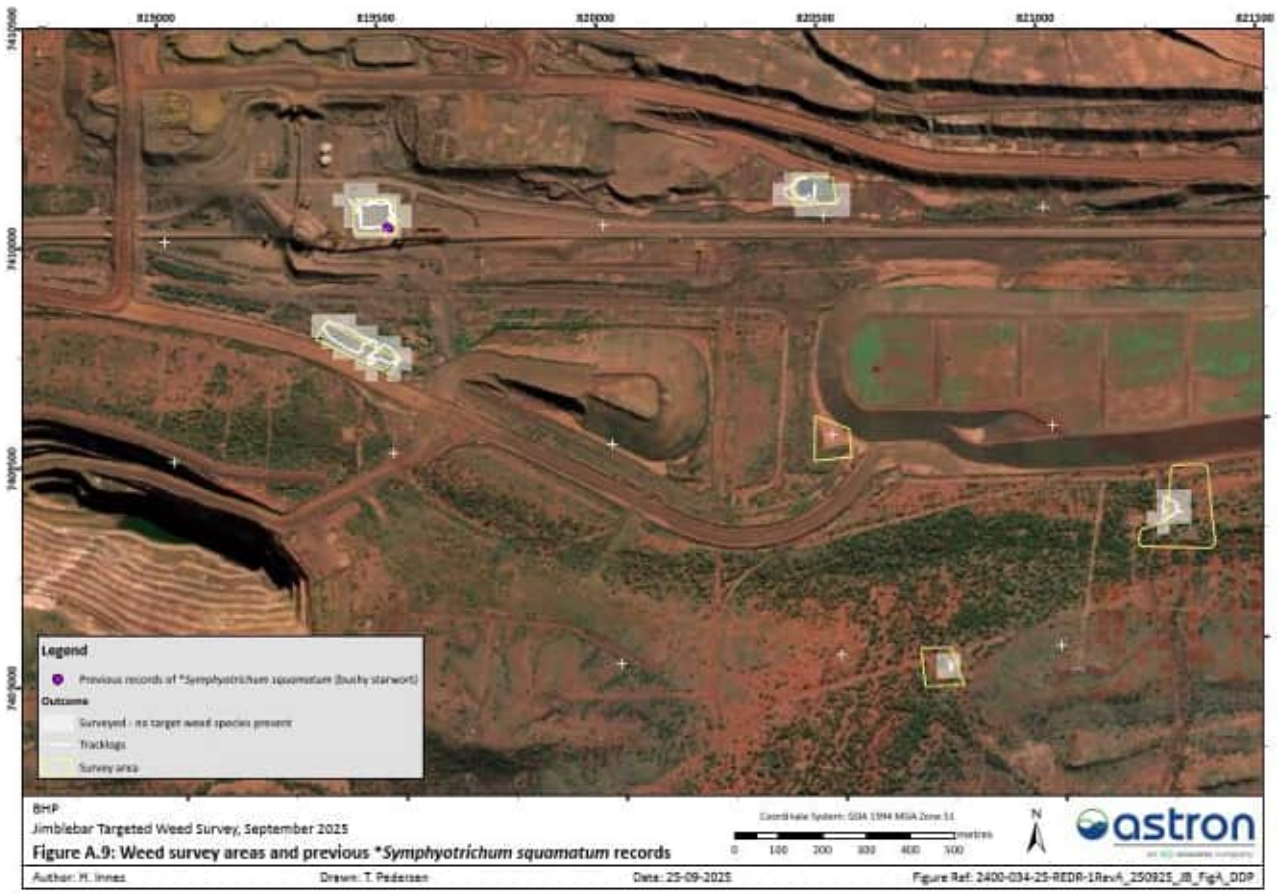
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

BHP Water Planning teams reviewed the available gauge data and determined that the change in water level at the downstream gauge could not be attributed to natural flow events. Following this, discharge was ceased to Caramulla Creek as soon as practicable at 10:10am on 17 July 2025, as per the requirement '*if exceedance of threshold criterion is considered likely to be attributable to surface water discharge, cease surface discharge into Caramulla Creek'* in the Jimblebar Water Management Plan (JWMP).
Site personnel mobilised to validate the wetting front on 17 July 2025 and confirmed that the wetting front had exceeded the trigger and threshold monitoring points and continued further downstream. The Caramulla Creek trigger and threshold points were visually inspected again on 22 July 2025, and the wetting front no longer exceeded the trigger and threshold locations.

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?
Creek gauging monitors were duplicated at 10 km, 16 km, and 25 km, 30 km and 34 km from the discharge point to allow water depth and presence of flow to be recorded. The gauges use telemetry to provide this data on an hourly basis, with the data hosted online. The system uses SMS alarms for the trigger, threshold and Caramulla Downstream locations. All damaged monitoring gauges were replaced with new model gauges and telecommunications. To add a level of redundancy, backup gauges were installed in all locations except the upstream and discharge locations (these locations are easily accessible). In addition, the satellite imagery capture frequency has been increased from quarterly to monthly. The 'winter or dry season' maximum discharge rate was also reduced from 15 ML/day to 10 ML/day. BHP will continue to review and refine this limit as seasonal creek capacity is better understood through analysis of satellite and creek gauge data.
Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:
There is no further relevant information to provide.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
1126:M5.3 – Flora and Vegetation Management Plan			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Non-compliant.			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
16 July 2025			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☑ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally ☑ Reported to DWER in writing	Date _____ Date 16/07/2025 (ID 0208002)	☐ No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
During the Jimblebar annual weed monitoring program conducted by Ecocene Environmental consultants on 13 to 15 April 2025, a new species of weed was identified within the MS1126 boundary. The weed *Symphyotrichum squamatum* was found in a drainage line to the South of the Jimblebar Ore Handling Plant. WA Herbarium confirmed the identification on the 1July 2025.			
What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates).			





What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
While the investigation was unable to definitively identify an introduction pathway of *Symphyotrichum squamatum*, wind was the most likely vector of establishment of the species. Other potential introductory pathways include seed dispersal by water, livestock as well as vehicular and machinery movements. *Symphyotrichum squamatum* has previously been identified at the nearby Eastern Ridge and Mt Whaleback Iron Ore mines.
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
BHP has expanded the scope of the annual weed monitoring and control program to include targeting *Symphyotrichum squamatum*. Future monitoring and control programs for *Symphyotrichum squamatum* will occur post wet season to optimise control outcomes. BHP will continue to implement the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan (FVMP).
What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if @any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?
See detail above.
Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:
There is no further relevant information to provide.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* .... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.19.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1126 and covers:

- Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan;
- Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan;
- Water Environmental Management Plan;
- Rehabilitation and Decommissioning;
- Ministerial Statement 1126 Authorised Extent;
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan

The Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) is regarded as the active plan for managing activities associated with clearing of native vegetation, surface water drainage and general mining activities, including surface water drainage.

The following management provisions were required during the FY2026 reporting period:

- ***Eremophila capricornica:*** Annual tracking and review of known *Eremophila capricornica* populations within the development envelope by site was completed through the Global Land Use Permit (GLUP, formerly known as PEAHR) process.
- **Weeds:** Annual weed mapping was undertaken between 25 to 27 February 2026, with the annual weed control program undertaken 30 June – 8 July 2026 by Ecocene Environmental Services (after MS1126 was superseded). The program surveyed and treated weeds across rehabilitation areas, topsoil storage areas, drainage lines, discharge points and the Jimblebar Hub.
- **Weeds:** The biennial weed monitoring program was completed in FY2026 between 25 to 29 May 2026 to determine the presence of weeds and compare the cover of weeds within and outside the Development Envelope. No statistically significant difference was identified between weeds within and outside of the mine footprint. The next biennial weed program will take place in FY2028.
- **Caramulla Creek Riparian Vegetation:** Biannual Caramulla Creek riparian vegetation monitoring was completed between 1 to 6 October 2025 and 20 to 25 March 2026 by Spectrum Ecology. At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has only received an interim, post dry report and has not received the Annual Report regarding the outcomes of the monitoring program. The interim report found there was one statistically significant decline at impact site CC_M04 in foliage cover. There were no other statistically significant declines at other impact sites and there was no exceedances of a trigger or threshold value. The results from the final report will be included in the FY2027 AER.

Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan

Two monitoring events were undertaken by Stantec Australia for the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont Community Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) to satisfy the management targets of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP, Version 6.0) Schedule 1a:

- **Event 1:** 5 to 11 November 2025 to capture conditions at the end of the dry season.
- **Event 2:** 20 to 26 March 2026 to capture conditions at the end of the wet season.

Based on the summary information from the field survey available at the time of this report preparation, there are no known exceedances of management targets as described in the EPWRMP, BHP considers that the outcome *'minimises impacts to the Ethel Gorge Threatened Ecological Community'* has been achieved for the FY2026 reporting period. There have been no exceedances of trigger criteria for water quality (Total Dissolved Solids) and water quality (groundwater levels) identified in the Ethel Gorge Primary Habitat Monitoring Zone.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has received a draft version of the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program annual report (prepared by Stantec). A summary of the findings are as follows:

- In general, there were no detectable changes in the physico-chemical parameters of groundwater in relation to mining activities during the FY2025 stygofauna monitoring program, based on standing water levels (SWLs) and groundwater quality. Groundwater levels remained stable across the monitoring, with minor fluctuations consistent historical variability. Physico-chemical parameters were generally consistent with historical data and did not indicate a deterioration in groundwater quality attributable to mining activities. .While elevated dissolved copper and zinc concentrations were identified during the monitoring period, no corresponding ecological impacts were recorded and do not currently represent a risk to the Ethel Gorge Aquifer Stygobiont TEC.
- Stygofauna abundance and species diversity during the FY2025 monitoring program were among the highest recorded since monitoring commenced. Total abundance was substantially higher than that observed during the FY2024 monitoring program and was driven by high abundances of copepods and other taxa present in the monitoring area. Diversity remained comparable, or greater than, monitoring results from previous years.

- The findings of the Program along with previous programs indicate that current groundwater management practices have been appropriate to prevent potential impacts to the Ethel Gorge stygofauna TEC from BHP WAIO operations. It is also considered that adequate saturation of the core habitat has been maintained, enabling the persistence of stygofauna.

At the time of preparation of this Compliance Assessment Report, BHP has not received an Annual Report regarding the outcomes of the FY2026 stygofauna monitoring program. It is not anticipated that any significant impacts to the Ethel Gorge TEC will be highlighted through the report.

Water Environmental Management Plan

The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) is regarded as the active plan and was prepared to meet the requirements of Condition 7-2 of MS1126.

The following management provisions were required during the FY2026 reporting period:

- **Jimblebar Creek wetting front extent:** The Jimblebar Creek discharge was not used in this reporting period and wetting front monitoring was not required. As discussed in the FY2025 reporting period, rising stage samplers have been installed in Jimblebar creek with results discussed in Section 2 of the AER above.
- **Caramulla Creek wetting front extent:** Monitoring of the wetting front from Caramulla Creek discharge from FJB0017 and FJB0018 was undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period. The wetting front extent was monitored through real-time monitoring stations along Caramulla Creek and monthly aerial monitoring of the wetting front. One exceedance of the wetting front limit was observed during the FY2026 reporting period (detailed further in the non-compliance section above).
- **Caramulla MAR groundwater level rise (mounding):** Monitoring of reinjection into the Caramulla MAR scheme was undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period. As reported in the Time Limited Operations Report submitted to DWER 19 September 2022 (ID 0032254), two monitoring bores (HCM0043M and HCM0044M) are significantly shallower than the other bores, sitting between 12-13 mbgl, exceeding the trigger and threshold criterion of 29 m and 25 m respectively. Further investigation determined that the bores are not representative of a response to mounding in the area, being located within a perched aquifer. A Licence Amendment to Part V Licence 5415/1988/9 was approved 3 November 2025 to replace groundwater monitoring bores HCM0043M and HCM0044M with more representative bores HCM0008M and HCM0029M.

Rehabilitation and Decommissioning

The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 3; March 2021) is regarded as the current active plan to manage rehabilitation and decommissioning impacts.

Ministerial Statement 1126 Authorised Extent

Table 3-68 Ministerial Statement 1126 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Mine and associated infrastructure	Clearing of no more than 6,902 ha of native vegetation within the development envelope of 14,206 ha.	Compliant. A total of 5,845.50 ha was cleared under MS1126 up to 7 December 2025.
Surplus dewater management	Surplus water management including any or all of the following options: • Discharge of up to 16.425 GL/a to Ophthalmia Dam • Controlled discharge along Caramulla Creek to extend no further than 34 kilometres form the northern boundary of the development envelope under natural no-flow conditions • Managed aquifer recharge in the Caramulla area to limit groundwater level rise to 25 metres below ground level	7.271 GL was discharged at Ophthalmia Dam As detailed above, one exceedance of the Caramulla Creek wetting front was observed during the reporting period. One exceedance of the limit to groundwater level rise to 25 metres below groundwater was observed. Two monitoring bores (HCM0043M and HCM0044M) are significantly shallower than the other bores, sitting between 12-13 mbgl, exceeding the trigger and threshold criterion of 29m and 25m respectively. A Licence Amendment to Part V Licence 5415/1988/9 was approved 3 November 2025 to replace groundwater monitoring bores HCM0043M and HCM0044M with more representative bores HCM0008M and HCM0029M.

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-69 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation under MS1126 relating to the Jimblebar Optimisation Project until MS1126 was superseded on 8 December 2025. Table 3-70 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category until it was superseded on 8 December 2025.

Table 3-69 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1126

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Mine and associated infrastructure	5,738.17	5,845.50
Total	**5,738.17**	**5,845.50**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2025 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	46.74	46.74
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	446.01	499.04
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**492.75**	**545.78**

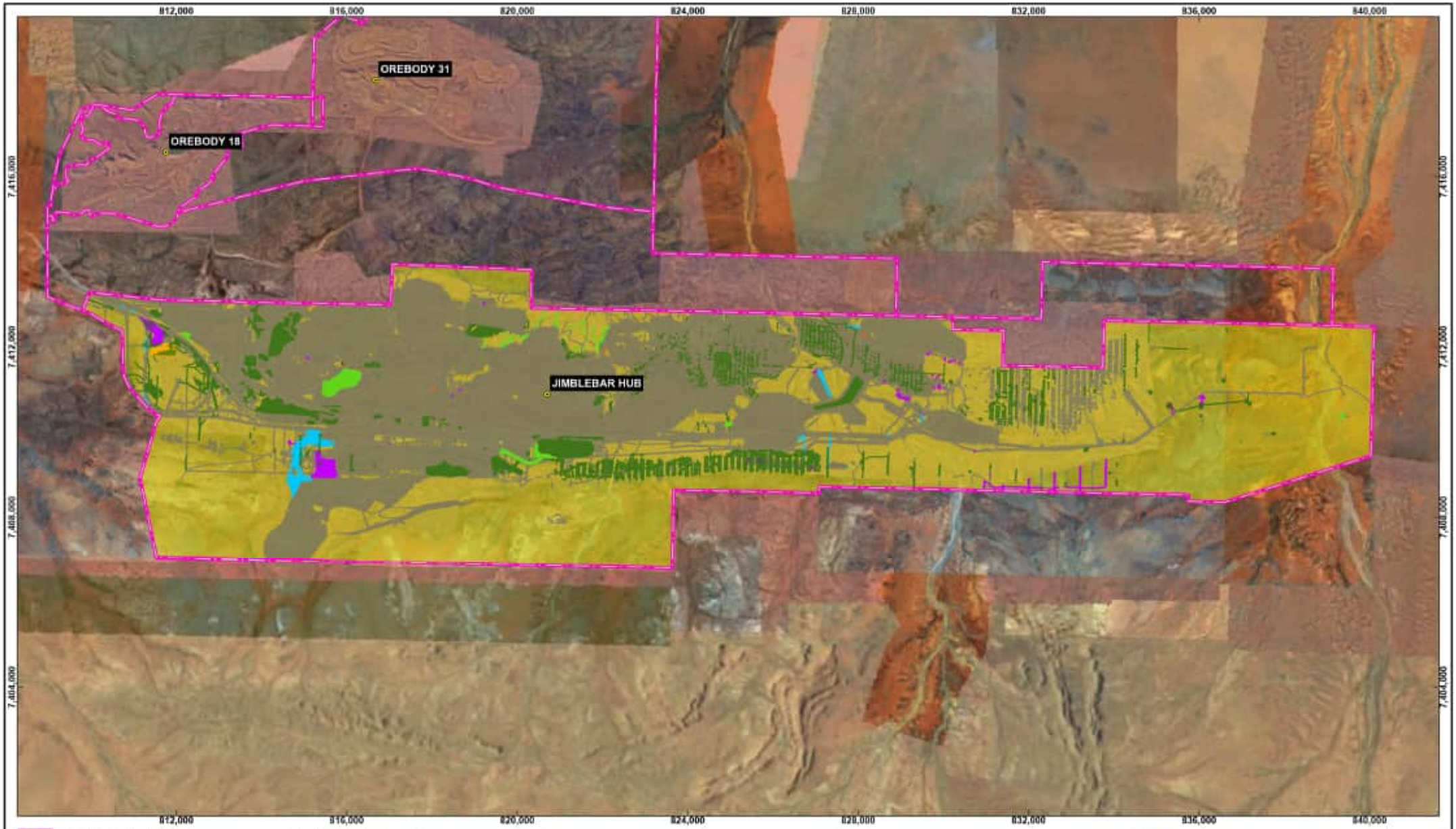
NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

Table 3-70 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1126

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 7 December 2025 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	769.76
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73
3	Evaporation pond	3.66
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	212.19
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	89.55
8	Plant site	63.09
9	Fuel storage facility	1.25
10	Workshop	21.03
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	658.82
12	Landfill site	1.24
13	Diversion channel or drain	40.81
14	Dam fresh water	5.33
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.84
16	Sewage pond	2.90
17	Run-of-mine pad	475.52
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	8.45
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1,088.87
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1,103.56
22	Laydown or hardstand area	164.51
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	134.01
25	Borefield	17.82
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	197.98
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	422.31
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	370.60
30	Topsoil stockpile	247.11
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	175.19
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

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All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
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AUDIT TABLE

Statement Compliance Section
PROJECT: Jimblebar Optimisation Project
Statement 1126

Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DMIRS= Department of Mines, Industry and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1126:M1.1	Proposal Implementation	When implementing the Revised Proposal, the proponent shall not exceed the authorised extent of the Revised Proposal as defined in Table 2 in Schedule 1, unless amendments to the Revised Proposal and the authorised extent of the Revised Proposal have been approved under the EP Act.	Implement project in accordance with criteria in Table 2 in Schedule 1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained within BHP Iron Ore's (BHP's) Annual Environmental Report (AER).	Overall	Ongoing	C	The proposal was implemented from March 2020 in accordance with Table 2 Schedule 1.
1126:M2.1	Contact Details	The proponent shall notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any change in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of any change of name, physical address or postal address.	NR	The current proponent remains BHP Iron Ore.
1126:M3.1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall prepare and maintain a Compliance Assessment Plan, which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition 3-6 whichever is sooner.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan).	Evidence of submission date.	Overall	Submit plan by 1 April 2020.	C	Plan submitted on 31 March 2020 and endorsed 3 April 2020.
1126:M3.2	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan shall indicate: (1) the frequency of compliance reporting; (2) the approach and timing of compliance assessments; (3) the retention of compliance assessments; (4) the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports; and (6) public availability of Compliance Assessment Reports.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan) to the satisfaction of the CEO.	Copy of submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Submit plan by 1 April 2020.	C	Plan submitted on 31 March 2020 and endorsed 3 April 2020.
1126:M3.3	Compliance Reporting	After receiving notice in writing from the CEO that the Compliance Assessment Plan satisfies the requirements of condition 3-2, the proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.	Complete assessment of compliance.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	After receiving notice in writing that the plan satisfies the requirements, annually by 1 October for the life of the proposal.	C	The assessment of compliance in accordance with the Compliance Assessment Plan (CAP) is included in this Compliance Assessment Report (CAR).
1126:M3.4	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.	Compliance assessment reports will be retained in electronic format in an internal document management system.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	When requested by the CEO.	C	Compliance Assessment Reports, as part of the BHP Annual Environment Report, have been retained in an electronic format in an internal document management system. BHP can provide copies of the compliance assessments upon request.
1126:M3.5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven (7) days of that non-compliance being known.	Written notification to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within 7 days of that non-compliance being known. Annually by 1 October for the life of proposal.	C	BHP reported three non-compliances to the CEO for the FY2026 reporting period within seven (7) days of that non-compliance being known. Details of the non-compliances have been captured in the CAR.

AUDIT TABLE

Statement Compliance Section
PROJECT: Jimblebar Optimisation Project
Statement 1126

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1126:M3.6	Compliance Reporting	The proponent shall submit to the CEO a Compliance Assessment Report by 1 October each year addressing compliance in the previous financial year, or as agreed in writing by the CEO. The first Compliance Assessment Report shall be submitted by 1 October 2020 addressing the compliance for the period from the date of issue of this Statement, notwithstanding that the first reporting period may be less than twelve (12) months. The Compliance Assessment Report shall: (1) be endorsed by the proponent's CEO or a person delegated to sign on the CEO's behalf; (2) include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions; identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken; (3) be made publicly available in accordance with the approved Compliance Assessment Plan; and (4) indicate any proposed changes to the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition 3-1.	Submit a CAR.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	By 1 October 2020 then annually thereafter.	C	This is the seventh compliance assessment report since MS1126 came into effect. The CAR will be included in the AER.
1126:M4.1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition 4-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO of the issue of this Statement and for the remainder of the life of the proposal, the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), management plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.	Subject to condition 4-2, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environment plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this Revised Proposal and implementation of this Statement will be publicly available on request.	Evidence of provision of relevant data following request.	Overall	Within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO.	NR	No such request has been received since the proposal came into effect.
1126:M4.2	Public Availability of Data	If any data referred to in condition 4-1 contains particulars of: (1) a secret formula or process; or (2) confidential commercially sensitive information; the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make these data publicly available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Written request to the CEO for an exemption for the provision of environmental data to not be made public.	Approval from CEO to not make these data publicly available.	Overall		NR	See comment for Section 1126:M4.1.
1126:M5.1	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the Revised Proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) protect flora and vegetation so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa listed as priority flora.	Implement the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (Revision 0.1, May 2020), as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the objective specified in condition 5-1.	C	The Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (Version 0.1, May 2020), has been implemented. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1126:M5.2	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	In order to meet the objective specified in condition 5-1, the proponent shall implement the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (Revision 0, November 2019).	Implement the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (Revision 0.1, May 2020), as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the objective specified in condition 5-1.	C	See comment for Section 1126:5.1.
1126:M5.3	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate non-achievement of management target(s), specified in the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan, the proponent must: (1) report the non-achievement in writing to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-achievement being identified; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management target(s) not being achieved; (3) provide a report to the CEO within ninety (90) days of the non-achievement being reported as required by condition 5-3(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause(s) of the management targets not being achieved;	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-achievement of management target(s). Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Report the non-achievement within 21 days of the non-achievement being identified. Provide a report within 90 days of the non-achievement being reported.	NC	One non-achievement of management targets (as outlined in the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan, Version 0.1) have been identified during the FY2026 reporting period. The non-achievement related to the detection of a new weed species (further discussed in the CAR).

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		(b) the findings of the investigation required by condition 5-3(2); (c) details of revised and/or additional management actions to be implemented to prevent non-achievement of the management target(s); and (d) relevant changes to proposal activities.						
1126:M5.4	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	If monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate that one or more management actions specified in the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan has not been implemented, the proponent shall: (1) report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of identification; (2) investigate to determine the cause of the management action(s) not being implemented; (3) investigate to determine the potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to the failure to implement the management action(s); (4) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the reporting required by condition 5-4(1). The report shall include: (a) the cause of the failure to implement the management actions; (b) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 5-4(2) and 5-4(3); (c) relevant changes to proposal activities; and (d) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred.	Prepare, Implement and complete action plan for corrective measures per requirements of condition 5-4(1) to 5-4(4).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance, summary of investigation outcomes and corrective measures implemented. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing within 7 days of identification. Provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the reporting required by condition 5-4(1).	NR	No failure to implement management actions during the reporting period has been identified.
1126:M5.5	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	Failure to implement one or more of the management actions specified in the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan represents non-compliance with these conditions.	Report the failure to implement the management action(s) in writing to the CEO within 21 days of the reporting required by condition 5-4(1).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance, summary of investigation outcomes and corrective measures implemented. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1126:M5.4.
1126:M5.6	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	As and when directed by the CEO. And as required	C	There have been no requests to review or revise the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan during the reporting period. As part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment (submitted on 19/12/2023 and additional information published 24/02/25), a new Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan was submitted and is pending review.
1126:M5.7	Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, addresses the objective specified in condition 5-1.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan.	Written endorsement of the Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the objective specified in condition 5-1.	C	The Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan (Revision 0.1, May 2020) has been implemented. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1126:M5.8	Flora and Vegetation Environmental	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan or any subsequent revisions as approved by the CEO under condition 5-7, until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the objective specified in condition 5-1.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Flora and Vegetation Management Plan.	Written endorsement of revisions to the Flora and Vegetation Environmental	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the	C	See comment for Section 1126:5.7.

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	Management Plan			Management Plan received from the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.		objective specified in condition 5-1.		
1126:M6.1	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental outcome: (1) protect subterranean fauna so that biological diversity and ecological integrity are maintained, and in particular: (a) avoid and minimise direct and indirect impacts on the Ethel Gorge aquifer stygobiont community Threatened Ecological Community.	Implement the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan, as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	C	The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (Version 6, April 2018) has been implemented. Performance is included in 2026 CAR. As part of the Orebody 29, 30 & 35 Significant Amendment (MS1266) and Jimblebar Significant Amendment (MS1262), an updated Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) will be submitted upon approval. The EPWRMP revision submitted on 19 December 2023 no longer requires review and BHP anticipates an updated EPWRMP will be submitted in Q2 of FY2027.
1126:M6.2	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	In order to meet the outcome specified in condition 6-1, the proponent shall implement the Subterranean Fauna provisions of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (Version 6, April 2018) (the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan).	Implement the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan, as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M6.1
1126:M6.3	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate exceedance of threshold criteria specified in the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan, the proponent shall: (1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of the exceedance being identified; (2) implement the threshold contingency actions specified in the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan within twenty-four (24) hours and continue implementation of those actions until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the threshold criteria are being met and the implementation of the threshold contingency actions is no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the threshold criteria being exceeded; (4) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (5) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 6-3(1). The report shall include: (a) details of threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the threshold contingency actions implemented against the threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 6-3(3) and 6-3(4); (d) measures to prevent the threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred; and (f) justification of the threshold remaining, or being adjusted based on better understanding, demonstrating that the outcome will continue to be met.	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Report the exceedance in writing within 7 days of the exceedance being identified. Provide a report within 21 days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 6-3(1).	C	A detailed subterranean fauna survey monitoring program was undertaken during FY2026, with field work completed following both wet and dry season. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.

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1126:M6.4	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The exceedance of a threshold criteria (regardless of whether threshold contingency actions have been or are being implemented) represents non-compliance with these conditions.	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Life of proposal.	NR	Noted.
1126:M6.5	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Implement the most recent version of the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	Written endorsement of revisions to the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M6.1
1126:M6.6	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, addresses the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	Continue to implement the most recent version of the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M6.1
1126:M6.7	Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan or any subsequent revisions as approved by the CEO under condition 6-6, until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	Continue to implement the most recent version of the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan	Written endorsement of revisions to the Subterranean Fauna Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcome specified in condition 6-1.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M6.1
1126:M7-1	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental outcomes: (1) maintain the hydrological regimes and quality of groundwater and surface water so that environmental values are protected, including where relevant avoiding and minimising direct and indirect impacts of the proposal, on: (a) wetland types which may be poorly represented; (b) ecosystems which support conservation significant flora/ vegetation and fauna species or communities, including migratory waterbirds, bats, groundwater dependent biota and subterranean fauna; and (c) ecosystems which support significant amenity, recreation and cultural values.	Prepare and submit a Water Environmental Management Plan to the CEO that meets the requirements of condition 7.1.	Written endorsement of the Water Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	C	The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 1, 7 December 2023) has been implemented. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1126:M7.2	Water Environmental Management Plan	In order to meet the outcomes specified in condition 7-1, the proponent shall implement the Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Revision 0, November 2019).	Prepare and submit a Water Environmental Management Plan to the CEO that meets the requirements of condition 7.1.	Written endorsement of the Water Environmental Management Plan received from the CEO.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M7-1.
1126:M7.3	Water Environmental	In the event that monitoring, tests, surveys or investigations indicate exceedance of threshold criteria specified in the Jimblebar Water Management Plan, the proponent shall:	Written notification to the CEO as per the requirements of condition 3 (Compliance	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of	Overall	Report the exceedance in writing within 7 days	NC	Two non-compliances against this condition are reported:

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	Management Plan	(1) report the exceedance in writing to the CEO within seven (7) days of the exceedance being identified; (2) implement the threshold contingency actions specified in the Jimblebar Water Management Plan within twenty-four (24) hours and continue implementation of those actions until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that it has been demonstrated that the threshold criteria are being met and the implementation of the threshold contingency actions is no longer required; (3) investigate to determine the cause of the threshold criteria being exceeded; (4) investigate to provide information for the CEO to determine potential environmental harm or alteration of the environment that occurred due to threshold criteria being exceeded; and (5) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 7-3(1). The report shall include: (a) details of threshold contingency actions implemented; (b) the effectiveness of the threshold contingency actions implemented against the threshold criteria; (c) the findings of the investigations required by conditions 7-3(3) and 7-3(4); (d) measures to prevent the threshold criteria being exceeded in the future; (e) measures to prevent, control or abate the environmental harm which may have occurred; and (f) justification of the threshold remaining, or being adjusted based on better understanding, demonstrating that the outcome will continue to be met.	Reporting), and measures outlined in the Plan, including, but not limited to, actions and investigations to be undertaken, and reporting to the CEO.	exceedance of threshold criteria. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.		of the exceedance being identified. Provide a report within 21 days of the exceedance being reported as required by condition 7-3(1).		• As reported in the FY2025 AER, the water depth of monitoring bores HCM0043M and HCM0044M exceeded the groundwater level threshold criterion of 25 meters below groundwater level (further discussed in the CAR). BHP continued to monitor both bores until a Licence Amendment to Part V Licence L5415/1988/9 was approved 3 November 2025, replacing groundwater monitoring bores HCM0043M and HCM0044M with the more representative monitoring bores HCM0008M and HCM00029M. • As reported to DWER on 16 July 2025, the Caramulla Creek wetting front exceeded the authorised extent of 34km from the creek discharge point. Details of this non-compliance are further discussed in the CAR.
1126:M7.4	Water Environmental Management Plan	The exceedance of a threshold criteria (regardless of whether threshold contingency actions have been or are being implemented) represents non-compliance with these conditions.	N/A – condition is information only.	N/A – condition is information only.	Overall		NR	Noted.
1126:M7.5	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent: (1) may review and revise the Jimblebar Water Management Plan, or (2) shall review and revise the Jimblebar Water Management Plan as and when directed by the CEO.	Submission to the CEO for approval for any changes to the Water Environmental Management Plan.	Written endorsement of any changes to the Water Environmental Management Plan.	Overall	As and when directed by the CEO.	C	There have been no requests to review of revise the Jimblebar Water Management Plan during the reporting period. An updated Jimblebar Water Management Plan was submitted on the 12 December 2025, in response to the non-compliance of the Caramulla Creek wetting front limit exceedence. This version was an update to the version previously submitted in December 2023, as part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment.
1126:M7.6	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, addresses the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	Continue to implement the most recent version of the Water Environmental Management Plan approved by the CEO, as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	C	The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 1, 7 December 2023) has been implemented. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1126:M7.7	Water Environmental Management Plan	The proponent shall continue to implement the version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan or any subsequent revisions as approved by the CEO under condition 7-6, until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	Continue to implement the most recent version of the Water Environmental Management Plan approved by the CEO, as it applies to the proposal.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing that the plan meets the outcomes specified in condition 7-1.	C	The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 1, 7 December 2023) has been implemented. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1126:M8.1	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall manage the implementation of the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) ensure that the proposal is decommissioned and the site of the proposal rehabilitated to be safe, stable and non-polluting and in an ecologically appropriate and sustainable manner.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO that meets the objective of condition 8-1.	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 received by the CEO.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 satisfies the requirements.	C	The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 3, March 2021) was regarded as the active plan throughout the reporting period. As part of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment submitted on 19/12/2023, a

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								new Mine Closure Plan was submitted and is pending review.
1126:M8.2	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	Within twelve (12)months of the issue of this Statement the proponent shall prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Guidelines for Preparing Mine Closure Plans, May 2015, (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines), to the requirements of the CEO, on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO that meets the requirements of condition 8-2.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting Mine Closure Plan.	Overall	By 17 March 2021.	CLD	The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 3) was submitted on 12 March 2021 in accordance with Condition 8-2 of MS1126.
1126:M8.3	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall review and revise the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 at intervals not exceeding five (5) years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO, and submit the plan to the CEO at the agreed interval.	Review and revise the Mine Closure Plan at intervals not exceeding five (5) years, or as otherwise specified by the CEO.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting Mine Closure Plans at intervals not exceeding five (5) years.	Overall	Every five years or as otherwise specified.	C	The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan was updated from Revision 2 to Revision 3 within the five-year interval.
1126:M8.4	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the latest revision of the Mine Closure Plan, which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing, satisfies the requirements of condition 8-2.	Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Until the CEO has confirmed the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 satisfies the requirements.	C	The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 3, March 2021) was endorsed and regarded as the active plan throughout the reporting period.
1126:M8.5	Rehabilitation and Decommissioning	The proponent shall implement the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Version 2, August 2019) until the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 satisfies the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety.	Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Ongoing	Until the CEO has confirmed the Mine Closure Plan required by condition 8-2 satisfies the requirements.	C	See comment for Section 1126:M8.4.
1126:M9.1	Offsets	In view of the significant residual impacts and risks as a result of the implementation of the proposal, the proponent shall contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to condition 9-2, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 9-9.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to condition 9-2, subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition 9-9.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially.	NR	The MS1126 Impact Reconciliation Report (IRR) for the July 2023 to June 2025 reporting period was submitted on 26 September in line with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure (v2.3). The MS1126 IRR, for the reporting period July 2025 to 8 December 2025 (date on which MS1126 was superseded by MS1262), will be submitted on 30 September 2026.
1126:M9.2	Offsets	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund shall be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the rates in condition 9-3. The first biennial reporting period shall commence from vegetation clearing activities for the environmental values identified in condition 9-3.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 9-2 and 9-3.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially.	NR	See comment for Section 1126:M9.1.
1126:M9.3	Offsets	Calculated on the 2018-2019 financial year, the contribution rates are: (1) $816 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including foraging habitat for ghost bat, cleared within the development envelope within the Hamersley IBRA subregion. (2) $1,632 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation, including foraging habitat for ghost bat, cleared within the development envelope within the Fortescue IBRA subregion.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 9-2 and 9-3.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially.	NR	See comment for Section 1126:M9.1.
1126:M9.4	Offsets	From the commencement of the 2018-2019 financial year, the rates in condition 9-3 will be adjusted annually each subsequent financial year in accordance with the percentage change in the CPI applicable to that financial year.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to conditions 9-2, 9-3 and 9-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	From the commencement of the 2018–2019 financial year.	C	Noted.

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1126:M9.5	Offsets	Within three (3) months of the issue of this Statement, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO, for the CEO to provide written confirmation that the Impact Reconciliation Procedure satisfies the requirements of condition 9-6.	Prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Copy of correspondence to the CEO submitting the Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Overall	By 17 June 2020.	C	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure (v2.3) was submitted to the Regulator on 10 February 2023 to address Regulator comments. The procedure was endorsed by DWER on 6 September 2023.
1126:M9.6	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required pursuant to condition 9-5 shall: (1) state that clearing calculations for the first biennial reporting period will commence from vegetation clearing activities for the environmental values identified in condition 9-3 in accordance with condition 9-2 and end on the second 30 June following this date; (2) state that clearing calculations for each subsequent biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; (3) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the environmental values identified in condition 9-3; (4) indicate the timing and content of the Impact Reconciliation Reports; and (5) be prepared in accordance with the Instructions on how to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Impact Reconciliation Procedures and Impact Reconciliation Reports (or any subsequent revisions).	Prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO.	Written endorsement of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 9-5 received from the CEO.	Overall	By 17 June 2020.	CLD	Version 2.0 of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) was submitted to DWER on 15 July 2020 and addresses the requirements of the Condition. A further Version 2.1 was submitted to incorporate MS1126, with feedback received from the Regulator. Version 2.2 was submitted to the Regulator on 9 May 2022 to address Regulator comments. Version 2.3 was submitted to the Regulator on 10 February 2023 to address Regulator comments and was endorsed by DWER on 6 September 2023.
1126:M9.7	Offsets	The proponent shall submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 9-5.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition 9-5.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of condition 9.7.	Overall	Biennially	NR	As MS1126 was superseded on 8 December 2025, the fourth and final IRR will be submitted on 30 September 2026 covering the July to December 2025 reporting period.
1126:M9.8	Offsets	The Impact Reconciliation Report required pursuant to condition 9-7 shall provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken during each year of each biennial reporting period.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the requirements of condition 9.8.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of condition 9.8.	Overall	Biennially	NR	See comment for Section 1126:M9.7.
1126:M9.9	Offsets	The proponent may apply in writing and seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 9-2 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; (2) the payment counterbalances impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance; and (3) the payment counterbalances the significant residual impacts to the environmental value identified in condition 9-3.	Written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 9-2.	Approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition 9-2.	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Noted. No applications made to reduce all or part of the contribution payable during the reporting period.
1126:M9.10	Offsets	The clearing of 4,644 ha of native vegetation previously authorised under Ministerial Statements 683, 809 and 857 prior to 22 October 2015 is exempt from the requirement to offset under condition 9-1.	N/A – information only	N/A – information only	Overall	Life of proposal	NR	Noted.

3.20 Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4

3.20.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines) for the FY2026 reporting period. The Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 is a proposal to increase power generation capacity at the existing Yarnima Power Station by installing and operating gas reciprocating engines (GREs).

BHP operates the Yarnima Power Station (YPS) to supply power to mining operations in the central Pilbara. YPS is located approximately 2.1 kilometres northwest of the Newman town site and adjacent to the existing Newman Power Station within mining tenement ML244SA. The nearest sensitive receptor is the town of Newman and BHPs Mt Whaleback and Newman Hub Operations, which are situated to the west-southwest within the same mining tenement.

3.20.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines) status is under construction for FY2026 reporting period since the Ministerial Statement was awarded 17 January 2025.

3.20.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines)
Statement Number	1243
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☑ Construction	☐ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines) audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines) identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

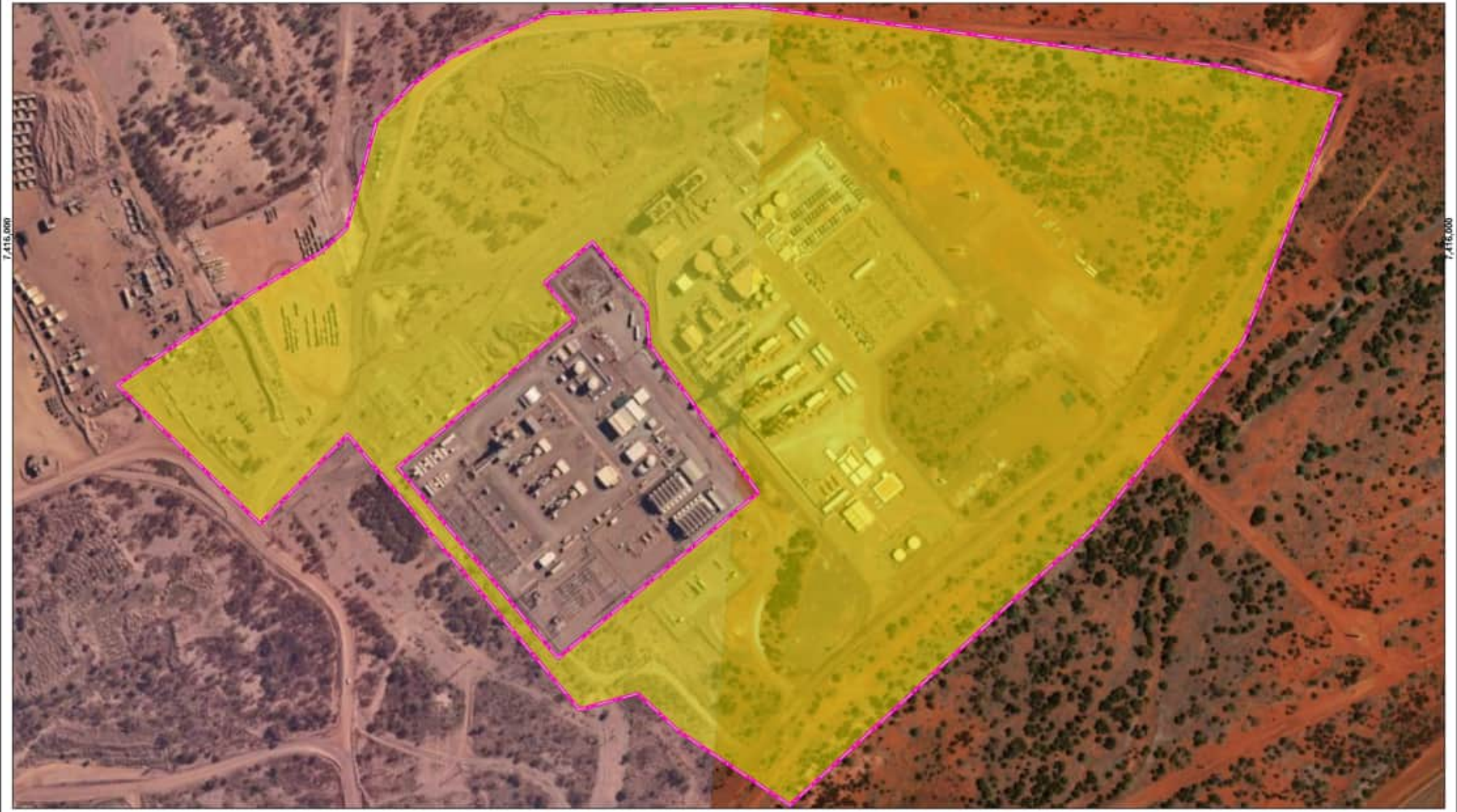
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- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.20.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1243 – Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines) and covers:

- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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AUDIT TABLE

Statement Compliance Section
PROJECT: Yarnima Power Station Stage 4 (Gas Reciprocating Engines)
Statement 1243

Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); CER = Clean Energy Regulator; DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DEMIRS= Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; NGER: National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1243:A1-1	Limitations and Extent of Proposal	The proponent must ensure that the proposal is implemented in such a manner that the following limitations or maximum extents / capacities / ranges are not exceeded: • Overall extent of the Proposal: within the development envelope shown in Figure 1: 47 ha • Power Generation via Gas Reciprocating Engines within the development envelope shown in Figure 1: 120 MW • Proposal time: • Maximum project life: Up to 38 years • Construction: Up to 3 years • Operations: Up to 26 years	Implement proposal in accordance with criteria in MS1243 PART A: PROPOSAL EXTENT	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	
1243:B1-1	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must notify the CEO in writing within one month of it becoming aware that implementation of the proposal will not be or is not expected to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation as a designated large facility (the notifiable event) and such notice must briefly describe the reasons for and expected duration of the notifiable event.	If applicable notify the CEO of not being regulated under the Safeguard Legislation as a designated large facility	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details (if applicable).	Overall	Within month of it becoming aware	C	Yarnima Power Station (NGER facility) is expected to continue to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation in FY2026. Scope 1 emissions for the period are reported to the CER by 31 October 2026. Safeguard data for the FY2026 period is published on the CER's website by 15 April 2027.
1243:B1-2	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must, if requested in writing by the CEO, provide the CEO with a report on the implications for the proposal of any amendment or proposed amendment to the Safeguard Legislation, or a decision or proposed decision made under the Safeguard Legislation that is specified in the CEO's request.	Complete the required report (if requested)	Copy of submitted report	Overall	Within 3 months or longer as agreed in writing by CEO	NR	No requests received from the CEO during the reporting period.
1243:B1-3	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The report required by condition B1-2 must: (1) be submitted to the CEO within three months of the date of the CEO's request or such longer period as the CEO agrees to in writing; and (2) explain the implications that the specified amendment or decision has had or is expected to have on: (a) the obligation to reduce net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions from implementation of the proposal under the Safeguard Legislation; and (b) the quantity of actual and net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions likely to result from the future implementation of the proposal.	Submit the required report (if requested)	Copy of submitted report	Overall	Within 3 months or longer as agreed in writing by CEO	NR	No requests received from the CEO during the reporting period.
1243:C1-1	Contact Details	The proponent must notify the CEO of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association of persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes in proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within 28 days of such change	C	
1243:C2-1	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proposal must be substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of this Statement.	Written evidence of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Copy of written evidence to the CEO of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Overall	Prior to 17 January 2030	C	The proposal has not yet substantially commenced, however it is planned to commence within the timeframe.
1243:C2-2	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that they have complied with condition C2-1 no later than fourteen (14) days after the expiration of period specified in condition C2-1.	Written evidence of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Copy of written evidence to the CEO of the substantial commencement of the proposal.	Overall	Prior to 17 January 2030	NR	
1243:C2-3	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	If the proposal has not been substantially commenced within the period specified in condition C2-1, implementation of the proposal must not be commenced or continued after the expiration of that period.	Statement of commencement date of the implementation of the proposal.	CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Prior to 17 January 2030	NR	

3.21 Ministerial Statement 1262

3.21.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1262 – Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment for the reporting period between 8 December 2025 and 30 June 2026. The revised proposal is for mining operations at Jimblebar, located approximately 40 kilometres east of the town of Newman.

Mining of iron ore deposits are undertaken above and below the water table. Mining operations include open pits, overburden storage areas and the construction and operation of associated mine, processing, and rail infrastructure. Groundwater is abstracted for water supply and to dewater the orebodies. Surplus water management includes transfer to Ophthalmia Dam, controlled creek discharge and managed aquifer recharge.

3.21.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 1262 – Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment (MS1262) was issued by DWER on 8 December 2025 and is now operational. MS1262 combined and superseded Ministerial Statements numbered 439, 1012, 1021 and 1126 and authorised new pits and overburden storage areas associated with the Jimblebar East development, new overland conveyor, primary crusher, beneficiation plant and associated in-pit tailings storage.

3.21.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment
Statement Number	1262
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

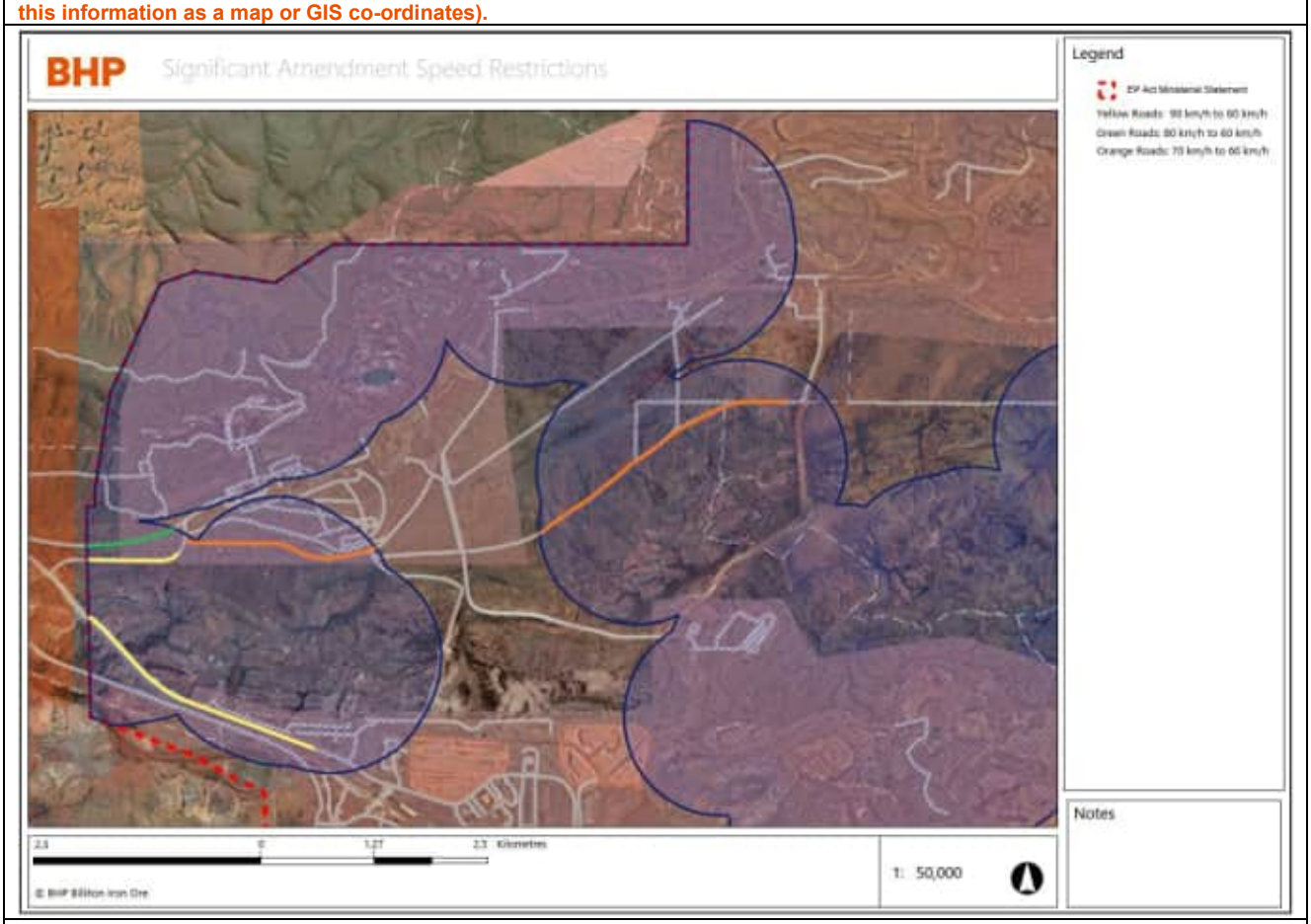
Reporting Period	8 December 2025 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1262 – Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☑ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☐ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There was one potential non-compliance identified against Ministerial Statement 1262 during the FY2026 reporting period. The details are provided in the following tables below.

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
1262:MB2-8			
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?			
Potentially Non-compliant			
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?			
FY2026 reporting period (8 December 2025 – 30 June 2026)			
Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the General Manager, OEPA?			
☐ Yes	☐ Reported to DWER verbally ☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date Date	☑ No
What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?			
Vehicle speed limit signs were not updated. There are no suspected impacts to ghost bats or other MNES species from the non-compliance and there were no records of ghost bats or other MNES species being struck by vehicles during the reporting period.			

What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates).



What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

Speed limit signage has not been installed.

What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?

BHP will engage with the regulator to seek an amendment to this condition.

What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?

BHP will engage with the regulator to seek an amendment to this condition.

Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure:

There is no further relevant information to provide.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

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3.21.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of MS1262 and covers:

- Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan
- Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan
- Jimblebar Hub Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan
- East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan
- Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan
- Jimblebar Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance
- Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan
- Ministerial Statement authorised extents
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan

The Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) and the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan (Rev 5; dated May 2018) are regarded as the active plans for managing activities associated with clearing of native vegetation, surface water drainage and general mining activities, during the reporting period. MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan in Q2 of FY2027 for approval by DWER.

Compliance to the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan and the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan are discussed under MS1126 (Section 3.18) and MS1021 (Section 3.12) above.

Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan

MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to submit an *Acacia corusca* Conservation and Research Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. BHP are partnering with Kings Park to support research into Acacia *corusca*. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting the *Acacia corusca* Conservation and Research Plan in Q2 of FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Jimblebar Hub Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan

The Jimblebar Hub Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan (TFEMP) (Rev 1; Dated December 2023) was prepared to support the submission of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment proposal under Part IV of the EP act. While MS1262 does not require the TFEMP to be updated or submitted to the CEO of DWER for approval, BHP has updated the management plan to align with the requirements of MS1262.

The following management provisions were undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period:

- **Feral Cat Monitoring and Management:** opportunistic sightings of feral cats are reported to the Site Environmental Specialist and/or documented in the BHP Event Management System. No feral cat sightings were formally reported during FY2026 reporting period. To improve the reporting of feral cat observation, a QR reporting form will be rolled out across site in FY2027.

  In accordance with requirements under the Jimblebar Significant Amendment Validation Notice, BHP commissioned Pheonix Environmental to undertake feral cat monitoring at priority ghost bat roosts during FY2026. Cameras were deployed at the entrances of the following caves: CJIM-03, CNIN-03, CNIN-09 and CNIN-12 to monitor feral cat activity in the vicinity of ghost bat roosts. Feral cats were recorded at all monitored caves.

  Monitoring outcomes from the FY2026 baseline program are informing the deployment of grooming traps in FY2027. BHP has secured two Felixer grooming traps for targeted feral cat control during FY2027, with deployment at Ghost Bat roosts to be informed by the findings of the FY2026 program.

  Results of the FY2026 monitoring program are being prepared and will be further discussed in the next reporting period. BHP plans to expand the scope of the monitoring program in FY2027 to cover additional caves as well as key operational and office areas across the site.
- **Haul Road/Infrastructure Fencing:** Barbed wire is not permitted onsite unless the required by legislation (i.e. around the ANFO facility). Conditions are applied through the Land Disturbance (GLUP system) to ensure that barbed wire use is avoided, and where it is required to be used, only single strand barbed wire is used, with bat deflectors installed to deter Ghost Bats.
- **Speed Limits:** Vehicle and machinery speed is limited to 60 km/h on unsealed roads throughout the Jimblebar Significant Amendment development envelope, including within 1 km of gorge/gully & breakaway/cliff habitat types. A potential non-compliance related to speed limits on sealed roads within 1 km of gorge/gully & breakaway/cliff habitat types was recorded during the FY2026 reporting period. This is further discussed in the potential non-compliance section above.

Fauna Pre-Clearance Inspections

In accordance with Condition MB2-4 of MS1262, pre-clearance inspections were undertaken across mining areas within the development envelope during the reporting period to inspect for the presence of Northern Quoll prior to ground disturbing activities. Details of these inspections are outlined below.

Table 3-73 Pre-Clearance Inspections Undertaken for the BS12 OSA Eastern Expansion

Element	Compliance Status
Details of fauna inspections	Nine fauna inspections were undertaken between February and March 2026 to detect presence of Northern Quoll in areas proposed for clearing as part of BS12 OSA eastern expansion.
Dates and details of clearing activities	Ground disturbing activities commenced 1 February 2026 and concluded prior to the expiry of the final inspection on 27 March 2026. A total of 44.2 ha was cleared as part of this project.
Number and type of fauna removed and relocated	No fauna, including threatened fauna, were required to be removed or relocated during ground disturbing activities for the BS12 OSA Eastern Expansion.
Details of fauna spotters	Details of fauna spotters: • Eamon Pascoe – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist • Anton Scotney – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist • Tori Le-Page – Jimblebar Graduate Environmental Specialist
Results of pre-clearance inspections	No presence of Northern Quoll was detected by all pre-clearance inspections.
Vertebrate fauna mortalities	No fauna mortalities, including threatened fauna, were reported during ground disturbing activities for the BS12 OSA Eastern Expansion.

Table 3-74 Pre-Clearance Inspections Undertaken for the BJ13 Haul Road Drilling

Element	Compliance Status
Details of fauna inspections	Three fauna inspections were undertaken on 31 January, 23 February and 5 March to detect presence of Northern Quoll in support of clearing a minor sterilisation drilling campaign for development of the BJ13 OSA haul road.
Dates and details of clearing activities	Ground disturbing activities began following the pre-clearance inspection on 23 February and concluded prior to the expiry of the third inspection on 11 March. No ground disturbing activities occurred after the 7-day expiry of each pre-clearance inspection. A total of 3.2 ha was cleared as part of this project.
Number and type of fauna removed and relocated	No fauna, including threatened fauna, were required to be removed or relocated during ground disturbing activities for the BJ13 Haul Road Drilling.
Details of fauna spotters	The following fauna spotters undertook pre-clearance inspections for the BJ13 Haul Road Drilling: • Eamon Pascoe – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist • Anton Scotney – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist
Results of pre-clearance inspections	No presence of Northern Quoll was detected by all pre-clearance inspections and ground disturbing activities were authorised to proceed.
Vertebrate fauna mortalities	No fauna mortalities, including threatened fauna, were reported during ground disturbing activities for the BJ13 Haul Road Drilling.

Table 3-75 Pre-Clearance Inspections Undertaken for the EJB2 Pit Drilling

Element	Compliance Status
Details of fauna inspections	A single fauna inspection was undertaken on 1 June to detect presence of Northern Quoll in support of clearing for a minor geotechnical drilling campaign to support development of the EJB2 pit.
Dates and details of clearing activities	Ground disturbing activities began following the pre-clearance inspection on 1 June 2026 and concluded prior to the expiry of the inspection on 7 June. No ground disturbing activities occurred after the 7-day expiry of the pre-clearance inspection. Approximately 1 ha was cleared as part of this project.
Number and type of fauna removed and relocated	No fauna, including threatened fauna, were required to be removed or relocated during ground disturbing activities for the EJB2 Pit Drilling.
Details of fauna spotters	The following fauna spotters undertook pre-clearance inspections for the EJB2 Pit Drilling: • Anton Scotney – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist
Results of pre-clearance inspections	No presence of Northern Quoll was detected by pre-clearance inspection and ground disturbing activities were authorised to proceed.
Vertebrate fauna mortalities	No fauna mortalities, including threatened fauna, were reported during ground disturbing activities for the EJB2 Pit Drilling.

Table 3-76 Pre-Clearance Inspections Undertaken for the BS13 OSA Development

Element	Compliance Status
Details of fauna inspections	Twenty fauna inspections were undertaken between March and June 2026 to detect presence of Northern Quoll for clearing as part of the BS13 OSA development.
Dates and details of clearing activities	Ground disturbing activities began following the pre-clearance inspection on 24 March and concluded prior to the expiry of the final inspection on 27 June. No ground disturbing activities occurred after the 7-day expiry of each pre-clearance inspection. Approximately 129 ha was cleared as part of this project.
Number and type of fauna removed and relocated	No fauna, including threatened fauna, were required to be removed or relocated during ground disturbing activities for the BS13 OSA Development.
Details of fauna spotters	The following fauna spotters undertook pre-clearance inspections for the BS13 OSA Development: • Eamon Pascoe – Jimblebar Environmental Specialist • Anton Scotney - Jimblebar Environmental Specialist
Results of pre-clearance inspections	No presence of Northern Quoll was detected by all pre-clearance inspections and ground disturbing activities were authorised to proceed.
Vertebrate fauna mortalities	No fauna mortalities, including threatened fauna, were reported during ground disturbing activities for the BS13 OSA Development.

During the reporting period, ground disturbing activities did not occur within Major Drainage Line habitat or at Ghost Bat Cave CJIM-04. Consequently, the requirements to conduct pre-clearance survey for the presence of Ghost Bat or Grey Falcon, as per Condition MB2-4 of MS1262 were not triggered. All areas where ground disturbing occurred had been surveyed for threatened fauna.

East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan

The East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (Rev 6; dated April 2018) is regarded as the active plan during the reporting period and was prepared to meet the requirements of MS1021, MS857 and MS1037. Ministerial Statement 1266 (the Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment proposal) was approved on 4 February 2026 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1266, BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Compliance to the East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan is further discussed under MS1021 (Section 3.12) and MS1126 (Section 3.18) above.

Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan

The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) is regarded as the active plan during the reporting period and was prepared to meet the requirements of Condition 7-2 of MS1126. Ministerial Statement 1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP submitted an updated version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan on 10 December 2025 for approval by the CEO of DWER. At the time of preparation of this report, BHP has not received any comments from DWER or approval of the revised management plan.

Compliance to the Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan is further discussed under MS1126 above (Section 3.18).

Jimblebar Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance

Ministerial Statement 1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to prepare and submit a rehabilitation strategy within 12 months of the approval of the proposal, which is to be included in an update of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan. The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 2; dated August 2019), Orebody 31 Mine Closure Plan (Rev 0; dated August 2015) and Orebody 17/18 Mine Closure Plan (Rev 1; dated February 2015) are regarded as the active plans during the reporting period and were prepared to meet the requirements of MS1126, MS1021 and MS439 as amended by MS1012. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting a combined and updated version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

In addition to the rehabilitation strategy, Ministerial Statement 1262 requires BHP to prepare and submit a rehabilitation performance report, which is to be satisfied by the MS1105 Rehabilitation Report. This will be submitted by 8 December 2026.

Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan

The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 2; dated August 2019), Orebody 31 Mine Closure Plan (Rev 0; dated August 2015) and Orebody 17/18 Mine Closure Plan (Rev 1; dated February 2015) are regarded as the active plans during the reporting period and were prepared to meet the requirements of MS1126, MS1021 and MS439 as amended by MS1012. As referenced above, MS1262 requires BHP to prepare and submit an updated Mine Closure Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting a combined and updated version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Compliance Monitoring Report

Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is further discussed in the relevant sections of each Environmental Management Plan and environmental aspect above. Environmental monitoring programs are designed to meet or exceed legislative requirements and undertaken in accordance with the requirement of MS1262 and the relevant EMP.

Ministerial Statement 1262 Authorised Extent

Table 3-77 Ministerial Statement 1262 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Direct disturbance of native vegetation	Clearing of no more than 12,262 ha of native vegetation within the development envelope of 24,684 ha.	A total of 7,585.09 ha has been cleared to date under MS1262. This figure includes clearing undertaken under Ministerial Statements 439 (1012), 1021 and 1126 and 1262.
	Clearing of no more than 6,521 ha of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation.	229.97 ha of Good to Excellent condition native vegetation has been cleared to date.
	Disturbance limit of 52.6 ha of riparian vegetation.	0.74 ha of riparian vegetation has been cleared to date.
	Disturbance limit of 2.5 ha of breakaway/cliff habitat for the significant amendment.	0 ha of breakaway/cliff habitat has been impacted to date.
	Disturbance limit of 7.6 ha of gorge/gully habitat for the significant amendment.	0 ha of gorge/gully habitat has been impacted to date.
	Disturbance limit of 5,360 individuals of *Eremophila capricornica*.	977 *Eremophila capricornica* individuals were disturbed during FY2026. As MS1262 was approved during FY2026, this represents the total cleared to date.
Direct disturbance of terrestrial fauna habitat	Disturbance limit of 1 category 4 ghost bat cave.	No category 4 Ghost Bat caves have been disturbed to date.
Groundwater abstraction	Groundwater abstraction of up to 69.2 GL/a	13.286 GL
Surplus dewater management	Discharge of up to 32.625 GL/a to Ophthalmia Dam.	15.866 GL
	Managed aquifer recharge in the Orebody 18 (Ninga) area up to 13.14 GL/a to limit groundwater level rise to 10 metres below ground level	8.596 GL
	Controlled discharge of up to 4 GL/a surplus water for a maximum three months per year for contingency purposes and must not extend further than 16 km along Jimblebar Creek from the Orebody 31 discharge point, during natural no-flow conditions.	0.332 GL
	Controlled discharge of up to 2.19 GL/a surplus water must not extend further along Jimblebar Creek than 200m from the upstream extent of Innawally Pool, during natural no-flow conditions.	0.000 GL
	Controlled discharge of up to 27.375 GL/a along Caramulla Creek to extend no further than 34 kilometres form the northern boundary of the development envelope under natural no-flow conditions.	2.021 GL
	Managed aquifer recharge in the Caramulla area up to 10.95 GL/a to limit groundwater level rise to 25 metres below ground level	3.829 GL

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-78 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment. Table 3-79 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category. As MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025, the disturbance in FY2026 is the total disturbance to date.

Table 3-78 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1262

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)
	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Mine and associated infrastructure	7,585.09
Total	**7,585.09**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)
	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	51.04
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	632.95
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**683.95**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

Table 3-79 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1262

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	965.84
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73
3	Evaporation pond	4.37
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	506.59
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	95.30
8	Plant site	65.72
9	Fuel storage facility	1.60
10	Workshop	23.39
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	995.01
12	Landfill site	1.24
13	Diversion channel or drain	58.35
14	Dam fresh water	7.51
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	156.92
16	Sewage pond	3.28
17	Run-of-mine pad	564.21
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	9.88
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1,389.75
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1,322.15
22	Laydown or hardstand area	174.57
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	141.72
25	Borefield	18.72
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	277.69
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	482.28
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	482.83
30	Topsoil stockpile	318.09
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	191.16
32	Not Applicable	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).



All permit boundaries
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FY 2026 Rehabilitation
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Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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Note:
- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DMIRS= Department of Mines, Industry and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1262:MA1-1	Limitations and Extent of Proposal	The proponent must ensure that the proposal is implemented in such a manner that the following limitations or maximum extents / capacities / ranges for the proposal elements provided in condition A1-1 are not exceeded: (1) development envelope of 24,684ha; (2) direct disturbance of native vegetation: (a) clearing of no more than 12,262 ha of native vegetation within the develop envelope of 24,684 ha; (b) clearing of no more than 6,521 ha of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation; (c) disturbance limit of 52.6 ha of riparian vegetation; (d) disturbance limit of 2.5 ha of breakaway/cliff habitat for the significant amendment; (e) disturbance limit of 7.6 ha of gorge/gully habitat for the significant amendment; (3) groundwater abstraction of up to 69.2 GL/a; (4) discharge of up to 32.625GL/a surplus water to the Ophthalmia Dam system; (5) Aquifer injection: (a) groundwater injection of up to 10.95 GL/a surplus water in the Caramulla MAR area. Ground water level to be no higher than 25m below ground level; (b) groundwater injection of up to 13.14 GL/a surplus water in the Orebody (Ninga) MAR area. Ground water level to be no higher than 10m below ground level; (6) Surface water discharge to water course: (a) controlled discharge of up to 27.375GL/a surplus water from the Caramulla Creek discharge point. Surplus water must no extend further than 34km along Caramulla Creek from the Caramulla discharge point, during natural no-flow conditions; (b) controlled discharge of up to 4GL surplus water for a maximum three months per year for contingency purposes and must not extend further than 16km along Jimblebar Creek from the Orebody 31 discharge point, during natural no-flow conditions; (c) controlled discharge of up to 2.19 GL/a surplus water must not extend further along Jimblebar Creek than 200m from the upstream extent of Innawally Pool, during natural no-flow conditions; (7) option to dispose of tailings at mine pit voids at Orebody 17/18, Orebody 31 and Jimblebar; (8) option for open voids and formation of pit lake/s; (9) project life of approximately 46 years (construction, operation, decommissioning and closure) from the date of issue of the Ministerial Statement.	Implement the proposal according to the maximum extents / capacities /ranges provided in condition A1-1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained in BHP Iron Ore's (BHP's) Annual Environmental Report (AER)	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	The proposal was implemented from December 2026 in accordance with the limitations and maximum extents provided in Condition A1-1. Specific compliance for each limitation and maximum extent is outlined in table 6 of the Ministerial Statement 1262 (MS1262) Compliance Assessment Report (CAR).
1262:MB1.1	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes for the proposal: (1) disturb no more than 6,521 ha of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation; (2) disturb no more than 52.6 ha of riparian vegetation; (3) disturb no more than 5,360 individuals of Eremophila capricornia (P1); (4) no adverse impacts to Eremophila capricornia (P1) populations as shown in Figure 8-7 of the Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations Significant Amendment Environmental Review Document – referral supplementary report (BHP 2025);	Implement BHP's internal disturbance permit approval process. Implement the Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations Impact Reconciliation Procedure	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	The proposal was implemented from December 2026 in accordance with the environmental outcome requirements of Condition B1-1. The Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) and the Biodiversity Environmental

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		(5) no disturbance to Acacia corusca (P1) within the Mining Exclusion Zones as shown in Figures 4a and 4b of MS 1262; (6) no adverse impacts to Acacia corusca populations; and (7) maintain the viability of Acacia corusca at the population level.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan approved by the CEO as it applies to the proposal. *Implement the most recent version of the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan approved by the CEO. See also condition B1-8.*					Management Plan (Rev 5; dated May 2018) are regarded as the active plans for managing activities associated with clearing of native vegetation, surface water drainage and general mining activities during the reporting period. MS1262 was approved by the EPA on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Environmental Management Plan in Q2 of FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER. Compliance to the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan and the Biodiversity Environmental Management Plan is further discussed within MS1126 and MS1021 relevant CARs.
1262:MB1.2	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes for the significant amendment: no disturbance, including mining activities, pits, excavations, waste dumps and permanent structures, within the Mining Exclusion Zone as shown in Figure 4a of MS 1262.	Implement BHP's internal disturbance permit approval process.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	No disturbance occurred in the Mining Exclusion Zone as shown in Figure 4a of MS 1262 during the FY2026 reporting period.
1262:MB1.3	Flora and Vegetation	*Prior to clearing each area to be disturbed within the conceptual footprint of the significant amendment, the proponent must undertake pre-clearance survey(s) of unsurveyed areas shown in Figure 5 of MS 1262, in accordance with Technical Guidance – Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment (EPA 2016) (or any approved updates to these guidelines). Pre-clearance surveys shall target the following species:* (1) *Acacia corusca* (P1); and (2) *Eremophila capricornica* (P1)	*Undertake pre-clearing survey(s) in accordance with Technical Guidance – Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment (EPA 2016) targeting the species specified in condition B1-3.*	Copy of final pre-clearing survey. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Prior to clearing	NR	No disturbance or pre-clearance surveys occurred in unsurveyed areas during the FY2026 reporting period as shown in Figure 5 of MS 1262.
1262:MB1.4	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent shall implement appropriate management measures to achieve the following environmental objectives for the significant amendment: (1) minimise disturbances to flora and vegetation including but not limited to impacts from, altered groundwater and surface water regimes, bushfire, dust and environmental weeds; and (2) minimise disturbances on remaining extents of significant vegetation and priority flora.	*Implement the most recent versions of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan and Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan approved by the CEO as they apply to the proposal.* Implement the most recent versions of the East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan approved by the CEO as they apply to the proposal. Implement the applicable BHP internal procedures, management plans and standards.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB1.1.

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1262:MB1.5	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental objective for the proposal: (1) minimise direct and indirect impacts on flora taxa listed as priority flora.	*Implement the most recent versions of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan and Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan as it applies to the proposal.* Implement existing obligations and standard internal procedures such as weed management.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See comment for Section MS1262:MB1.1
1262:MB1.6	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent must review and update the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan – FINAL (December 2023, version 1) that satisfies the requirements of condition C4 and C5 and demonstrates how achievement of the environmental outcomes and objectives in conditions B1-1(4), B1-1(6), B1-1(7) and B1-5 will be monitored and substantiated, and submit it to the CEO.	Revise the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan in consultation with DBCA to meet the requirements of condition B1-6 and submit the plan to the CEO for approval. Publish the confirmed Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan including any revised Plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.	Written endorsement of the revised Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Witin twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	See comment for Section MS1262:MB1.1
1262:MB1.7	Flora and Vegetation	*The proponent shall, within 12 months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, prepare and submit an Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan to the satisfaction of the CEO, on advice from DBCA.*	*Prepare the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan and submit the plan to the CEO for approval on advice from DBCA.* *Publish the confirmed Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan including any revised Plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.*	*Written endorsement of the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.*	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	NR	MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to submit an Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan in Q2 of FY2027 for approval by DWER.
1262:MB1.8	Flora and Vegetation	*The Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan identified in condition B1-7 shall include:* (1) results of targeted flora surveys or where surveys have not been completed, to provide further information on the conservation and baseline conservation status of Acacia corusca within the region; (2) details of suitable conservation measures such as seed collection and germplasm storage, seeding or translocation trials to be undertaken to determine the likelihood of successful establishment, during mine site rehabilitation or other suitable measures, for conservation of the species; (3) details on research to be undertaken into the habitat, biology and conservation of the species; (4) timeframes and responsibilities for the implementation of proposed conservation measures; and (5) a monitoring program and criteria for determining the efficacy of the proposed conservation measures.	*Prepare the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan in collaboration with DBCA and according to the requirements of condition B1-8 and submit the plan to the CEO for approval.*	*Written endorsement of the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.*	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO.	NR	See comment for Section 1262:MB1.7.

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1262:MB1.9	Flora and Vegetation	*The proponent shall submit a report to the CEO documenting the results of the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan, identifying the success of conservation measures required by condition B1-8(2) and the findings of the research required by condition B1-8(3) within six (6) months of completion of the measures set out in the approved plan.*	*Prepare a report documenting the results of implementing the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan according to the requirements of condition B1-9 and submit the report to the CEO for approval.*	*Written endorsement of the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan report by CEO/CEO's delegate.*	Overall	Within six (6) months of completion of the measures set out in the approved plan.	NR	See comment for Section MS1262:MB1.7.
1262:MB2-1	Terrestrial Fauna	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes: (1) for the significant amendment, disturb no more than: (a) 2.5 ha of fauna habitat identified as breakaway/cliff habitat as shown in Figure 6 of MS 1262; (b) 7.6 ha of fauna habitat identified as gorge/gully habitat as shown in Figure 6; (c) one (1) ghost bat cave (category 4) as shown in Figure 7 of MS 1262. (2) no disturbance to ghost bat (Macroderma gigas) within the Mining Exclusion Zones in Figure 8 of MS 1262 attributable to the significant amendment; and (3) no detectable increase in feral cat abundance in the development envelope from baseline levels during the life of the proposal relative to suitable reference sites.	Implement BHP's internal disturbance permit approval process.. Implement the most recent version of the Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan Implement Ghost Bat monitoring in accordance with the latest version of the Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan. Conduct annual inspections of Ghost Bat MEZ to ensure no disturbance. Implement a feral cat monitoring program.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	The proposal was implemented from December 2026 in accordance with the environmental outcome requirements of Condition B2-1. The Jimblebar Hub Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan (Rev 1; Dated December 2023) was prepared to support the submission of the Jimblebar Significant Amendment proposal under Part IV of the EP act. While MS1262 does not require the Jimblebar Hub Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan to be updated or submitted to the CEO of DWER for approval, BHP has updated the management plan to align with the requirements of MS1262. Performance is included in the 2026 CAR.
1262:MB2-2	Terrestrial Fauna	The proponent must undertake targeted feral cat control within the development envelope, including at the entrance of ghost bat diurnal roosts, to achieve the outcome in condition B2-1(3).	Undertake feral cat control as specified in condition B2-2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	In accordance with Condition B2-2 of MS1262, BHP was required to implement a feral cat control program during FY2026. BHP commenced a feral cat control program during FY2026, by implementing feral cat monitoring activities during the reporting period. Feral cat control programs will be scoped and implemented based on the results of the FY2026 monitoring program and adapted in response to ongoing monitoring results. Further details are provided in the CAR.
1262:MB2-3	Terrestrial Fauna	The proponent must avoid, and where unavoidable, minimise impacts to critical habitat attributable to the significant amendment, including from dust emissions, spread or introduction of environmental weeds, fire, altered hydrological regimes, habitat fragmentation and contamination.	Implement existing obligations and standard internal procedures such as weed management. Monitor critical fauna habitat for the impacts listed in condition B2-3 through the implementation of the most recent versions of the following management plans: • Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP complied with Condition B2-3 through the implementation of existing obligations, standard internal procedures, and the current versions of Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan, Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan, East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan, and Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan to avoid and minimise impacts to critical habitat attributable to MS1262.

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			• Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan • East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan • Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan					
1262:MB2-4	Terrestrial Fauna – clearing for ground disturbance activities	Prior to ground disturbing activities for the significant amendment the proponent shall undertake the following actions: (1) within seven (7) days prior to clearing gorge/gully and breakaway/cliff habitat types or supporting habitat, using a fauna spotter, undertake pre-clearance inspection(s) of the areas to be cleared to detect the presence of northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus); (2) within seven (7) days prior to clearing cave CJIM-04, using a fauna spotter, undertake pre-clearance inspection(s) to detect presence of ghost bat (Macroderma gigas); (3) within seven (7) days prior to clearing major drainage line habitat type, using a fauna spotter, undertake pre-clearance inspection(s) to detect the presence of grey falcon (Faclo hypoleucos) occupied nests; (4) where northern quoll Dasyurus hallucatus), ghost bat (Macroderma gigas), and grey falcon (Faclo hypoleucos) occupied nests are detected, ground disturbing activities shall not commence until: (a) the finding has been notified to the CEO and DBCA; and (b) either: (i) the individual has been relocated by a licensed fauna handler to a critical habitat; or (ii) grey falcons (Faclo hypoleucos) are no longer using the nest during the maternity season; or (iii) the individual has been observed by the fauna spotter to have moved on from the area to adjoining critical habitat; and (iv) the fauna spotter considers that the individual no longer occurs in the area to be cleared/disturbed. (c) Once ghost bats (Macroderma gigas) individual(s) are confirmed to be completely excluded from the cave CJIM-04, the cave entrance needs to be sealed, or exclusion devices (light and/or noise emitting) shall be installed, to prevent them from returning prior to ground disturbing activities.	Undertake pre-clearance inspections prior to ground disturbing activities to detect the presence of the species listed in conditions B2-4(1), B2-4(2) and B2-4(3). Notify the CEO and DBCA where occupied nests of the listed species are detected and undertake the actions specified in condition B2-4(4) where relevant prior to ground disturbance activities.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within seven (7) days prior to clearing of the listed habitat types.	C	Pre-clearance inspections were completed as per the requirements of MB2-4. Details of pre-clearance inspections undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period are further discussed in the CAR.
1262:MB2-5	Terrestrial Fauna – clearing for ground disturbance activities	The proponent must submit as part of the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2, a report on fauna management undertaken, in line with condition B2-4. The report shall include the following: (1) details of fauna inspections; (2) dates and details of clearing activities for each area inspected; (3) the number and type of fauna removed and relocated and actions taken; (4) details of the fauna spotter and fauna handler commissioned; (5) results of the pre-clearance surveys and pre-clearance inspections; and (6) vertebrate fauna mortalities.	Prepare a fauna management report per the requirements of condition B2-5 and submit as part of the AER. Implement the most recent version of the Terrestrial Fauna Environmental Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the Proposal	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB2-4.
1262:MB2-6	Terrestrial Fauna – Clearing for ground disturbance activities	In the event of change in the conceptual footprint, and where survey has not been completed, the proponent must undertake surveys for threatened fauna within the new unsurveyed conceptual footprint and submit findings and mitigation measures to the CEO for approval prior to the ground disturbing activities with the new unsurveyed conceptual footprint.	Undertake threatened fauna surveys in any new unsurveyed conceptual footprint and submit survey findings and mitigation measures to the CEO for approval.	Written endorsement of threatened fauna survey findings and mitigation measures by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Prior to ground disturbing activities in any new unsurveyed conceptual footprint.	NR	No pre-clearance surveys, as required by Condition B2-6, were undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period as no ground disturbing activities for the significant amendment were undertaken in areas without threatened fauna survey data.

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1262:MB2-7	Terrestrial Fauna – Haul road/infrastructure fencing	Barbed wire fencing, where it is demonstrated to be required for the significant amendment, must be installed with the top strand as a single strand wire and with suitable bat deflectors.	Avoid barbed wiring fencing and where required, install fencing with a single strand top wire with bat deflectors.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Barbed wire has been limited onsite to areas where required by legislation (i.e. around the ANFO facility). Conditions are also applied through the Land disturbance system (GLUP) to ensure that barbed wire is avoided, and where it is required to be used, only single strand barbed wire is used, with bat deflectors installed to deter Ghost Bats.
1262:MB2-8	Terrestrial Fauna – Speed limits	During ground disturbing activities and operational activities, vehicle and machinery speed limits within the development envelope must not exceed: (1) 60km/hr within 1km of gorge/gully and breakaway/cliff habitat types during day time hours and on unsealed roads during night-time hours.	Implement speed limit zones within the development envelope as specified in condition B2-8.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	PNC	Vehicle speed limit signs were not updated. There are no suspected impacts to ghost bats or other MNES species from the non-compliance and there were no records of ghost bats or other MNES species being struck by vehicles during the reporting period.
1262:MB3-1	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must implement the proposal to achieve the following environmental outcomes: (1) maintain habitat, groundwater levels and water quality in the Ethel Gorge aquifer to support the stygofauna habitat of the Ethel Gorge TEC; (2) maintain the current (altered) ephemeral surface water regime to the Fortescue River downstream of Ophthalmia Dam as a result of releases of water from Ophthalmia Dam.	Maintain the Ethel Gorge aquifer and Fortescue River downstream of Ophthalmia Dam as required by condition B3-1 through implementing the most recent versions of the following management plans approved by the CEO: • East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan; and • Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan and	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	The East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) (Rev 6; dated April 2018) is regarded as the active plan during the reporting period and was prepared to meet the requirements of MS1021, MS857 and MS1037. Ministerial Statement 1266 (the Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment proposal) was approved on 4 February 2026 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the EPWRMP within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1266, BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the EPWRMP in Q2 of FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER. Compliance to the EPWRMP is further discussed under the MS1021 and MS1126 CAR.
1262:MB3-2	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must implement the proposal to achieve the following environmental outcomes: (1) no adverse impacts to Innawally Pool; (2) groundwater level to rise no more than 25 mbgl in the regional aquifer from groundwater injection of surplus water in the Caramulla MAR area; (3) groundwater level to rise no more than 10 mbgl in the regional aquifer from groundwater injection of surplus water in the Orebody 18 (Ninga) MAR area; (4) surface water flow along Caramulla Creek from controlled discharge of surplus water to extend no further than 34.6 km from Caramulla Creek discharge point under natural no-flow conditions; (5) surface water flow along Jimblebar Creek to extend no further than 200m from the upstream extent of Innawally Pool under natural no-flow conditions; (6) surface water flow along Jimblebar Creek from controlled discharge of surplus water to extend no further than 16 km from Orebody 31 Creek discharge point under natural no-flow conditions; (7) no adverse impacts to the riparian tree species along Caramulla due to the controlled discharge of surplus water into Caramulla Creek; and (8) no adverse impacts to the riparian tree species along Jimblebar Creek due to the controlled discharge of surplus water into Orebody 31 Creek.	Address the requirements specified in condition B3-2 through the implementation of the most recent versions of the following management plans approved by the CEO: • East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan; and • Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan and • Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan – ongoing monitoring of riparian vegetation under the plan.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	The Jimblebar Water Management Plan (Rev 0.1; dated May 2020) is regarded as the active plan during the reporting period and was prepared to meet the requirements of Condition 7-2 of MS1126. MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP submitted an updated version of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan on 10 December 2025 for approval by the CEO of DWER. At the time of preparation of this report, BHP has not received any comments from DWER or approval of the revised management plan. Compliance to the Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan is further discussed under the MS1126 CAR.
1262:MB3-3	Inland Waters and	The proponent must implement the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan, with the purpose of ensuring the environmental outcomes in condition B3-1 are achieved, monitored and substantiated.	Implement the most recent version of the Eastern Pilbara	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB3-1.

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	Subterranean Fauna		Water Resource Management Plan approved by the CEO. Publish the confirmed Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan including any revised Plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.			Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).		
1262:MB3-4	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must implement the Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan, with the purpose of ensuring the environmental outcomes in condition B3-2(1), B3-2(2), B3-2(3), B3-2(4), B3-2(5) and B3-2(6) are achieved, monitored and substantiated.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan approved by the CEO to meet the requirements of condition B3-4. Publish the confirmed Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan including any revised Plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB3-1.
1262:MB3-5	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must implement the Flora and Vegetation Management Plan with the purpose of ensuring the environmental outcomes in condition B3-2(7) and B3-2(8) are achieved, monitored and substantiated.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan approved by the CEO to meet the requirements of condition B3-5.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB3-2.
1262:MB4-1	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must notify the CEO in writing within one (1) month of it becoming aware that implementation of the proposal will not be or is not expected to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation as a designated large facility (the notifiable event) and such notice must briefly describe the reasons for and expected duration of the notifiable event.	Written notification to the CEO advising the facility will potentially not be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation, as specified in condition B4-1.	Copy of correspondence to CEO (if applicable). Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within one month of becoming aware that implementation of the proposal will not or is not expected to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation.	NR	Jimblebar (NGER facility) is expected to continue to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation in FY2026. Scope 1 emissions for the period are reported to the CER by 31 October 2026. Safeguard data for the FY2026 period is published on the CER's website by 15 April 2027
1262:MB4-2	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must, if requested in writing by the CEO, provide the CEO with a report on the implications for the proposal of any amendment or proposed amendment to the Safeguard Legislation, or a decision or proposed decision made under the Safeguard Legislation that is specified in the CEO's request.	Written notification to the CEO reporting on the implications of any amendment/proposed amendment of the Safeguard Legislation or decision/proposed decision made under the legislation, as specified in condition B4-2.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the report. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within three (3) months of the date of the CEO's request or as agreed with the CEO in writing.	NR	A request by the CEO of DWER for this information was not issued during the FY2026 reporting period.
1262:MB4-3	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The report required by condition B4-2 must: (1) be submitted to the CEO within three (3) months of the date of the CEO's request or such longer period as the CEO agrees to in writing; and (2) explain the implication that the specified amendment or decision has had or is expected to have on:	Prepare report on the implications for the proposal of any amendment to the Safeguard Legislation or decision per the requirements of condition B4-3.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the report. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within three (3) months of the date of the CEO's request or as agreed with the CEO in writing.	NR	A request by the CEO of DWER for this information was not issued during the FY2026 reporting period.

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		(a) the obligation to reduce net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions from implementation of the proposal under the Safeguard Legislation; and (b) the quantity of actual net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions likely to result from the future implementation of the proposal.						
1262:MB5-1	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	The proponent must implement the proposal to meet the following environmental outcomes for the significant amendment: (1) no disturbance of the Aboriginal sites or to Aboriginal cultural heritage in the proposal disturbance footprint other than where consent is granted for the use of the land under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972; and (2) subject to reasonable health and safety requirements, no interruption to ongoing access to land utilised for traditional use or custom by the native title party/parties.	Implement internal disturbance approval process to meet the requirements of condition B5-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP's Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) has been implemented throughout the FY2026 reporting period to assess and condition all ground disturbing and land access activities. The GLUP system uses spatial exclusion zones around aboriginal cultural heritages to prevent unauthorised access or physical disturbance. Where required by risk assessment or BHP policies and procedures, additional physical barricading, signage and demarcation of aboriginal cultural heritage sites to prevent unauthorised access or physical disturbance. Where disturbance to Aboriginal sites or to Aboriginal cultural heritage is unavoidable, BHP will seek Section 18 approval prior to any disturbance or access. Subject to reasonable health and safety requirements, BHP maintains access to land utilised for traditional use or custom by Nyiyaparli traditional owners.
1262:MB5-2	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	The proponent must implement the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: (1) avoid, and where unavoidable, minimise adverse impacts to Aboriginal cultural heritage within and surrounding the proposal development envelope.	Implement internal disturbance approval process to meet the requirements of condition B5-2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB5-1
1262:MB5-3	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	The proponent must undertake ongoing consultation and engagement with the native title party/parties about the achievement of the outcomes and objectives in condition B5-1 and condition B5-2 for the life of the proposal	Consult relevant native title party/parties about achievement of the outcomes and objectives set out in conditions B5-1 and B5-2. Implement the Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP undertakes routine engagements with the Karlka Nyiyaparli Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (KNAC) through the Heritage and Environment committee, required under the comprehensive agreement.
1262:MB5-4	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	The proponent must undertake reasonable steps to consult with the native title party/parties about: (1) the design of waste rock landforms, pit voids and lakes as part of the Mine Closure Plan required under condition B7-2.	Consult relevant native title party/parties about the design of waste rock landforms, pit voids and lakes per condition B5-4. Implement the Social Cultural Heritage Management Plan Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Prior to submission of the Mine Closure Plan to the CEO.	C	BHP undertakes annual closure workshops with KNAC and Traditional Owners to seek input into proposed Jimblebar closure designs. These workshops will continue throughout the life of the proposal.
1262:MB6-1	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes: (1) flora and vegetation within rehabilitated areas are comparable with ecosystem structure and composition within suitable analogue or reference sites; (2) rehabilitated ecosystems are self-sustaining; (3) rehabilitated landforms are stable, do not cause pollution or environmental harm;	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to prepare and submit a rehabilitation strategy within 12 months of the approval of the proposal, which is to be included in an update of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan. The Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan (Rev 2; dated August 2019), Orebody 31 Mine Closure Plan (Rev

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		(4) rehabilitated drainage lines are stable and support ecological processes with no erosion features present that compromise rehabilitated landform stability; (5) the post-mining profile, for ex pit rehabilitated landforms, will be designed in consideration of visually integrating into the surrounding undisturbed landscape, continuing the surrounding contours of the low hills and slopes; and (6) pits will be backfilled above post mining recovered water levels where there is a closure acid and/or metalliferous drainage risk and a demonstrable moderate or high risk of that drainage disturbing sensitive environmental or cultural heritage receptors.						0; dated August 2015) and Orebody 17/18 Mine Closure Plan (Rev 1; dated February 2015) are regarded as the active plans during the reporting period and were prepared to meet the requirements of MS1126, MS1021 and MS439 as amended by MS1012. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP anticipates submitting a combined and updated version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.
1262:MB6-2	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure that the rehabilitation of ecosystems to achieve the outcomes in condition B6-1 is undertaken in a progressive manner during the rehabilitation planning phase, during operations and as soon as practicable upon closure, to increase the rates of rehabilitation and deliver improved outcomes.	Implement the most recent versions of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB6-1.
1262:MB6-3	Rehabilitation	The proponent must commence rehabilitation for areas cleared for infrastructure, roads or access within eighteen (18) months of that infrastructure, road or access no longer being required	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO and undertake rehabilitation as specified in condition B6-3	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within eighteen (18) months of infrastructure, road or access no longer being required over the life of the proposal.	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB6-1.
1262:MB6-4	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure that the process for rehabilitating ecosystems to achieve the outcomes in condition B6-1: (1) uses seed of local provenance which also contains Acacia corusca and Eremophila capricornica; (2) incorporates relevant and contemporary scientific outcomes; (3) incorporates regeneration or revegetation strategies which may be required for Acacia corusca and components of communities, including further investigations to determine appropriate regeneration methodologies, if the completion criteria for this species are not being achieved; (4) develops and implements management and/or mitigation actions to address any failure in achieving the completion criteria; (5) includes relevant research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs, targeting key issues in rehabilitation, to improve rehabilitation techniques, practices and outcomes; and (6) ensures outcomes from previous research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs have been incorporated into rehabilitation techniques and practices.	Implement the most recent version of the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO Develop and implement an action plan of management/mitigation corrective measures to address any failure to meet completion criteria per condition B6-4(4)	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal.	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB6-1.
1262:MB6-5	Rehabilitation	The proponent must prepare a Rehabilitation Strategy and submit to the CEO. The Rehabilitation Strategy must: (1) detail the types of ecosystems and total area of rehabilitation that the proponent will be required to rehabilitate across the development envelope consistent with the outcomes in condition B6-1; (2) outline the Rehabilitation Strategy for the proposal that satisfies the requirements of conditions B6-2, B6-3 and B6-4 and demonstrates how achievement of the outcomes in condition B6-1 will be monitored and substantiated; and (3) provide the expected timing and hectares of rehabilitation over the life of the proposal to demonstrate achievement of condition B6-2.	Update the Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the requirements of condition B6-5. Continue to implement the most recent version of the Mine closure Plan per condition C2-1. Publish the Mine Closure Plan including any revised versions on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	In accordance with MS1262, BHP will update the Mine Closure Plan to include the Rehabilitation Strategy for Jimblebar, with an anticipated submission in FY2027.
1262:MB6-6	Rehabilitation	The proponent must prepare a Rehabilitation Performance Report and submit to the CEO. The Rehabilitation Performance Report must:	Submit the MS1105 Rehabilitation Report to meet	Compliance reported annually in the MS1105	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of	C	BHP will submit the Rehabilitation Performance Report, as also required under

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		(1) provide an analysis of the rehabilitation processes and outcomes that the proponent has undertaken for the proposal since the commencement of mining, and those required by condition B6-4, and how these processes have been incorporated into past rehabilitation; (2) provide historical rates of rehabilitation for the proposal, an explanation of these rates and an analysis of the demonstrated success of that rehabilitation over time against the completion criteria; (3) provide evidence-based and effective completion criteria that demonstrate the achievement of the outcomes in condition B6-1; (4) provide annual reporting, commencing no later than the date of this Statement, on: (a) hectares rehabilitated; and (b) rehabilitation outcomes against the completion criteria. (5) detail the locations and hectares to be rehabilitated over the next five (5) years; (6) discuss the likely success of future rehabilitation activities in establishing self-sustaining ecosystems in consideration of: (a) relevant contemporary scientific evidence and outcomes; (b) outcomes of research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs; and (c) the types of ecosystems to be rehabilitated. (7) discuss future rehabilitation processes to be implemented to ensure the likely success of future rehabilitation activities in establishing self-sustaining ecosystems.	the requirements of condition B6-6. Publish the MS1105 Rehabilitation Report as part of the BHP AER on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.	CAR contained in BHP's AER.		the Ministerial Statement and every 5 years thereafter or otherwise agreed to by the CEO for the life of the proposal. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).		MS1105, to DWER in FY2027. Further information on rehabilitation performance under MS1262 can be found in 1262:MB6-1 above.
1262:MB7-1	Mine Closure	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes: (1) mining activities are rehabilitated and closed in a manner to make them physically safe to humans and animals, geotechnically stable, geochemically non-polluting/non-contaminating, and capable of sustaining an agreed post-mining land use, with consideration for cultural values.	Prepare and submit a Mine Closure Plan to the CEO that meets the outcome specified in condition B7-1 and according to the requirement set out in condition B7-2.	Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and every five years thereafter or otherwise agreed to by the CEO.	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB6-1.
1262:MB7-2	Mine Closure	The proponent must review and update the Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration's Guidelines for Mine Closure Plans, March 2025 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines) and submit to the CEO.	Revise and submit the Mine Closure Plan according to the requirements of condition B7-2. Continue to implement the most recent version of the confirmed Mine Closure Plan per condition C2-1. Publish the confirmed Mine Closure Plan including any revised plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the Mine Closure Plan. Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and every five years thereafter or otherwise agreed to by the CEO - until, per condition C1-1(5), the CEO, on advice of the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration; the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and the DBCA, has confirmed in writing that the Mine Closure Plan meets the requirements of condition B7-2. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be	C	See comment for Section 1262:MB6-1.

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1262:MB8-1	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent must contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to condition B8-8(2), to achieve the objective of counterbalancing the significant residual impacts to the following environmental values: (1) 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation; (2) Riparian vegetation; (3) Critical habitat for northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9; and (4) Supporting habitat for greater bilby (Macrotis lagotis), northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus), ghost bat (Macroderma gigas) and Pilbara olive python (Liasis olivaceus barroni), subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to condition B8-8(2), subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	NR	MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025, with the first bi-annual offset contribution to PEOF due following the end of FY2027.
1262:MB8-2	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund must be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the rates in condition B8-3. The first biennial reporting period must commence from ground disturbing activities of the environmental value(s) identified in condition B8-3.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	NR	See comment for Section 1262:MB8-1.
1262:MB8-3	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Calculated on the 2023-2024 financial year, the contribution rates are: (1) $986 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation cleared as a result of the proposal within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; (2) $1,972 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of riparian vegetation and important vegetation types, including potentially restricted vegetation, cleared as a result of the proposal within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; (3) $986 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of supporting habitat for the following values cleared in the Hamersley IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal: (a) northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) supporting habitat; (b) ghost bat (Macroderma gigas) supporting habitat; (c) Pilbara olive python (Liasis olivaceus barroni) supporting habitat; and (d) bilby (Macrotis lagotis) supporting habitat. (4) $1,972 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of critical habitat for the following values cleared in the Hamersley IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal: (a) northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) critical habitat. (5) $1,972 (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation cleared as a result of the proposal within the Fortescue IBRA subregion; (6) $3,944 (excluding GST) per hectare of riparian vegetation cleared as a result of the proposal within the Fortescue IBRA subregion; (7) $1,972 (excluding GST) per hectare of supporting habitat for the following values cleared in the Fortescue IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal: (a) northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) supporting habitat; (b) ghost bat (Macroderma gigas) supporting habitat; (c) Pilbara olive python (Liasis olivaceus barroni) supporting habitat; (d) bilby (Macrotis lagotis) supporting habitat (8) $3,944 (excluding GST) per hectare of critical habitat for the following values cleared in the Fortescue IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal: (a) northern quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) critical habitat.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	NR	See comment for Section 1262:MB8-1.
1262:MB8-4	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The rates in condition B8-3 change annually each subsequent financial year in accordance with the percentage change in the CPI applicable to that financial year.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	NR	Noted.

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1262:MB8-5	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	To achieve the objective in condition B8-1, the proponent must review and revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure – Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations, December 2023 and submit to the CEO for approval. This procedure must: (1) spatially define the environmental values identified in condition B8-1; (2) spatially define the areas where offsets required by condition B8-1 are to be exempt; (3) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the environmental values identified in condition B8-3; (4) state that clearing calculations for the first biennial reporting period will commence from ground disturbing activities in accordance with condition B8-2 and end on the second 30 June period following commencement of ground disturbing activities; (5) state that clearing calculations for each subsequent biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; and (6) be prepared in accordance with the Instructions for how to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Impact Reconciliation Reports (or any subsequent revisions).	Review and revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure – Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations, December 2023, to meet the requirements of condition B8-5 and submit the Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO for approval.	Copy of correspondence to the CEO submitting the revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure. Written endorsement of revised Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations Impact Reconciliation Procedure by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement.	NR	In accordance with MS1262, BHP will submit a revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure (IRP) in Q2 of FY2027.
1262:MB8-6	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent must review, revise and submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure in condition B8-5.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition B8-5.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	NR	See comment for Section 1262:MB8-1.
1262:MB8-7	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The Impact Reconciliation Report required pursuant to condition B8-6 must: (1) provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken as a result of the proposal during each year of the biennial reporting period; and (2) include evidence that clearing undertaken in any area was necessary for the commencement of proposal-related activities or operations in that cleared area within six (6) months of the clearing having occurred.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the requirements of condition B8-7.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	NR	See comment for Section 1262:MB8-1.
1262:MB8-8	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent may apply in writing and seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; and (2) the payment is made for the purpose of counterbalancing impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance.	Written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2.	Approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MB8-9	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The CEO may grant approval to discount the amount payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4) if the CEO is satisfied that the payment will offset the significant residual impacts of the proposal.	Written request to the CEO to discount the contribution payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4) per the requirement of condition B8-9.	Approval from the CEO to discount the amount payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4).	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MB8-10	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The clearing of native vegetation authorised under Ministerial Statement 439 prior to 3 February 2015 and the 4,644 ha of clearing of native vegetation previously approved under Ministerial Statements 683, 809 and 857 prior 22 October 2015 is exempt from the requirement to offset under condition B8-1.	N/A – information only	N/A – information only	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MB8-11	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Condition C2 applies to the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition B8-5 as if it were an environmental management plan.	Implement the most recent version of the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	NR	Noted.

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1262:MB8-12	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Failure to implement a confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure or submit an Impact Reconciliation Report as required by condition B8-6 represents a non-compliance with these conditions.	Report any potential non-compliance under condition B8-12 to the CEO within 7 days per condition D1-1(1). Submit a report to the CEO on failure to implement the IRP or IRR detailing the measures required in condition D1-1(1) – D1-1(7).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within seven (7) days of becoming aware of the non-compliance. Within twenty one (21) days of becoming aware of the potential non-compliance	NR	Noted.
1262:MC1-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Related to Commencement of Implementation of the Proposal	The proponent must: (1) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, revise and submit the Environmental Management Plan required by conditions B1-6, B3-3, B3-4 and B3-5 to meet the requirements of those conditions; (2) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, submit the Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan required by condition B1-7 that meets the requirements of that condition; (3) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, submit the Rehabilitation Strategy required by condition B6-5, that meets the requirements of that condition; (4) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, and five-yearly thereafter, submit the Rehabilitation Performance Report required by condition B6-6 that meets the requirement of that condition; (5) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement and every five (5) years thereafter, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, revise and submit the Mine Closure Plan required by condition B7-2 that meets the requirements of that condition, until the CEO, on advise of the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration; the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and the DBCA, has confirmed in writing that the Mine Closure Plan required by condition B7-2 meets the requirement of that condition; and (6) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement revise and submit the Impact Reconciliation Procedure (Offsets) required by condition B7-6 that meets the requirements of that condition.	Revise and submit to the CEO for approval each Environmental Management Plan referred to in condition C1-1(1) – Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan, East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan, Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan. *Submit to the CEO for approval each Environment Managemental Plan referred to in conditions C1-1(2), C1-1(3), C1-1(4), C1-1(5) - Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan, Rehabilitation Strategy, Rehabilitation Performance Report, Mine Closure Plan.* Revise and submit to the CEO for approval the Jimblebar Impact Reconciliation Procedure referred to condition C1-1(6).	Written endorsement of the relevant, plan, strategy, report or procedure specified in condition C1-1 by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO and at five-yearly intervals thereafter for the Rehabilitation Performance Report and Mine Closure Plan.	NR	As outlined in the CAR, with the exception of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan which was submitted to DWER on 10 December 2025, BHP anticipates submitting the updated Environmental Management Plans (EMPs) and procedures required under Part B of MS1262 to DWER in Q2 FY2027.
1262:MC2-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Upon being required to implement an environmental management plan under Part B, or after receiving notice in writing from the CEO under condition C1-1 that the environmental management plan(s) required by conditions B6-5, B6-6 and B7-2 satisfies the relevant requirements, or after receiving notice in writing from the CEO, on advice from DBCA, under conditions C1-1 that the environmental management plan(s) required under condition B1-6 and B6-5 satisfies the relevant requirements, the proponent must: (1) implement the most recent version of the confirmed environmental management plan; (2) continue to implement the confirmed management plan referred to in condition C2-1(1), other than for any period which the CEO confirms by notice in writing that is has been demonstrated that the relevant requirements for the environmental management plan have been met, or are able to be met under another statutory decision-making process, in which case the implementation of the environmental management plan is no longer required for that period.	*Implement the most recent versions of the management plans referred to in condition C2-1 (Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan, Acacia corusca Conservation and Research Plan, East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan, Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan, Jimblebar Mine Closure Plan, MS 1105 Rehabilitation Report and Jimblebar Hub Iron Ore Mining Operations Impact Reconciliation Procedure, December 2023) other than for any period advised by the CEO in writing where the Environmental Management Plan requirements have been*	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP has implemented the EMPs required under Part B of MS1262 and will continue to implement the EMPs unless otherwise directed by DWER.

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			met and implementation is no longer required for that period.					
1262:MC2-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	The proponent: (1) may review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan provided it meets the relevant requirements of that environmental management plan, including any consultation that may be required when preparing the environmental management plan; (2) must review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan and ensure it meets the relevant requirements of that environmental management plan, including any consultation that may be required when preparing the environmental management plan, as and when directed by the CEO; and (3) must revise and submit to the CEO the confirmed Environmental Management Plan if there is a material risk that the outcomes or objectives it is required to achieve will not be complied with, including but not limited to as a result of a change to the proposal.	Review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan per condition C2-2(1) and C2-2(2). Revise and submit to the CEO a confirmed environmental management plan where there is a material risk the outcomes or objectives of the plan will not be complied with.	Written endorsement of the relevant Environmental Management Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	As outlined in the CAR, with the exception of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan which was submitted to DWER on 10 December 2025, BHP anticipates submitting the updated Environmental Management Plans (EMPs) and procedures required under Part B of MS1262 to DWER in Q2 FY2027.
1262:MC2-3	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Despite condition C2-1, but subject to conditions C2-4 and C2-5, the proponent may implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan if the revision will not result in new or increased adverse impacts to the environment or result in a risk to the achievement of the limits, outcomes or objectives which the environmental management plan is required to achieve.	Implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan per condition C2-3 and subject to conditions C2-4 and C2-5.	Written endorsement of the environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MC2-4	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	If the proponent is to implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan under condition C2-3, the proponent must provide the CEO with the following at least twenty (20) business days before it implements the revisions: (1) the revised environmental management plan clearly showing the minor revisions; (2) an explanation of and justification for the minor revisions; and (3) an explanation of why the minor revisions will not result in new or increased adverse impact to the environment or result in a risk to the achievement of the limits, outcomes or objectives which the environmental management plan is required to achieve.	Make minor revisions to an environmental management plan subject to the requirements of condition C2-4 and submit it to the CEO for approval prior to implementation.	Written endorsement of the environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	At least twenty (20) business days before implementing the revised environmental management plan.	NR	Noted.
1262:MC2-5	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	The proponent must cease to implement any revisions which the CEO notifies the proponent (at any time) in writing may not be implemented.	Cease implementing any revisions of an environmental management plan per CEO written advice.	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising implementation of a revised environmental management plan has ceased per CEO written notification.	Overall	Receipt of written notification from the CEO to cease implementing a revision of an environmental management plan.	NR	BHP did not receive notification to cease implementation of an EMP during the reporting period.
1262:MC2-6	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Confirmed environmental management plans, and any revised environmental management plans under condition C2-4(1), must be published on the proponent's website and provided to the CEO in electronic form suitable for online publication by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation within twenty (20) business days of being implemented, or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	Publish confirmed and revised environmental management plans on the BHP website and provide a copy of each plan to the CEO in electronic form suitable for publication on the DWER website.	Copy of the link to the BHP website where the environmental management plans are published. Copy of correspondence to the CEO providing the environmental management plan for DWER publication.	Overall	Within twenty (20) days of being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	NR	BHP is awaiting endorsement for management plans required under MS1262 from the CEO of DWER. Following endorsements, EMPs will be published on BHPs website.
1262:MC3-1	Conditions Related to Monitoring	The proponent must undertake monitoring capable of: (1) substantiating whether the proposal limitations and extents in Part A are exceeded; and (2) detecting and substantiating whether the environmental outcomes identified in Part B are achieved (excluding any environmental outcomes in Part B where an environmental management plan is expressly required to monitor achievement of that outcome).	Undertake monitoring to meet the requirements of condition C3-1.	Submit the compliance monitoring report required in condition C3-2 according to the requirements of the condition.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the CAR above.

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1262:MC3-2	Conditions Related to Monitoring	The proponent must submit as part of the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2, a compliance monitoring report that: (1) outlines the monitoring that was undertaken during the implementation of the proposal; (2) identifies why the monitoring was capable of substantiating whether the proposal limitation and extents in Part A are exceeded; (3) for any environmental outcomes to which condition C3-1(2) applies, identifies why the monitoring was scientifically robust and capable of detecting whether the environmental outcomes in Part B are met; (4) outlines the results of the monitoring; (5) reports whether the proposal limitations and extents in Part A were exceeded and (for any environmental outcomes to which condition C3-1(2) applies) whether the environmental outcomes in Part B were achieved, based on analysis of the results of the monitoring; and (6) reports any actions taken by the proponent to remediate any potential non-compliance.	Prepare and submit to the CEO a compliance monitoring report with the annual Compliance Assessment Report that meets the requirements of condition C3-2.	Written endorsement of the Compliance Monitoring Report by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the FY2026 CAR.
1262:MC4-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Monitoring and Adaptive Management for Outcomes Based Conditions	The environmental management plans required under conditions B1-6, B3-3, B3-4, B3-5, B6-5 and B7-2 must contain provisions which enable the substantiation of whether the relevant outcomes of those conditions are met and must include: (1) threshold criteria that provide a limit beyond which the environmental outcomes are not achieved; (2) trigger criteria that will provide and early warning that the environmental outcomes are not likely to be met; (3) monitoring parameters, sites, control/reference sites, methodology, timing and frequencies which will be used to measure threshold criteria and trigger criteria. Include methodology for determining alternate monitoring sites as a contingency if proposed sites are not suitable in the future; (4) baseline data; (5) data collection and analysis methodologies; (6) adaptive management methodology; (7) contingency measures which will be implemented if threshold criteria or trigger criteria are not met; and (8) reporting requirements.	Include provisions in the environmental management plans referred to in condition C4-1 (Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan, East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and Jimblebar Hub Water Management Plan, Rehabilitation Strategy, Mine Closure Plan) which substantiate whether the management plan outcomes are met, including provisions which address the requirements listed in the condition C4-1.	Written endorsement of each environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	When management plans are prepared or revised through the life of the proposal.	NR	As outlined in the CAR, with the exception of the Jimblebar Water Management Plan which was submitted to DWER on 10 December 2025, BHP anticipates submitting the updated Environmental Management Plans (EMPs) and procedures required under Part B of MS1262 to DWER in Q2 FY2027. All Environmental Management Plans have been prepared to meet the requirements of condition C4-1.
1262:MC4-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Monitoring and Adaptive Management for Outcomes Based Conditions	Without limiting condition C3-1, failure to achieve an environmental outcome, or exceedance of a threshold criteria, regardless of whether threshold contingency measures have been or are being implemented, represents a non-compliance with these conditions.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 (Non-compliance Reporting) and undertake the measures required in conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Report the non-compliance in writing within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within twenty (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	NR	Noted.
1262:MC5-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Management Actions and Targets for Objective Based Conditions	The environmental management plan required under condition B1-6 must contain provisions which enable the achievement of the relevant objectives of those conditions and substantiation of whether the objectives are reasonably likely to be met, and must include: (1) management actions; (2) management targets; (3) contingency measures if management targets are not met; and (4) reporting requirements	Include management actions, management targets, contingency measures and reporting requirements in the Jimblebar Hub Flora and Vegetation Management Plan to enable achievement and substantiation of the objectives of the Plan.	Written endorsement of each environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	All Environmental Management Plans have been prepared to meet the requirements of condition C5-1.
1262:MC5-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions	Without limiting condition C2-1, the failure to achieve an environmental objective, or implement a management action, regardless of whether contingency measures have been or are being implemented, represents a non-compliance with these conditions.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance.	Overall	Report the non-compliance in writing within seven (7) days	NR	Noted.

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	Relating to Management Actions and Targets for Objective Based Conditions		requirements of condition D1-1 (Non-compliance Reporting) and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER		of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within twenty (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).		
1262:MD1-1	Non-compliance Reporting	If the proponent becomes aware of a potential non-compliance, the proponent must: (1) report this to the CEO within seven (7) days; (2) implement contingency measures; (3) investigate the cause; (4) investigate environmental impacts; (5) advise rectification measures to be implemented; (6) advise any other measures to be implemented to ensure no further impact; (7) advise timeframe in which contingency, rectification and other measures have and/or will be implemented; and (8) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) day of being aware of the potential non-compliance, detailing the measures required in conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(7) above.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Report the non-compliance to the CEO within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report to the CEO within twenty one (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	NR	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the FY2026 CAR.
1262:MD1-2	Non-compliance Reporting	Failure to comply with the requirements of a condition, or with the content of an environmental management plan required under a condition, constitutes a non-compliance with these conditions, regardless of whether the contingency measures, rectification or other measures in condition D1-1 above have been or are being implemented.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Report the non-compliance within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within twenty one (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	NR	See comment for Section MS1262:MD1-1.
1262:MD2-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent must provide an annual Compliance Assessment Report to the CEO for the purpose of determining whether implementation conditions are being complied with.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Report.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	The Compliance Assessment Plan (CAP) was submitted to DWER on 16 March 2026. BHP will continue to assess and report compliance annually through BHP WAIO AER. The submitted Compliance Assessment Plan was prepared to meet the requirements of Condition D2-6.
1262:MD2-2	Compliance Reporting	Unless a different date or frequency is approved by the CEO, the first annual Compliance Assessment Report must be submitted within fifteen (15) months of the date of this Statement, and subsequent reports must be submitted annually from that date.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Report.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See comment for Section MS1262:MD2-1.
1262:MD2-3	Compliance Reporting	Each annual Compliance Assessment Report must be endorsed by the proponent's Chief Executive Officer, or a person approved by the proponent's Chief Executive Officer to be delegated to sign on the Chief Executive Officer's behalf.	BHP CEO or CEO's delegate to endorse each annual Compliance Assessment Report.	Endorsed Compliance Assessment Report submitted in the AER.	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See comment for Section MS1262:MD2-1.
1262:MD2-4	Compliance Reporting	Each annual Compliance Assessment Report must: (1) state whether each condition of this Statement has been complied with, including: (a) exceedance of any proposal limits and extents; (b) achievement of environmental outcomes; (c) achievement of environmental objectives;	Prepare the Compliance Assessment Report according to the requirements in condition D2-4.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See comment for Section MS1262:MD2-1.

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		(d) requirements to implement the content of environmental management plans (e) monitoring requirements; (f) implement contingency measures; (g) requirements to implement adaptive management; and (h) reporting requirements; (2) include in the results of any monitoring (inclusive of any raw data) that has been required under Part C in order to demonstrate that the limits in Part A, and any outcomes or any objectives are being met; (3) provide evidence to substantiate statements of compliance, or details of where there has been a non-compliance; (4) include the corrective, remedial and preventative actions taken in response to any potential non-compliance; (5) be provided in a form suitable for publication on the proponent's website and online by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; and (6) be prepared and published consistent with the latest version of the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition D2-5 which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing satisfies the relevant requirements of Part C and Part D.						
1262:MD2-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent must prepare a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2-2, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan) to the CEO according to the requirements in condition D2-6.	Copy of the submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Six (6) months prior to submission of the first Compliance Assessment Report or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	C	MS1262 was approved on 8 December 2025 and requires BHP to prepare and submit a CAP which is submitted to the CEO of DWER at least six months prior to the first CAR. In accordance with the requirements of MS1262, BHP submitted a Compliance Assessment Plan on 16 March 2026 for approval by the CEO of DWER. At the time of preparation of this report, BHP has not received any comments from DWER or approval of the revised management plan. The submitted CAP was prepared to meet the requirements of Condition D2-6
1262:MD2-6	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan must include: (1) what, when and how information will be collected and recorded to assess compliance; (2) the methods which will be used to assess compliance; (3) the methods which will be used to validate the adequacy of the compliance assessment to determine whether the implementation conditions are being complied with; (4) the retention of compliance assessments; (5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports, including audit tables; and (6) how and when Compliance Assessment Reports will be made publicly available, including usually being published on the proponent's website within sixty (60) days of being provided to the CEO.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan) to the CEO according to the requirements in condition D2-6.	Copy of the submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Six (6) months prior to submission of the first Compliance Assessment Report or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner	C	Comment as per 1262:MD2-5.
1262:MD3-1	Contact Details	The proponent must notify the CEO of any changes to its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association or persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes to proponent details in writing	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within twenty eight (28) days of any change of name, physical address or postal address.	C	Proponent details have not changed during the reporting period.
1262:MD4-1	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proposal must be substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of this Statement	Implement the proposal according to the criteria provided in condition A1-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within five (5) years of the Ministerial Statement	C	BHP provided email notification to DWER on 15 July 2026 that substantial commencement of the proposal was achieved on 20 June 2026. This notification

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								occurred within five years of the approval of MS1262.
13262:MD4-2	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that they have complied with condition D4-1 no later than thirty (30) days after substantial commencement.	Provide the CEO with documentary evidence of substantial commencement of the proposal within 30 days of commencement.	Copy of documentary evidence submitted to the CEO.	Overall	Within thirty (30) days of substantial commencement of the proposal.	C	See comment for Section 1262:MD4-1.
1262:MD4-3	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	If the proposal has not been substantially commenced within the period specified in condition D4-1, implementation of the proposal must not be commenced or continued after the expiration of that period.	Proposal implementation must not be commenced or continued if it has not been substantially commenced within 5 years of the Ministerial Statement.	Written confirmation that the proposal will not be implemented following expiry of the proposal time limit specified in condition D4-1.		After five (5) years from the date of the Ministerial Statement.	NR	Noted.
1262:MD5-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition D5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO upon the issue of this Statement and for the remainder of the proposal, the proponent must make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data collected before and after the date of this Statement relevant to the proposal (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, monitoring and other empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environmental management plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.	Subject to condition D5-2, all validated environmental data collected before or after the date of the Ministerial Statement (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, monitoring and other empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environmental management plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the proposal and implementation of the Ministerial Statement will be publicly available on request in a manner approved by the CEO.	Evidence of data provision following request.	Overall	Within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO	NR	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the CAR above. All relevant environmental monitoring data and information on monitoring program findings is included in the relevant section of each Environmental Management Plan or environmental aspect in the CAR.
1262:MD5-2	Public Availability of Data	If: (1) any data referred to in condition D5-1 contains trade secrets; or (2) any data referred to in condition D5-1 contains particulars of confidential information (other than trade secrets) that has commercial value to a person that would be, or could reasonably expected to be, destroyed or diminished if the confidential information were published, the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make this data publicly available and the CEO may agree to such a request if the CEO is satisfied that the data meets the above criteria.	Written request to the CEO for an exemption for provision of environmental data to the public, supported by an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available, per condition D5-3.	Approval from the CEO for the exemption.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MD5-3	Public Availability of Data	In making such a request the proponent must provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.	Written request to the CEO for an exemption to provide environmental data to the public to include an explanation and reasons for the request.	Copy of the written request submitted to the CEO.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	Noted.
1262:MD6-1	Independent Audit	The proponent must arrange for an independent audit of compliance with the conditions of this Statement, including achievement of the environmental outcomes and/or the environmental objectives and/or environmental performance with the conditions of this Statement, as and when directed by the CEO	Undertake an independent audit of compliance with Ministerial Statement conditions per condition D6-1 as directed by the CEO and by a qualified auditor nominated or approved by the CEO.	Copy of the audit report required by condition D6-3. submitted to the CEO	Overall	When directed by the CEO.	NR	During the FY2026 reporting period, BHP did not receive any direction of this nature from the CEO of DWER.

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1262:MD6-2	Independent Audit	The independent audit must be carried out by a person with appropriate qualifications who is nominated or approved by the CEO to undertake the audit under condition D6-1.	Engage a suitably qualified person nominated or approved by the CEO to undertake the independent audit required by condition D6-1.	Approval of the auditor by the CEO.	Overall	When directed by the CEO.	NR	Comment as per 1262:MD6-1.
1262:MD6-3	Independent Audit	The proponent must submit that independent audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2, or at any time as and when directed in writing by the CEO. The audit report is to be supported by credible evidence to substantiate its findings.	Submit an independent audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report per condition D6-3.	Copy of the audit report.	Overall	At any time as and when directed by the CEO in writing.	NR	Comment as per 1262:MD6-1.
1262:MD6-4	Independent Audit	The independent audit report required by condition D6-1 is to be made publicly available in the same timeframe, manner and for as a Compliance Assessment Report, or as otherwise directed by the CEO.	Include the audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report in the AER to meet the requirement of D6-4.	Copy of the audit report included in the AER. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Annually in the AER or as directed by the CEO.	NR	Comment as per 1262:MD6-1.

3.22 Ministerial Statement 1266

3.22.1 Introduction

This Compliance Assessment Report covers all conditions of Ministerial Statement 1266 – Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment for the reporting period between 4 February 2026 and 30 June 2026.

The Orebody 29/30/35 mining operations (OB29/30/35) are located approximately two kilometres south of BHPs Mt Whaleback mining operations. Authority to mine Orebody 29/30/35 was originally approved under the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*.

The proposed below water table mining operations at OB29/30/35 was referred to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). Ministerial Statement 1266 - Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment was granted to BHP on 4 February 2026.

3.22.2 Summary of Proposal's Implementation Status

Ministerial Statement 1266 - Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment was issued to DWER on the 4 February 2026 and is now operational. This statement supersedes Ministerial Statement 963.

On the 3 December 2024, the OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was submitted to the EPA for review, with the proposal to expand existing iron ore mining operations at Orebody 29/30/35. This also includes the construction of a new pipeline to Ophthalmia Dam to support an increased groundwater abstraction to dewater up to a limit of 24.5 GL per annum, and an increased surplus water discharge limit to 20.8GL per annum. MS 1266 was approved on the 4 February 2026.

3.22.3 Statement of Compliance

1) Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment
Statement Number	1266
Proponent Name	BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	008 700 981

2) Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	4 February 2026 to 30 June 2026		
Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))			
☐ Pre-construction	☐ Construction	☑ Operation	☐ Decommissioning
Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:			
Please refer to the Ministerial Statement 1266 – Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment audit table inserted below.			
Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)			
☐ No (please proceed to Section 3)		☑ Yes (please proceed to Section 4)	

3) Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

There were no non-compliances or potential non-compliances with Ministerial Statement 1266 identified within the FY2026 reporting period.

4) Proponent Declaration

I, Tim Day, Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO), declare that I am authorised on behalf of BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd (being the person responsible for the proposal) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature: ..... *Signature redacted* ..... Date: 22/09/2026

Please note that:

- it is an offence under Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular;
- the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has powers under Section 47(3)(a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

3.22.4 Details of Declared Compliance Status

This section includes details of the declared compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure of Ministerial Statement 1266and covers:

- *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report
- Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan
- Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan
- Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance Report
- Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan
- Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure
- Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation;
- MS Status Map;
- MS Audit Table.

Indolpium sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report

A consultant was engaged to undertake an investigation of specific pseudoscorpion specimens collected within Ministerial Statement 1266. The overarching objective of the scope is to resolve the taxonomy of the *Indolpium* sp. indet. records within the Ministerial Statement boundary to species level through molecular analysis (i.e. sequencing) of available and viable specimens. The results of the molecular analysis will be used to determine, where possible, the distribution and associated habitat of species within the *Indolpium* genus. The final *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report is expected to be submitted to BHP in March 2027.

Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan

The East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan (EPWRMP) (Rev 6; dated April 2018) is regarded as the active plan during the reporting period and was prepared to meet the requirements of MS1021, MS857 and MS1037. Ministerial Statement 1266 (the Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment proposal) was approved on 4 February 2026 and requires BHP to review, update and submit an updated version of the EPWRMP within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1266, BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the EPWRMP in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan

The Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan was submitted to DWER as part of the referral for the significant amendment to MS963. The approved MS1266 has a condition which requires BHP to update and submit the OB29/30/25 Water (PFAS) Management Plan within 12 months of MS1266 being approved. BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the OB29/30/25 Water (PFAS) Management Plan in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance Report

The Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance Report Plan was submitted to DWER as part of the referral for the significant amendment to MS963. The approved MS1266 has a condition which requires BHP to update and submit the Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy and Performance Report within 12 months of MS1266 being approved. BHP anticipates submitting an updated version of the OB29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy and Rehabilitation Performance Report in FY2027 for approval by the CEO of DWER.

Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan

The OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 5, June 2018, addressing comments from DWER, was submitted on 4 July 2018. The plan was approved on 14 November 2018. OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan Revision 6, November 2021 was submitted on 22 November 2021. EPA services provided comments to BHP in January 2024. BHP then incorporated these comments and resubmitted the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Version 7.0) to also support the submission of the Significant Amendment in December 2024. BHP has not received a response.

Ministerial Statement 1266 Authorised extent

Table 3-81 Ministerial Statement 1266 Authorised Extent

Element	Authorised Extent	Compliance Status
Disturbance of native vegetation	Clearing of no more than 116 ha of native vegetation within the development envelope of 1,346 ha. Clearing of no more than 104 ha of native vegetation in a 'Good' or 'Excellent' condition for the significant amendment. Direct disturbance to riparian vegetation limited to 1.23 ha for the significant amendment.	All clearing conducted within the Development Envelope.
		Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 is as per Table 3-82 below.
Dewatering	Abstraction of up to 24.5 GL/a of groundwater	3.1 GL dewatered from all OB29/30/35 pits from 4 February – 30 June 2026 (during the time that this Ministerial Statement has been approved).
Surplus dewater management	Discharge of up to 20.8 GL/a surplus dewater into Ophthalmia Dam.	1.82 GL of surplus dewater discharged into Ophthalmia Dam from 4 February – 30 June 2026 (during the time that this Ministerial Statement has been approved).

Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 3-82 below provides the cumulative disturbance and rehabilitation for the Orebody 29/30/35 Significant Amendment. Table 3-83 shows the corresponding land use by MRF category.

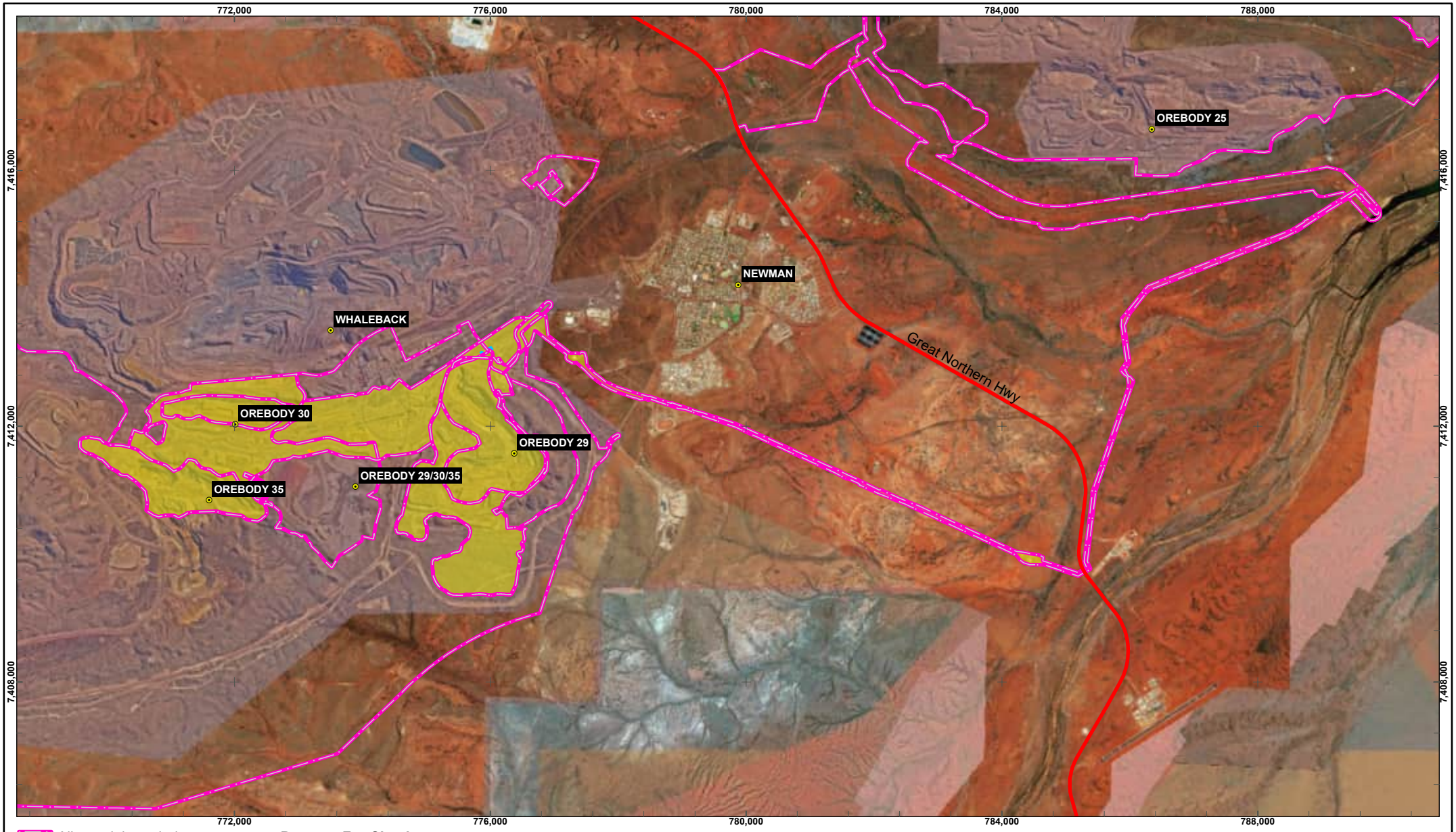
Table 3-82 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1266

Description	Area Disturbed (ha) Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Mine and associated infrastructure	0.64
Total	**0.64**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha) Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	0.00
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**0.00**

Table 3-83 Land use by MRF category for the FY2026 reporting period – MS1266

MRF Code	Description	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
0	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.00
1	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0.18
2	Heap or vat leach facility	0.00
3	Evaporation pond	0.00
4	Dam saline water or process liquor	0.00
5	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.00
6	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.00
7	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.00
8	Plant site	0.00
9	Fuel storage facility	0.00
10	Workshop	0.00
11	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	0.00
12	Landfill site	0.00
13	Diversion channel or drain	0.00
14	Dam fresh water	0.00
15	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	0.00
16	Sewage pond	0.00
17	Run-of-mine pad	0.00
18	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.00
19	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.46
20	Airstrip	0.00
21	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	0.00
22	Laydown or hardstand area	0.00
23	Core yard	0.00
24	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.00
25	Borefield	0.00
26	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	0.00
27	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	0.00
28	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	0.00
29	Land under rehabilitation, where the mining authorisation is not a prospecting licence or exploration licence granted under the Mining Act 1978	0.00
30	Topsoil stockpile	0.00
31	Exploration rehabilitation (not subject to MRF)	0.00
32	Not Applicable	0.00



All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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LAND DISTURBANCE AND REHABILITATION
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Note:

- Phases that apply in this table = Pre-Construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning, Overall (several phases).
- This audit table is a summary and timetable of conditions and commitments applying to this project. Refer to the Minister's Statement for full detail/precise wording of individual elements.
- Code prefixes M = Minister's condition, P = Proponent's commitment.
- Abbreviations: CAR = Compliance Assessment Report; CEO = Chief Executive Officer of OEPA (now DWER); DEC = Department of Environment and Conservation; DER = Department of Environment Regulation; DWER = Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; DIA = Department of Indigenous Affairs (now DPLH= Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage); DMP= Department of Mining and Petroleum (now DMIRS= Department of Mines, Industry and Safety); DoH = Department of Health; DoW = Department of Water, EPA = Environmental Protection Authority, Minister for Env = Minister for the Environment; OEPA= Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (now DWER).
- Compliance Status: C = Compliant, CLD = Completed, NC = Non–compliant, PNC = Potentially Non–compliant, NR = Not Required at this stage. Please note the terms NA = Not Audited and VR = Verification Required are only for DWER use. IP = In Process may only be used by the proponent in circumstances outlined in Section 2.8 of the Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table.

Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
1266:MA1-1	Limitations and Extent of Proposal	The proponent must ensure that the proposal is implemented in such a manner that the following limitations or maximum extents / capacities / ranges for the proposal elements provided in condition A1-1 are not exceeded. (1) development envelope of 1,346 ha; (2) disturbance to native vegetation: (a) clearing of no more 116 ha of native vegetation within the development envelope of 1,346 ha; (b) clearing of no more than 104 ha of native vegetation in a 'Good' or 'Excellent' condition for the significant amendment; (c) direct disturbance to riparian vegetation limited to 1.23 ha for the significant amendment; (3) groundwater abstraction of up to 24.5 GL/a; (4) discharge of up to 20.8 GL/a surplus water to the Ophthalmia Dam system; (5) project life of approximately 50 years (construction, operation, decommissioning and closure (to rehabilitation execution)) from the date of issue of the Ministerial Statement	Implement the proposal according to the maximum extents / capacities /ranges provided in condition A1-1.	Compliance reported annually in the Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) contained in BHP Iron Ore's (BHP's) Annual Environmental Report (AER)	Overall	Life of the Proposal	C	The proposal was implemented from February 2026 in accordance with the limitations and maximum extents provided in Condition A1-1. Specific compliance for each limitation and maximum extent is outlined in Table 6 of the MS1266 CAR.
1266:MB1-1	Flora and Vegetation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcome for the significant amendment: (1) disturb no more than 104 ha of 'Good to Excellent' condition native vegetation; (2) disturb no more than 1.23 ha of riparian vegetation; and (3) no indirect disturbance to groundwater dependent vegetation compared to baseline groundwater in drawdown extent areas as shown in Figure 4 of Ministerial Statement 1266.	Implement BHP's internal disturbance permit approval process. Implement the Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure Implement the latest version of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan approved by the CEO	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	From 4 February 2026, the proposal was implemented in accordance with Condition B1-1 and the currently approved Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan. BHP will submit the Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. The environmental outcomes and disturbance limits specified in Condition B1-1 were achieved during the reporting period.
1266:MB2-1	Terrestrial Fauna	The proponent must prepare an *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report within twelve (12) months of the date of this statement and submit it to the CEO. The Report must: (1) identify the objectives and intended outcomes to resolve the taxonomy of the *Indolpium* sp. indet. recorded within the proponent's tenure to species level through molecular analysis and determine the distribution and associated habitat of species within the genus; (2) specify the deliverables and completion criteria relevant to the outcomes and objectives in condition B2-1(1); (3) provide an implementation and reporting schedule, including an outline of key activities, all deliverables, stages of implementation, reporting of research results (including any interim results), reporting on implementation status, and milestones towards completion criteria; (4) identify how a Taxonomy and Distribution Report summary, and the results (including interim results) of the report will be communicated and/or published in an open access format, and (5) identify the third party to carry out the work required to meet the outcomes of condition B2-1(1), who is satisfactory for the role to the CEO. In applying to the CEO for endorsement of the selected third parties, the proponent shall provide: (a) demonstration of the track record, experience, qualifications and competencies of the proposed third party to carry out the work and achieve the outcomes.	Prepare the *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report approved by the CEO as required by condition B2-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement	C	Ministerial Statement 1266 was approved on 4 February 2026 and requires BHP to submit an *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report within 12 months of the approval of the proposal. In accordance with the requirements of MS1266, BHP anticipates submitting the *Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report in FY2027 for approval by DWER.

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1266:MB3-1	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must implement the proposal to achieve the following environmental outcomes: (1) maintain the habitat, groundwater levels and water quality in the Ethel Gorge aquifer to support the stygofauna habitat of the Ethel Gorge TEC and the Newman Water Reserve Priority 1 Public Drinking Water Source Area	Implement the latest version of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan approved by the CEO Implement the latest version of the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	From 4 February 2026, the proposal was implemented in accordance with Condition B3-1 and the currently approved Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan. BHP will submit the Orebody 29/30/35 Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan within 12 months of the approval of the proposal, as per Condition C1-1(1)..
1266:MB3-2	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must update the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition C4 and demonstrates how achievement of the environmental outcomes in condition B3-1(1) are achieved, monitored and substantiated, and submit to the CEO.	Update the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan according to the requirements of conditions C4 and B3-1(1) and submit to the CEO for approval. Publish the East Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan including any revised versions on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6	Copy of correspondence to the CEO submitting the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan. Written endorsement of the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(1).
1266:MB3-3	Inland Waters and Subterranean Fauna	The proponent must update the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan that satisfies the requirements of condition C4 and demonstrate how achievement of the environmental outcomes in condition B3-1(1) will be monitored and substantiated and submit to the CEO.	Update the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan according to the requirements of condition C4 and B3-1(1) and submit to the CEO for approval. Publish the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan including any revised versions on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6	Copy of correspondence to the CEO submitting the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan. Written endorsement of the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(1).
1266:MB4-1	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must notify the CEO in writing within one month of it becoming aware that implementation of the proposal will not be or is not expected to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation as a designated large facility (the notifiable event) and such notice must briefly describe the reasons for and expected duration of the notifiable event.	Written notification to the CEO advising the facility will potentially not be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation, as specified in condition B4-1.	Copy of correspondence to CEO. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within one (1) month of becoming aware that implementation of the proposal will not or is not expected to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation.	NR	Newman Operations (NGER facility) is expected to continue to be regulated under the Safeguard Legislation in FY2026. Scope 1 emissions for the period are reported to the CER by 31 October 2026. Safeguard data for the FY2026 period is published on the CER's website by 15 April 2027
1266:MB4-2	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The proponent must, if requested in writing by the CEO, provide the CEO with a report on the implications for the proposal of any amendment or proposed amendment to the Safeguard Legislation, or a decision or proposed decision made under the Safeguard Legislation that is specified in the CEO's request.	Written notification to the CEO reporting on the implications of any amendment/proposed amendment of the Safeguard Legislation or decision/proposed decision	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the report. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within three (3) months of the date of the CEO's request or as agreed with the CEO in writing.	C	A request by the CEO of DWER for this information was not issued during the FY26 reporting period.

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			made under the legislation, as specified in condition B4-2.					
1266:MB4-3	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	The report required by condition B4-2 must: (1) be submitted to the CEO within three months of the date of the CEO's request or such longer period as the CEO agrees to in writing; and (2) explain the implication that the specified amendment or decision has or had or is expected to have on: (a) the obligation to reduce net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions from implementation of the proposal under the Safeguard Legislation; and (b) the quantity of actual net Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions likely to result from the future implementation of the proposal.	Prepare report on the implications for the proposal of any amendment to the Safeguard Legislation or decision per the requirements of condition B4-3.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the report. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within three (3) months of the date of the CEO's request or as agreed with the CEO in writing.	NR	A request by the CEO of DWER for this information was not issued during the FY26 reporting period.
1266:MB5-1	Social Surroundings	The proponent must implement the proposal to meet the following environmental outcomes: (1) no disturbance of the Aboriginal sites or to Aboriginal cultural heritage in the proposal disturbance footprint other than where consent is granted for the use of the land under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972*; and (2) subject to reasonable health and safety requirements, no interruption of ongoing access to land utilised for traditional use or custom by the native title party/parties.	Implement internal disturbance approval process to meet the requirements of condition B5-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP's Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) has been implemented throughout the FY2026 reporting period to assess and condition all ground disturbing and land access activities. The GLUP system uses spatial exclusion zones around aboriginal cultural heritages to prevent unauthorised access or physical disturbance. Where required by risk assessment or BHP policies and procedures, additional physical barricading, signage and demarcation of aboriginal cultural heritage sites to prevent unauthorised access or physical disturbance. Where disturbance to Aboriginal sites or to Aboriginal cultural heritage is unavoidable, BHP will seek Section 18 approval prior to any disturbance or access. Subject to reasonable health and safety requirements, BHP maintains access to land utilised for traditional use or custom by Nyiyaparli traditional owners.
1266:MB5-2	Social Surroundings	The proponent must implement the proposal to meet the following environmental objective: avoid, and where unavoidable, minimise adverse impacts to Aboriginal cultural heritage within and surrounding the proposal development envelope.	Implement internal disturbance approval process to meet the requirements of condition B5-2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See compliance to condition B5-1.
1266:MB5-3	Social Surroundings	The proponent must undertake ongoing consultation and engagement with the native title party/parties about the achievement of the outcomes and objectives in condition B5-1 and condition B5-2 for the life of the proposal	Consult relevant native title party/parties about achievement of the outcomes and objectives set out in conditions B5-1 and B5-2.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP undertakes routine engagements with the Karlka Nyiyaparli Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (KNAC) through the Heritage and Environment committee, required under the comprehensive agreement.
1266:MB5-4	Social Surroundings	The proponent must undertake reasonable steps to consult with the native title party/parties about: (1) the design of overburden storage areas, integrated waste landforms, pit voids and land bridges as part of the Mine Closure Plan required under condition B7-2.	Consult relevant native title party/parties about the design of waste rock landforms, pit voids and lakes per condition B5-4. Implement the most recent version of the Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Prior to submission of the Mine Closure Plan to the CEO.	C	See compliance to condition B5-3.
1266:MB6-1	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes: (1) flora and vegetation within rehabilitated areas are comparable with ecosystem structure and composition within suitable analogue or reference sites;	Implement the most recent version of the Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP has updated the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan to satisfy the requirements of condition B6-1, B6-2, B6-3, B6-4, B7-1 and

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		(2) rehabilitated ecosystems are self-sustaining; (3) rehabilitated landforms are stable, do not cause pollution or environmental harm; and (4) rehabilitated drainage lines are stable and support ecological processes with no erosion features present that compromise rehabilitated landform stability.						B7-2. Version 7.0 of the OB29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan is currently pending endorsement.
1266:MB6-2	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure that the rehabilitation of ecosystems to achieve the outcomes in condition B6-1 is undertaken in a progressive manner during the rehabilitation planning phase, during operations and as soon as practicable upon closure.	Implement the most recent version of the Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	See compliance to condition B6-1.
1266:MB6-3	Rehabilitation	The proponent must commence rehabilitation for areas cleared for infrastructure, roads or access within eighteen (18) months of that infrastructure, road or access no longer being required	Implement the most recent version of the Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO and undertake rehabilitation as specified in condition B6-3	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Within eighteen (18) months of infrastructure, road or access no longer being required over the life of the proposal.	C	See compliance to condition B6-1.
1266:MB6-4	Rehabilitation	The proponent must ensure that the process for rehabilitating ecosystems to achieve the outcomes in condition B6-1: (1) uses seed of local provenance; (2) incorporates relevant and contemporary scientific outcomes; (3) incorporates regeneration or revegetation strategies which may be required for components of communities, including further investigations to determine appropriate regeneration methodologies, if the completion criteria for the community are not being achieved; (4) develops and implements management and/or mitigation actions to address any failure in achieving the completion criteria; (5) includes relevant research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs, targeting key issues in rehabilitation, to improve rehabilitation techniques, practices and outcomes; and (6) ensures outcomes from previous research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs have been incorporated into rehabilitation techniques and practices.	Implement the most recent version of the Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan approved by the CEO Develop and implement an action plan of management/mitigation corrective measures to address any failure to meet completion criteria per condition B6-4(4)	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained in BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal.	C	See compliance to condition B6-1.
1266:MB6-5	Rehabilitation	The proponent must prepare a Rehabilitation Strategy and submit to the CEO. The Rehabilitation Strategy must: (1) detail the types of ecosystems and total area of rehabilitation that the proponent will be required to rehabilitate across the development envelope consistent with the outcomes in condition B6-1; (2) outline the Rehabilitation Strategy for the proposal that satisfies the requirements of conditions B6-2, B6-3 and B6-4 and demonstrates how achievement of the outcomes in condition B6-1 will be monitored and substantiated; and (3) provide the expected timing and hectares of rehabilitation over the life of the proposal to demonstrate achievement of condition B6-2.	Prepare the Rehabilitation Strategy per the requirements of condition B6-5 and submit the strategy to the CEO for approval. Continue to implement the most recent version of the confirmed strategy per condition C2-1. Publish the confirmed Rehabilitation Strategy including any revised strategy on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6.	Written endorsement of the Rehabilitation Strategy by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Rehabilitation Strategy will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(2).
1266:MB6-6	Rehabilitation	The proponent must prepare a Rehabilitation Performance Report and submit to the CEO. The Rehabilitation Performance Report must: (1) provide an analysis of the rehabilitation processes and outcomes that the proponent has undertaken for the proposal since the commencement of mining, and those required by condition B6-4, and how these processes have been incorporated into past rehabilitation;	Submit for CEO approval the MS1105 Rehabilitation Report to meet the requirements of condition B6-6. Continue to implement the most recent version of the confirmed report per condition C2-1.	Written endorsement of the Rehabilitation Report by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and every five (5) years thereafter or otherwise agreed to by the CEO.	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Rehabilitation Performance Report will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(3).

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		(2) provide historical rates of rehabilitation for the proposal, an explanation of these rates and an analysis of the demonstrated success of that rehabilitation over time against the completion criteria; (3) provide evidence-based and effective completion criteria that demonstrate the achievement of the outcomes in condition B6-1; (4) provide annual reporting, commencing no later than the date of this Statement, on: (a) hectares rehabilitated; and (b) rehabilitation outcomes against the completion criteria. (5) detail the locations and hectares to be rehabilitated over the next five (5) years; (6) discuss the likely success of future rehabilitation activities in establishing self-sustaining ecosystems in consideration of: (a) relevant contemporary scientific evidence and outcomes; (b) outcomes of research, investigations, trials and monitoring programs; and (c) the types of ecosystems to be rehabilitated. (7) discuss future rehabilitation processes to be implemented to ensure the likely success of future rehabilitation activities in establishing self-sustaining ecosystems.	Publish the confirmed Rehabilitation Report including any revised plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website, per condition C2-6. NOTE: the Performance Report requires annual rehabilitation reporting per condition B6-6(4) however condition C1-1(4) requires the report to be submitted within 12 months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and five yearly thereafter i.e not annually. Suggest we provide rehab figures annually in the AER not just per the rehab rotation to ensure condition B6-6(4) is met.			Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).		
1266:MB7-1	Mine Closure	The proponent must ensure the implementation of the proposal achieves the following environmental outcomes: (1) mining activities are rehabilitated and close in a manner to make them physically safe to humans and animals, geotechnically stable, geochemically non-polluting/non-contaminating, and capable of sustaining an agreed post-mining land use, with consideration for cultural values; (2) the post-mining profile, for ex pit rehabilitated landforms, will be designed in consideration of visually integrating into the surrounding undisturbed landscape, continuing the surrounding contours of the low hills and slopes; (3) maintain habitat, groundwater levels and water quality in the Ethel Gorge aquifer to support the stygofauna habitat of the Ethyl Gorge TEC and the Newman Water Reserve Priority 1 Public Drinking Water Source Area; and (4) no disturbance to sensitive environmental or cultural heritage receptors from pits and waste rock with acid and/or metalliferous drainage and salinity potential.	Implement the endorsed MCP.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within the AER.	Overall	Life of proposal	C	See compliance to condition B6-1.
1266:MB7-2	Mine Closure	The proponent must review and update the Mine Closure Plan in accordance with the *Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration's Guideline for preparing mine closures plans* March 2025 (or any subsequent revisions of the guidelines) that demonstrates how achievement of the environmental outcomes in condition B7-1 will be monitored and substantiated and submit to the CEO.	Revise and submit the Mine Closure Plan according to the requirements of condition B7-2. Continue to implement the most recent version of the confirmed Mine Closure Plan per condition C2-1. Publish the confirmed Mine Closure Plan including any revised plan on the BHP website and provide the CEO with an electronic copy of the plan for online publication on the DWER website.	Copy of the correspondence to the CEO submitting the Mine Closure Plan. Written endorsement of the Mine Closure Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and every five years thereafter or otherwise agreed to by the CEO - until, per condition C1-1(5), the CEO, on advice of the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration; the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and the DBCA, has confirmed in writing that the Mine Closure Plan meets the requirements of condition B7-2.	C	See compliance to condition B6-1.

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						Within twenty (20) business days of the plan being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier)		
1266:MB8-1	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent must contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund calculated pursuant to condition B8-8(2), to achieve the objective of counterbalancing the significant residual impacts to the following environmental values: (1) 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation; (2) Riparian vegetation; (3) Critical habitat for northern quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*) and Pilbara olive python (*Liasis olivaceus barroni*) subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9; and (4) Supporting habitat for northern quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*) and ghost bat (*Macroderma gigas*) subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as directed by the Minister, calculated pursuant to condition B8-8(2), subject to any reduction approved by the CEO under condition B8-9.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	C	Ministerial Statement 1266 was approved on 4 February 2026, with the first bi-annual offset contribution to PEOF due following the end of FY2027.
1266:MB8-2	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent's contribution to the Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund must be paid biennially, with the amount to be contributed calculated based on the clearing undertaken in each year of the biennial reporting period in accordance with the rates in condition B8-3. The first biennial reporting period must commence from ground disturbing activities of the environmental value(s) identified in condition B8-3.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	C	BHP will submit the first bi-annual offset contribution to PEOF by the end of FY2027.
1266:MB8-3	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Calculated on the 2024-2025 financial year, the contribution rates are: (1) $1016 (excluding GST) per hectare of 'Good' to 'Excellent' condition native vegetation cleared as a result of the proposal within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; (2) $2031 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of riparian vegetation cleared as a result of the proposal within the Hamersley IBRA subregion; (3) $1016 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of supporting habitat for the following values cleared in the Hamersley IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal; (a) Ghost bat (*Macroderma gigas*) supporting habitat; and (b) Northern quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*) supporting habitat. (4) $2031 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of critical habitat for the following values cleared in the Hamersley IBRA subregion as a result of the proposal: (c) Pilbara olive python (*Liasis olivaceus barroni)* critical habitat; and (d) Northern quoll (*Dasyurus hallacatus*) critical habitat.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	C	See compliance to condition B8-1.
1266:MB8-4	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The rates in condition B8-3 change annually each subsequent financial year in accordance with the percentage change in CPI applicable to that financial year.	Contribute funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund as calculated pursuant to conditions B8-2, B8-3 and B8-4.	Contribution of funds to the Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund.	Overall	Biennially	C	See compliance to condition B8-1.
1266:MB8-5	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	To achieve the objective in condition B8-1, the proponent must review and revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure – Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure (BHP 2024) and submit to the CEO for approval. This procedure must: (1) spatially define the environmental values identified in condition B8-1; (2) spatially define the areas where offsets required by condition B8-1 are to be exempt; (3) include a methodology to calculate the amount of clearing undertaken during each year of the biennial reporting period for each of the environmental values identified in condition B8-3; (4) state that clearing calculations for the first biennial reporting period will commence from ground disturbing activities in accordance with condition B8-2 and end on the second 30 June period following commencement of ground disturbing activities; (5) state that clearing calculations for each subsequent biennial reporting period will commence on 1 July of the required reporting period, unless otherwise agreed by the CEO; and	Review and revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure – Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure (BHP 2024), to meet the requirements of condition B8-5 and submit the Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the CEO for approval.	Copy of correspondence to the CEO submitting the revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement.	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Impact Reconciliation Procedure will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(5).

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		(6) be prepared in accordance with the Instructions for how to prepare Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part IV Impact Reconciliation Reports (or any subsequent revisions).						
1266:MB8-6	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent must review, revise and submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure in condition B8-5	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the Impact Reconciliation Procedure approved in condition B8-5.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(5).
1266:MB8-7	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The Impact Reconciliation Report required pursuant to condition B8-6 must: (1) provide the location and spatial extent of the clearing undertaken as a result of the proposal during each year of the biennial reporting period; and (2) include evidence that clearing undertaken in any area was necessary for the commencement of proposal-related activities or operations in that cleared area within six (6) months of the clearing having occurred.	Submit an Impact Reconciliation Report in accordance with the requirements of condition B8-7.	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	C	See compliance to condition B8-6.
1266:MB8-8	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The proponent may apply in writing and seek the written approval of the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2 where: (1) a payment has been made to satisfy a condition of an approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 in relation to the proposal; and (2) the payment is made for the purpose of counterbalancing impacts of the proposal on matters of national environmental significance.	Written request to the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2.	Approval from the CEO to reduce all or part of the contribution payable under condition B8-2.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Noted.
1266:MB8-9	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	The CEO may grant approval to discount the amount payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4) if the CEO is satisfied that the payment will offset the significant residual impacts of the proposal.	Written request to the CEO to discount the contribution payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4) per the requirement of condition B8-9.	Approval from the CEO to discount the amount payable under condition B8-1(3) and condition B8-1(4).	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Noted.
1266:MB8-10	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Condition C2 applies to the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition B8-5 as if it were an environmental management plan.	Implement the most recent version of the confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure	An Impact Reconciliation Report will be submitted biennially in accordance with the requirements of conditions B8-6 and B8-7.	Overall	Biennially	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Impact Reconciliation Procedure will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(5).
1266:MB8-11	Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund	Failure to implement a confirmed Impact Reconciliation Procedure or submit an Impact Reconciliation Report as required by condition B8-6 represents a non-compliance with these conditions	Report any potential non-compliance under condition B8-11 to the CEO within 7 days per condition D1-1(1). Submit a report to the CEO on failure to implement the IRP or IRR detailing the measures required in condition D1-1(1) – D1-1(7).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Within seven (7) days of becoming aware of the non-compliance. Within twenty one (21) days of becoming aware of the potential non-compliance	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment was approved by the EPA on 4 February 2026. The Impact Reconciliation Procedure will be submitted within 12 months of the approved date, as per Condition C1-1(5).
1266:MC1-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Related to Commencement of Implementation of the Proposal	The proponent must: (1) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, revise and submit the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan required by conditions B3-2 and B3-3 to meet the requirements of those conditions; (2) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, submit the Rehabilitation Strategy required by condition B6-5, that meets the requirements of that condition; (3) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, and five-yearly thereafter, submit the Rehabilitation Performance Report required by condition B6-6, that meets the requirements of that condition; (4) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement and every give years thereafter, or otherwise agreed to by the CEO, revise and submit the Mine Closure Plan(s) required by condition B7-2 that meets the requirements of that condition;	Revise and submit to the CEO for approval the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and the Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan. Submit to the CEO for approval each Environment Managemental Plan referred to in conditions C1-1(2), C1-1(3), C1-1(4), C1-1(6)-Rehabilitation Strategy, Rehabilitation Performance Report, Mine Closure Plan,	Written endorsement of each plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO. Within twelve (12) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement or otherwise agreed to by the CEO and at five-yearly intervals thereafter for the	NR	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.

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		(5) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, revise and submit the Impact Reconciliation Procedure (Offsets) required by condition B8-6 that meets the requirements of that condition; and (6) within twelve (12) months of the date of this Statement, submit the Taxonomy and Distribution Report required by condition B2-1 that meets the requirements of that condition, confirmed by the CEO.	*Indolpium* sp. Indet. Taxonomy and Distribution Report. Revise and submit to the CEO for approval the Impact Reconciliation Procedure referred to condition C1-1(5).			Rehabilitation Performance Report and Mine Closure Plan.		
1266:MC2-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Upon being required to implement an environmental management plan under Part B, or after receiving notice in writing from the CEO under condition C1-1(1) in consultation with DBCA and receiving notice in writing from the CEO under conditions C1-1(2), C1-1(3), C1-1(4), C1-1(5), and C1-1(6) that the environmental management plan(s) required in Part B satisfies the relevant requirements, the proponent must: (1) implement the most recent version of the confirmed environmental management plan; and (2) continue to implement the confirmed environmental management plan referred to in condition C2-1(1), other than for any period which the CEO confirms by notice in writing that is has been demonstrated that the relevant requirements for the environmental management plan have been met, or are able to be met under another statutory decision-making process, in which case the implementation of the environmental management plan is no longer required for that period.	Implement the most recent versions of the management plans referred to in condition C2-1 (Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan, Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan, Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Strategy, Orebody 29/30/35 Rehabilitation Performance Report, Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan, Orebody 29/30/35 Impact Reconciliation Procedure) other than for any period advised by the CEO in writing where the Environmental Management Plan requirements have been met and implementation is no longer required for that period.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC2-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	The proponent: (1) may review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan provided it meets the relevant requirements of that environmental management plan, including any consultation that may be required when preparing the environmental management plan; (2) must review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan and ensure it meets the relevant requirements of that environmental management plan, including any consultation that may be required when preparing the environmental management plan, as and when directed by the CEO; and (3) must revise and submit to the CEO the confirmed Environmental Management Plan if there is a material risk that the outcomes or objectives it is required to achieve will not be complied with, including but not limited to as a result of a change to the proposal.	Review and revise a confirmed environmental management plan per condition C2-2(1) and C2-2(2). Revise and submit to the CEO a confirmed environmental management plan where there is a material risk the outcomes or objectives of the plan will not be complied with.	Written endorsement of the relevant Environmental Management Plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC2-3	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Despite condition C2-1, but subject to conditions C2-4 and C2-5, the proponent may implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan if the revisions will not result in new or increased adverse impacts to the environment or result in a risk to the achievement of the limits, outcomes or objectives which the environmental management plan is required to achieve.	Implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan per condition C2-3 and subject to conditions C2-4 and C2-5.	Written endorsement of the environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC2-4	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	If the proponent is to implement minor revisions to an environmental management plan under condition C2-3, the proponent must provide the CEO with the following at least twenty (20) business days before it implements the revisions: (1) the revised environmental management plan clearly showing the minor revisions; (2) an explanation of and justification for the minor revisions; and (3) an explanation of why the minor revisions will not result in new or increased adverse impact to the environment or result in a risk to the achievement of the	Make minor revisions to an environmental management plan subject to the requirements of condition C2-4 and submit it to the CEO for approval prior to implementation.	Written endorsement of the environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	At least twenty (20) business days before implementing the revised environmental management plan.	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.

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		limits, outcomes or objectives which the environmental management plan is required to achieve.						
1266:MC2-5	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	The proponent must cease to implement any revisions which the CEO notifies the proponent (at any time) in writing may not be implemented.	Cease implementing any revisions of an environmental management plan per CEO written advice.	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising implementation of a revised environmental management plan has ceased per CEO written notification.	Overall	Receipt of written notification from the CEO to cease implementing a revision of an environmental management plan.	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC2-6	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions to Approval, Implementation, Review and Publication	Confirmed environmental management plans, and any revised environmental management plans under condition C2-4(1), must be published on the proponent's website and provided to the CEO in electronic form suitable for online publication by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation within twenty (20) business days of being implemented, or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	Publish confirmed and revised environmental management plans on the BHP website and provide a copy of each plan to the CEO in electronic form suitable for publication on the DWER website.	Copy of the link to the BHP website where the environmental management plans are published. Copy of correspondence to the CEO providing the environmental management plan for DWER publication.	Overall	Within twenty (20) days of being implemented or being required to be implemented (whichever is earlier).	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC3-1	Conditions Related to Monitoring	The proponent must undertake monitoring capable of: (1) substantiating whether the proposal limitations and extents in Part A are exceeded; and (2) detecting and substantiating whether the environmental outcomes identified in Part B are achieved (excluding any environmental outcomes in Part B where an environmental management plan is expressly required to monitor achievement of that outcome).	Undertake monitoring to meet the requirements of condition C3-1.	Submit the compliance monitoring report required in condition C3-2 according to the requirements of the condition.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC3-2	Conditions Related to Monitoring	The proponent must submit as part of the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2, a compliance monitoring report that: (1) outlines the monitoring that was undertaken during the implementation of the proposal; (2) identifies why the monitoring was capable of substantiating whether the proposal limitation and extents in Part A are exceeded; (3) for any environmental outcomes to which condition C3-1(2) applies, identifies why the monitoring was scientifically robust and capable of detecting whether the environmental outcomes in Part B are met; (4) outlines the results of the monitoring; (5) reports whether the proposal limitations and extents in Part A were exceeded and (for any environmental outcomes to which condition C3-1(2) applies) whether the environmental outcomes in Part B were achieved, based on analysis of the results of the monitoring; and (6) reports any actions taken by the proponent to remediate any potential non-compliance.	Prepare and submit to the CEO a compliance monitoring report with the annual Compliance Assessment Report that meets the requirements of condition C3-2.	Written endorsement of the Compliance Monitoring Report by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the Compliance Assessment Report above.
1266:MC4-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Monitoring and Adaptive Management for Outcomes Based Conditions	The environmental management plans required under conditions B3-2 and condition B3-3 must contain provisions which enable the substantiation of whether the relevant outcomes of those conditions are met and must include: (1) threshold criteria that provide a limit beyond which the environmental outcomes are not achieved; (2) trigger criteria that will provide and early warning that the environmental outcomes are not likely to be met; (3) monitoring parameters, sites, control/reference sites, methodology, timing and frequencies which will be used to measure threshold criteria and trigger criteria. Include methodology for determining alternate monitoring sites as a contingency if proposed sites are not suitable in the future; (4) baseline data; (5) data collection and analysis methodologies; (6) adaptive management methodology;	Include provisions in the environmental management plans referred to in condition C4-1 (Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan) which substantiate whether the management plan outcomes are met, including provisions which address the requirements listed in condition C4-1.	Written endorsement of each environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	When management plans are prepared or revised through the life of the proposal.	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.

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		(7) contingency measures which will be implemented if threshold criteria or trigger criteria are not met; and (8) reporting requirements.						
1266:MC4-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Monitoring and Adaptive Management for Outcomes Based Conditions	Without limiting condition C3-1, failure to achieve an environmental outcome, or exceedance of a threshold criteria, regardless of whether threshold contingency measures have been or are being implemented, represents a non-compliance with these conditions.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 (Non-compliance Reporting) and undertake the measures required in conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to CEO advising of potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Report the non-compliance in writing within 7 days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within 21 days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC5-1	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Management Actions and Targets for Objective Based Conditions	The environmental management plan required under condition B3-2 and condition B3-3 must contain provisions which enable the achievement of the relevant objectives of those conditions and substantiation of whether the objectives are reasonably likely to be met, and must include: (1) management actions; (2) management targets; (3) contingency measures if management targets are not met; and (4) reporting requirements	Include management actions, management targets, contingency measures and reporting requirements in the Eastern Pilbara Water Resource Management Plan and Orebody 29/30/35 Water (PFAS) Management Plan to enable achievement and substantiation of the objectives of each Plan.	Written endorsement of each environmental management plan by CEO/CEO's delegate.	Overall	Life of the proposal	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MC5-2	Environmental Management Plans: Conditions Relating to Management Actions and Targets for Objective Based Conditions	Without limiting condition C2-1, the failure to achieve an environmental objective or implement a management action, regardless of whether contingency measures have been or are being implemented, represents a non-compliance with these conditions.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 (Non-compliance Reporting) and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Report the non-compliance in writing within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within twenty-one (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	C	BHP will submit all required Environmental Management Plans in FY2027 as required by Condition C1-1.
1266:MD1-1	Non-compliance Reporting	If the proponent becomes aware of a potential non-compliance, the proponent must: (1) report this to the CEO within seven (7) days; (2) implement contingency measures; (3) investigate the cause; (4) investigate environmental impacts; (5) advise rectification measures to be implemented; (6) advise any other measures to be implemented to ensure no further impact; (7) advise timeframe in which contingency, rectification and other measures have and/or will be implemented; and (8) provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) day of being aware of the potential non-compliance, detailing the measures required in conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(7) above.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Report the non-compliance to the CEO within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report to the CEO within twenty-one (21) days of the non-compliance being reported as required by condition D1-1(8).	C	There have been no non-compliances in this reporting period.
1266:MD1-2	Non-compliance Reporting	Failure to comply with the requirements of a condition, or with the content of an environmental management plan required under a condition, constitutes a non-compliance with these conditions, regardless of whether the contingency measures, rectification or other measures in condition D1-1 above have been or are being implemented.	Provide written notification of the potential non-compliance to the CEO per the requirements of condition D1-1 and undertake the measures required by conditions D1-1(1) to D1-1(8).	Copy of correspondence to the CEO advising potential non-compliance. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Report the non-compliance within seven (7) days of the non-compliance being identified. Provide a report within (21) days of the non-compliance	C	There have been no non-compliances in this reporting period.

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1266:MD2-1	Compliance Reporting	The proponent must provide an annual Compliance Assessment Report to the CEO for the purpose of determining whether implementation conditions are being complied with.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Report.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	The OB29/30/35 Significant Amendment Compliance Assessment Plan was submitted to DWER on 7 April 2026. BHP will continue to report compliance annually within the AER.
1266:MD2-2	Compliance Reporting	Unless a different date or frequency is approved by the CEO, the first annual Compliance Assessment Report must be submitted within fifteen (15) months of the date of this Statement, and subsequent reports must be submitted annually from that date.	Submit a Compliance Assessment Report.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See compliance to condition D2-1.
1266:MD2-3	Compliance Reporting	Each annual Compliance Assessment Report must be endorsed by the proponent's Chief Executive Officer, or a person approved by the proponent's Chief Executive Officer to be delegated to sign on the Chief Executive Officer's behalf.	BHP CEO or CEO's delegate to endorse each annual Compliance Assessment Report.	Endorsed Compliance Assessment Report submitted in the AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See compliance to condition D2-1.
1266:MD2-4	Compliance Reporting	Each annual Compliance Assessment Report must: (1) state whether each condition of this Statement has been complied with, including: (a) exceedance of any proposal limits and extents; (b) achievement of environmental outcomes; (c) achievement of environmental objectives; (d) requirements to implement the content of environmental management plans (e) monitoring requirements; (f) implement contingency measures; (g) requirements to implement adaptive management; and (h) reporting requirements; (2) include in the results of any monitoring (inclusive of any raw data) that has been required under Part C in order to demonstrate that the limits in Part A, and any outcomes or any objectives are being met; (3) provide evidence to substantiate statements of compliance, or details of where there has been a non-compliance; (4) include the corrective, remedial and preventative actions taken in response to any potential non-compliance; (5) be provided in a form suitable for publication on the proponent's website and online by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation; and (6) be prepared and published consistent with the latest version of the Compliance Assessment Plan required by condition D2-5 which the CEO has confirmed by notice in writing satisfies the relevant requirements of Part C and Part D.	Prepare the Compliance Assessment Report according to the requirements in condition D2-4.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within fifteen (15) months of the date of the Ministerial Statement and annually thereafter.	C	See compliance to condition D2-1. The assessment of compliance in accordance with the endorsed Compliance Assessment Plan is included in this Compliance Assessment Report.
1266:MD2-5	Compliance Reporting	The proponent must prepare a Compliance Assessment Plan which is submitted to the CEO at least six (6) months prior to the first Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2-2, or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan) to the CEO according to the requirements in condition D2-6.	Copy of the submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Six (6) months prior to submission of the first Compliance Assessment Report or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	C	See compliance to condition D2-1.
1266:MD2-6	Compliance Reporting	The Compliance Assessment Plan must include: (1) what, when and how information will be collected and recorded to assess compliance; (2) the methods which will be used to assess compliance; (3) the methods which will be used to validate the adequacy of the compliance assessment to determine whether the implementation conditions are being complied with; (4) the retention of compliance assessments;	Prepare and submit a Compliance Assessment Plan (this plan) to the CEO according to the requirements in condition D2-6.	Copy of the submitted Compliance Assessment Plan.	Overall	Six (6) months prior to submission of the first Compliance Assessment Report or prior to implementation of the proposal, whichever is sooner.	C	See compliance to condition D2-1.

AUDIT TABLE

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Audit Code	Subject	Requirement	How	Evidence	Phase	Timeframe	Status	Further Information
		(5) the table of contents of Compliance Assessment Reports, including audit tables; and (6) how and when Compliance Assessment Reports will be made publicly available, including usually being published on the proponent's website within sixty (60) days of being provided to the CEO.						
1266:MD3-1	Contact Details	The proponent must notify the CEO of any changes to its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within twenty-eight (28) days of such change. Where the proponent is a corporation or an association or persons, whether incorporated or not, the postal address is that of the principal place of business or of the principal office in the State.	Notify the CEO of any changes to proponent details in writing.	Copy of written notification to the CEO of any change in proponent details.	Overall	Within twenty-eight (28) days of any change of name, physical address or postal address.	C	No change of name or address has occurred in the reporting period.
1266:MD4-1	Time Limit Proposal Implementation	The proposal must be substantially commenced within five (5) years from the date of this Statement	Implement the proposal according to the criteria provided in condition A1-1.	Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER	Overall	Within five (5) years of the Ministerial Statement	C	The proposal was implemented from February 2026 in accordance with Ministerial Statement 1266.
1266:MD4-2	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	The proponent must provide to the CEO documentary evidence demonstrating that they have complied with condition D4-1 no later than thirty (30) days after substantial commencement.	Provide the CEO with documentary evidence of substantial commencement of the proposal within thirty (30) days of commencement.	Copy of documentary evidence submitted to the CEO.	Overall	Within thirty (30) days of substantial commencement of the proposal.	C	The proposal was implemented from February 2026 in accordance with Ministerial Statement 1266.
1266:MD4-3	Time Limit for Proposal Implementation	If the proposal has not been substantially commenced within the period specified in condition D4-1, implementation of the proposal must not be commenced or continued after the expiration of that period.	Proposal implementation must not be commenced or continued if it has not been substantially commenced within 5 years of the Ministerial Statement.	Written confirmation that the proposal will not be implemented following expiry of the proposal time limit specified in condition D4-1.		After five (5) years from the date of the Ministerial Statement.	C	The proposal was implemented from February 2026 in accordance with Ministerial Statement 1266.
1266:MD5-1	Public Availability of Data	Subject to condition D5-2, within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO upon the issue of this Statement and for the remainder of the proposal, the proponent must make publicly available, in a manner approved by the CEO, all validated environmental data collected before and after the date of this Statement relevant to the proposal (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, monitoring and other empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environmental management plans and reports relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.	Subject to condition D5-2, all validated environmental data collected before or after the date of the Ministerial Statement (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, monitoring and other empirical data and derived information products (e.g. maps)), environmental management plans and reports relevant to the assessment of the proposal and implementation of the Ministerial Statement will be publicly available on request in a manner approved by the CEO.	Evidence of data provision following request.	Overall	Within a reasonable time period approved by the CEO	NR	Environmental monitoring, performance and compliance is discussed in the Compliance Assessment Report above. All relevant environmental monitoring data and information on monitoring program findings is included in the relevant section of each Environmental Management Plan or environmental aspect in the CAR.
1266:MD5-2	Public Availability of Data	If: (1) any data referred to in condition D5-1 contains trade secrets; or (2) any data referred to in condition D5-1 contains particulars of confidential information (other than trade secrets) that has commercial value to a person that would be, or could reasonably expected to be, destroyed or diminished if the confidential information were published, the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make this data publicly available and the CEO may agree to such a request if the CEO is satisfied that the data meets the above criteria.	Written request to the CEO for an exemption for provision of environmental data to the public, supported by an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available, per condition D5-3.	Approval from the CEO for the exemption.	Overall	Life of the proposal	NR	See compliance to condition D5-1.
1266:MD5-3	Public Availability of Data	In making such a request the proponent must provide the CEO with an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publicly available.					NR	See compliance to condition D5-1.
1266:MD6-1	Independent Audit	The proponent must arrange for an independent audit of compliance with the conditions of this Statement, including achievement of the environmental outcomes	Undertake an independent audit of compliance with Ministerial Statement	Copy of the audit report required by condition D6-3. submitted to the CEO	Overall	When directed by the CEO.	NR	BHP has received no such direction from the CEO of DWER during the FY2026 reporting period.

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		and/or the environmental objectives and/or environmental performance with the conditions of this Statement, as and when directed by the CEO	conditions per condition D6-1 as directed by the CEO and by a qualified auditor nominated or approved by the CEO.					
1266:MD6-2	Independent Audit	The independent audit must be carried out by a person with appropriate qualifications who is nominated or approved by the CEO to undertake the audit under condition D6-1.	Engage a suitably qualified person nominated or approved by the CEO to undertake the independent audit required by condition D6-1.	Approval of the auditor by the CEO.	Overall	When directed by the CEO.	NR	BHP has received no such direction from the CEO of DWER during the FY2026 reporting period.
1266:MD6-3	Independent Audit	The proponent must submit that independent audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report required by condition D2, or at any time as and when directed in writing by the CEO. The audit report is to be supported by credible evidence to substantiate its findings.	Submit an independent audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report per condition D6-3.	Copy of the audit report.	Overall	At any time as and when directed by the CEO in writing.	NR	BHP has received no such direction from the CEO of DWER during the FY2026 reporting period.
1266:MD6-4	Independent Audit	The independent audit report required by condition D6-1 is to be made publicly available in the same timeframe, manner and for as a Compliance Assessment Report, or as otherwise directed by the CEO	Include the audit report with the Compliance Assessment Report in the AER to meet the requirement of D6-4.	Copy of the audit report included in the AER. Compliance reported annually in the CAR contained within BHP's AER.	Overall	Annually in the AER or as directed by the CEO.	NR	BHP has received no such direction from the CEO of DWER during the FY2026 reporting period.

4 Native Vegetation Clearing Permits – DWER

4.1 Introduction

A requirement of approved Native Vegetation Clearing Permits (NVCP) is to report to DWER annually for the life of each permit. This report covers all DWER NVCP land disturbance activities for BHP during the FY2026 reporting period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026. All activities undertaken within approved NVCPs areas have been considered when addressing the permit conditions within the respective sections of this report.

4.1.1 Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process

Unauthorised land disturbance has the potential to impact environmental, cultural heritage and other protected values, and may result in non-compliance with statutory obligations and approvals. To mitigate this risk, BHP maintains an established, system-supported land disturbance approval process designed to identify and address environmental, heritage, tenure and State Agreement requirements before ground-disturbing activities are undertaken.

During the reporting period, BHP implemented a new technology platform and transitioned from the former PEAHR process to the Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process. The GLUP process incorporates the controls and approval requirements previously managed through PEAHR and provides a standardised workflow for the assessment and approval of land disturbance activities.

BHP uses the electronic GLUP workflow, integrated with its Geographic Information System (GIS), to assess and approve proposed clearing and land disturbance activities. The GIS contains spatial approval boundaries and environmental, tenure and heritage constraint layers, enabling proposed activities to be evaluated against relevant approval conditions and identified sensitivities. The GLUP process includes controls intended to ensure that clearing activities are undertaken only within approved disturbance boundaries and for approved purposes.

Prior to the commencement of any land disturbance activities, proposed clearing is assessed against the conditions of the relevant approval to verify that the activity is authorised and compliant. This assessment includes confirming that clearing will occur within approved permit boundaries, is consistent with the approved purpose(s), and will be undertaken within any applicable approval timeframes.

Following assessment and approval of a GLUP application, a permit is issued specifying the applicable conditions and requirements. During the execution of works, inspections may be undertaken, where considered necessary, to verify adherence to permit conditions and identified environmental, heritage and tenure requirements.

Following completion of authorised works, adherence to GLUP conditions may be reviewed as part of the permit close-out process. Where a close-out review is undertaken, relevant supporting information, such as photographs, inspection records, rehabilitation documentation and applicable certificates (for example, weed and seed certification), is retained and may be included in the close-out documentation to demonstrate compliance with permit requirements.

4.1.2 Land Data Verification Project

BHP is committed to the continuous improvement of its internal processes and systems and has established the Land Data Verification Project (LDVP) to verify land disturbance and rehabilitation data across WAIO environment approvals. The LDVP ensures that disturbance and rehabilitation activities are correctly attributed to the relevant approval instruments.

4.1.3 Standard vs Non-standard NVCP Conditions

A large number of conditions are repeated across all NVCPs. This includes conditions dealing with clearing, rehabilitation, weed management, record keeping, etc. These conditions and BHPs compliance against these is reported ‘in bulk’ in Section 4.2: NVCP – Standard Conditions.

Non-standard conditions related to NVCPs require specific responses. Non-standard conditions include those that require specific management plans to be developed or reference particular flora and fauna species to be considered. Compliance with non-standard conditions is outlined in Section 4.3: NVCP – Non-standard Conditions.

4.2 NVCP – Standard Conditions

4.2.1 Clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared under the permits, BHP applies the following principles, considered in the following mitigation hierarchy:

- avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared;
- reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

These principles are enabled by:

- utilising existing tracks and infrastructure corridors;
- incorporating sumps and tracks into drill pads;

- modifying drilling programmes to avoid priority flora and fauna disturbance.

There was no disturbance undertaken during the FY2026 reporting period under all DWER managed NVCPs. A summary of clearing and rehabilitation activities conducted under each DWER managed NVCP has been provided below (Table 4-1).

4.2.2 Retain Vegetative Material and Topsoil, Revegetation and Rehabilitation

Topsoil and vegetative material is retained in situ within stockpiles for subsequent use in rehabilitation activities. Rehabilitation typically includes:

- Earthworks to reshape disturbed areas into safe, stable and non-polluting landforms that, where practicable, integrate with the surrounding landscape.
- Deep ripping of heavily compacted areas to alleviate soil compaction and promote revegetation, where required.
- Respreading available topsoil and vegetative material across disturbed areas.
- Light scarification of the land surface using contour or herringbone patterns to improve surface stability and enhance seed retention and water infiltration.
- Seed broadcasting where deemed necessary using local provenance seed. Species selection informed by baseline survey data, target vegetation communities and seed availability.

Rehabilitation activities are completed within the timeframes specified under the relevant permit once the cleared land is no longer required for the purpose for which it was authorised. All rehabilitation on ground works are verified against BHPs internal rehabilitation standards to confirm they have been implemented appropriately.

Within the timeframe prescribed by the permit, typically 24 or 48 months following the completion of rehabilitation works ecological monitoring is scheduled. BHP acquires high-resolution 10 cm four-band aerial imagery over the area of interest and engages suitably qualified spatial ecology specialists to assess rehabilitation performance using remote sensing techniques. These assessments evaluate vegetation structure, lifeform composition and vegetation cover to determine whether rehabilitated areas are progressing towards vegetation conditions comparable to the surrounding native vegetation. Where monitoring identifies areas that are not meeting performance expectations, remedial actions may be implemented, including supplementary seeding where appropriate. Only local provenance seed is used, with species selection informed by baseline survey data, target vegetation communities, seed availability and demonstrated propagation success.

BHP incorporates rehabilitation requirements into its operational planning processes to ensure disturbed areas are rehabilitated as soon as they are no longer required for the purpose for which clearing was authorised. Disturbance footprints and future operational requirements are regularly reviewed to identify areas suitable for progressive rehabilitation. Where areas are no longer required for NVCP-authorised activities, rehabilitation is prioritised and scheduled to meet permit requirements, with implementation typically targeted within 12 months. This process supports the progressive reduction of disturbance footprints and facilitates compliance with rehabilitation obligations under the relevant permits.

All disturbance and rehabilitation activities are recorded and maintained within BHPs spatial information systems, which provide a central repository for managing, tracking and reporting land disturbance, rehabilitation status and the associated approval. Spatial records are routinely reviewed and updated to ensure rehabilitation progress, land use requirements and compliance information remain accurate, current and auditable. This information supports rehabilitation planning, annual reporting and the identification of areas suitable for progressive rehabilitation. As part of BHPs commitment to continuous improvement, the Land Data Verification Project (LDVP) has been established to verify the attribution of clearing and rehabilitation data to the correct approval instrument, providing greater assurance in the accuracy and integrity of compliance reporting.

Compliance with rehabilitation-related permit conditions is reported upon permit relinquishment. Where required, rehabilitation monitoring results and supporting records are maintained to demonstrate compliance with permit obligations and inform final permit reporting.

There was no rehabilitation of DWER NVCP areas during the FY2026 reporting period (Table 4-1).

Table 4-1 Summary of clearing and rehabilitation activities for NVCPs administered by DWER

NVCP	NCVP Issue Date	NVCP Expiry Date	Total area approved for clearing (ha)	Total area cleared in FY2026 (ha)	Total area cleared as of 30 June 2026 (ha)*	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) in FY2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
3445/5	14/02/2010	30/11/2035	260.33	0.00	52.30	0.00	3.84
3596/3	19/09/2010	30/11/2035	0.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5049/6	06/07/2012	31/10/2027	5.00	0.00	1.09	0.00	0.00
8047/3	28/11/2018	30/11/2028	1.37	0.00	0.33	0.00	0.00
11343/1	09/03/2026	30/11/2036	15.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

4.2.3 Weed Management

When undertaking clearing and other activities authorised under the NVCPs , BHP minimises the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds by:

- cleaning all earth moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- ensuring no weed affected soil, mulch, fill or other potential weed affected material is brought into an exploration area;
- restricting the movement of machinery and other clearing equipment to the area being cleared.

Details of machinery inspections and cleaning are documented via a BHP Vehicle/Equipment Weed Hygiene Certificate. These are completed prior to any ground engaging equipment entering a BHP operational or exploration area.

The spread of weeds as a result of clearing activities is assessed when an environmental specialist is engaged to determine the species composition, structure and density of the areas revegetated and rehabilitated in line with NVCP conditions.

4.2.4 Flora Management

BHP ensures that prior to undertaking any ground disturbance activities the proposed disturbance areas are reviewed by an environmental specialist to ensure that the area has been adequately surveyed to identify the presence of priority flora and of rare flora listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice 2017*.

All identified priority and rare taxa are recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS). Where required by individual permit conditions, BHP activities are modified to ensure that clearing does not occur within the distance specified for any priority and rare taxa. As required to support environmental assessments under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, records of rare or priority flora are submitted to DMPE, EPA and DWER through the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments (IBSA) submission portal.

4.2.5 Fauna Management

BHP ensures that prior to undertaking any ground disturbance activities the proposed disturbance areas are reviewed by an environmental specialist to ensure that the area has been adequately surveyed to identify the presence of conservation significant fauna.

All BHP activities are modified to ensure that clearing does not occur within the distance specified within the Vegetation Clearing Permits and/or their applications for any significant fauna species, or significant fauna habitat areas. All disturbance has been completed in accordance with internal procedures and guidelines and in accordance with permit conditions.

4.2.6 Watercourse Management

During the GLUP process, the activities are reviewed to ensure no riparian vegetation within or adjacent to watercourses is cleared unless it is undertaken in accordance with the permit conditions. Where practicable, clearing riparian vegetation is avoided and where a watercourse is to be impacted by clearing, the existing surface flow is maintained. Where required, Beds and Banks Permits are obtained through DWER.

BHP maintains a spatial database which includes the topographic information of water courses in the Pilbara including but not limited to:

- Ophthalmia Dam;
- Fortescue River;
- Homestead Creek;
- Shovelanna Creek;
- Warrawandu Creek.

As identified through assessment with BHP environmental standards and permit conditions, BHP implements surface water management and erosion control measures to minimise potential erosion and sedimentation within the areas approved to clear and adjacent areas.

4.2.7 Record Keeping

BHP maintains the following records for activities undertaken pursuant to NVCPs.

Where required by the NVCP in relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under the permit:

- the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Nothings or decimal degrees;
- the date that the area was cleared;
- the size of the area cleared (in ha);
- purpose for which clearing was undertaken;
- the species composition, structure and density of the cleared area;
- the date the excavation and operation of borrow pits ceased.

Where required by the NVCP in relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation conditions the following records are captured and retained for each permit:

- the location of any areas revegetated and rehabilitated, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Nothings;
- a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken;
- the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in ha);
- the species composition, structure and density of revegetation and rehabilitation.

In accordance with each permits final reporting condition a report will be prepared prior to the expiry of the permit that addresses all information that has not previously been provided. This will include:

- The size, location and purpose of / reason for any areas which have not been rehabilitated;
- Status of rehabilitation works including associated monitoring reports;
- Measures taken to prevent weeds and protect flora, fauna AND watercourses values (if required).

In the event that all information has been provided as part of the Annual Environmental Report (AER) BHP will submit a letter referencing the AER in which the information was provided.

4.2.8 Reporting

As required by the NVCP

- BHP will submit a report to the CEO by 1 October each year for the life of the NVCP, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of the NVCP, and providing the records as required under the permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year. This will include the provision of spatial data for each of the polygons associated with the permit including clearing dates and rehabilitation dates.
- Where no clearing was undertaken between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year, a written report confirming that no clearing under this permit has been carried out, must be provided to the CEO by 1 October of each year (see Table 4-1).
- At the expiry date of the permit BHP will provide to the CEO a written report of records required by the permit.

4.3 NVCP – Non-standard Conditions

The following table lists all NVCPs containing non-standard conditions and provides BHPs response regarding compliance with those conditions. Compliance reporting has been undertaken only for NVCPs where clearing or rehabilitation activities were conducted during the reporting period, as no assessment was required for sites where no such activities occurred.

Note that there is only one DWER clearing permit that has non-standard conditions (NVCP11343, approved on 02/04/26).

Table 4-2 Non-standard conditions

Approval Number	Name	Obligation Text	FY2026 update
3445/5 from 26/11/2025 onwards	Newman to Jimblebar Transmission Line	11. Fauna management – habitat retention The permit holder shall ensure no clearing occurs within the areas cross-hatched red in Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1 of this permit except to undertake rehabilitation and revegetation activities in accordance with Condition 7.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the areas cross-hatched red in Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
3445/5 from 26/11/2025 onwards	Newman to Jimblebar Transmission Line	12. Fauna management – western pebble mound mouse (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the yellow hatched areas of Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a fauna spotter to inspect the area to be cleared to undertake a clearance check for any active western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds. (b) Where active pebble mound mouse mound(s) are identified under condition 12(a), no clearing is to occur within 10-metres of the identified active pebble mound mouse mound, unless otherwise approved by the CEO. (c) Where active western pebble-mound mouse mounds are identified under condition 12(a) of this permit, the permit holder must include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within three months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any western pebble-mound mouse mounds identified, using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the name of the fauna spotter that undertook clearance surveys under condition 12(a) of this permit; and (iii) the methodology used to survey the permit area.	No clearing activities were undertaken in the yellow hatched area during the reporting period as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
3445/5 from 26/11/2025 onwards	Newman to Jimblebar Transmission Line	13. Flora Management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the area cross hatched green on Figure 4 of Schedule 1 for the presence of threatened flora and priority flora: (b) Where threatened flora and/or priority flora are identified in relation to condition 13(a) of this permit, the permit holder must ensure: (i) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified threatened flora unless first approved by the CEO; (ii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and (iii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora unless first approved by the CEO. (c) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO. (d) If threatened flora or priority flora are identified within the area cross hatched green on Figure 4 of Schedule 1, the targeted flora survey report must include the following; (i) the location of each threatened flora or priority flora, either as the location of individual plants, or where this is not practical, the areal extent of the population and an estimate of the number of plants, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA20), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the species name of each threatened flora or priority flora identified; and	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the areas cross-hatched red in Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.

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		(iii) the methodology, used to survey the area cross hatched green on Figure 4 of Schedule 1.	
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	8. Fauna management – backfilling The permit holder must: (a) fence all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with fine mesh to prevent fauna access; or (b) cover all test pits/bores on the day of drilling/excavating with a cover which prevents entry to the pits/bores by fauna species and backfill upon completion; (c) cover all boresholes at the end of each day and backfill upon completion; (d) cover all groundwater bores at the end of each day and seal them upon completion of works.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	9. Fauna management – Greater bilby pre-clearance survey (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, for the areas cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) undertake surveys using transects spaced at 100 metres on average to identify evidence of use by the greater bilby (Macrotis lagotis); and (ii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under condition 9(a)(i), undertake surveys using transects spaced at 20 metres on average, to identify evidence of burrows that may be suitable for greater bilby use. (b) Where potential greater bilby burrow/s are identified under condition 9(a), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (c) Where an occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(b), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) monitor the burrow with remote cameras for greater bilby use for a minimum of three (3) consecutive nights; (ii) where no evidence of greater bilby activity is identified under condition 9(c)(i), the burrow shall be deemed as un-occupied and the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. carefully excavate the burrow by hand, and remove and relocate any native vertebrate fauna found within the burrow; and B. collapse and fill the burrow immediately after the fauna specialist has confirmed that no native vertebrate fauna are present within the burrow. (iii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under condition 9(c)(i), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. continue to monitor the burrow for greater bilby activity; B. implement displacement techniques such as deliberate disturbance of the burrow entrance, while ensuring the disturbance does not prevent greater bilby from exiting the burrow; and C. once greater bilby displacement from the burrow is confirmed, stop monitoring, and undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (d) If the greater bilby has not moved on from an occupied burrow under condition 9(c)(iii), the permit holder must, no earlier than seven (7) days prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the identified greater bilby to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat, in consultation with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions. (e) Immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under condition X(d), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (f) Within 24 hours prior to undertaking clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect the flagged burrow/s identified under condition 9(b)(i) for evidence of re-excavation by greater bilby. (g) Where re-excavated greater bilby burrow/s are identified under condition 9(f), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to:	No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.

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		(i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (h) Where an occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(g)(ii), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) remove and relocate any identified greater bilby from the burrow to an area of suitable habitat, in consultation with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions; and (ii) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under condition 9(h)(i), undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (i) Where an un-occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(g)(ii), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (j) Where any greater bilby burrows are identified under condition 9(a) or 9(f), and any greater bilby is relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h), the permit holder must include the following in a report to be submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any burrow identified including a description of whether the burrow was occupied, using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) a description of the remote camera monitoring actions undertaken under condition 9(c); (iii) the date and time that burrows have been excavated and collapsed under conditions 9(c), 9(e), 9(h) and 9(i); (iv) the date and time greater bilby are recorded as independently moving on from an occupied burrow under condition 9(c); (v) the gender of each greater bilby captured and relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (vi) the location of any greater bilby captured under condition 9(d) or 9(h), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (vii) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are captured under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (viii) the location of any greater bilby relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ix) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (x) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated greater bilby under condition 9(d) or 9(h); and (xi) a copy of the relevant authorisations for the relocation of greater bilby under condition 9(d) or 9(h).	
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	10. Fauna management – pre-clearance survey (a) Within seven (7) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys within the area cross-hatched yellow on Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the following fauna species: (i) Northern Quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) (ii) Brush-tailed Mulgara (Dasycercus blythi) (iii) Western Pebble-mound mouse (Pseudomys chapmani) (iv) Northern Short tailed Mouse (Leggadina lakedownensis). including the identification and inspection of burrows and mounds, and determination of whether burrows and mounds are being utilised. (b) Where evidence of recent burrow or mound use is identified under condition 10(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall; (i) engage a fauna specialist to flag the location of the burrow/s and/or mound/s showing signs of recent use; (ii) not clear within ten (10) metres of the flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s;	No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.

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		(iii)engage a fauna specialist to monitor with cameras, the flagged burrow/s and or mound/s for a maximum of five days, or until such time that the fauna species identified under condition 10(a) have been observed to independently move on from the burrow/s and/or mound/s; and (iv)prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect any flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s for the presence of the fauna species identified under condition 10(a). (c) If species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are utilising any flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s under condition 10(b) and cannot be avoided in accordance with condition 5 of this permit, the permit holder shall: (i) engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the individual(s) to an area of suitable habitat; and (ii) any removal and relocation of Northern Quoll under condition 10(c) (i) of this Permit must be conducted in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (d) Where active burrow/s and/or mound/s for species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are identified and/or species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are relocated in accordance with condition 10(c), the permit holder shall include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit: (i) the location of any active burrow/s and/or mound/s identified using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the gender of each individual captured under condition 10(c) of this permit; (iii) the dates, times, vegetation types and weather conditions at each location where species listed under condition 10(a) of this permit are captured from and relocated to under condition 10(c)(ii) of this Permit; (iv) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated fauna under condition 10(c) of this permit; and (v) a copy of the fauna licenses authorising the relocation of fauna under condition 10(c)(i) of this Permit.	

4.4 Compliance

All clearing activities are carried out in line with BHPs Environmental Management System. BHPs GLUP process ensures all NVCP conditions are considered during an assessment and internal approval of all clearing activities. Relevant conditions are set within the approved GLUP prior to the commencement of any vegetation disturbance activities. The GLUP owner is accountable to ensure that the GLUP conditions are adhered to during all mining, exploration or projects land disturbance activities. Verification activities are performed to verify compliance.

There were no non-compliance or potential non-compliance identified during the reporting period.

5 Native Vegetation Clearing Permits – DMPE

5.1 Introduction

A requirement of approved Native Vegetation Clearing Permits (NVCP) is to report to DMPE annually for the life of each permit. This report covers all DMPE NVCP land disturbance activities for BHP during the FY2026 reporting period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026. All activities undertaken within approved NVCPs areas have been considered when addressing the permit conditions within the respective sections of this report.

5.1.1 Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process

Unauthorised land disturbance has the potential to impact environmental and cultural heritage values and may result in non-compliance with statutory obligations and approvals. To mitigate this risk, BHP maintains an established, system-supported land disturbance approval process designed to identify and address environmental, heritage, tenure and State Agreement requirements before ground-disturbing activities are undertaken.

During the reporting period, BHP implemented a new technology platform and transitioned from the former Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process to the Global Land Use Permit (GLUP) process. The GLUP process incorporates the controls and approval requirements previously managed through PEAHR and provides a standardised workflow for the assessment and approval of land disturbance activities.

BHP uses the electronic GLUP workflow, integrated with its Geographic Information System (GIS), to assess and approve proposed clearing and land disturbance activities. The GIS contains spatial approval boundaries and environmental, tenure and heritage constraint layers, enabling proposed activities to be evaluated against relevant approval conditions and identified sensitivities. The GLUP process includes controls intended to ensure that clearing activities are undertaken only within approved disturbance boundaries and for approved purposes.

Prior to the commencement of any land disturbance activities, proposed clearing is assessed against the conditions of the relevant approval to verify that the activity is authorised and compliant. This assessment includes confirming that clearing will occur within approved permit boundaries, is consistent with the approved purpose(s), and will be undertaken within any applicable approval timeframes.

Following assessment and approval of a GLUP application, an internal permit is issued specifying the applicable conditions and requirements. During the execution of works, inspections may be undertaken, where considered necessary, to verify adherence to permit conditions and identified environmental, heritage and tenure requirements.

Following completion of authorised works, adherence to GLUP conditions may be reviewed as part of the permit close-out process. Where a close-out review is undertaken, relevant supporting information, such as photographs, inspection records, rehabilitation documentation and applicable certificates (for example, weed and seed certification), is retained and may be included in the close-out documentation to demonstrate compliance with permit requirements.

5.1.2 Land Data Verification Project

BHP is committed to the continuous improvement of its internal processes and systems and has established the Land Data Verification Project (LDVP) to verify land disturbance and rehabilitation data across WAIO environment approvals. The LDVP ensures that disturbance and rehabilitation activities are correctly attributed to the relevant approval instruments.

5.1.3 Standard vs Non-standard NVCP Conditions

A large number of conditions are repeated across all NVCPs. This includes conditions dealing with clearing, rehabilitation, weed management, record keeping, etc. These conditions and BHPs compliance against these is reported ‘in bulk’ in Section 5.2 NVCP – Standard Conditions.

Non-standard conditions related to NVCPs require specific responses. Non-standard conditions include those that require specific management plans to be developed or reference particular flora and fauna species to be considered. Compliance with non-standard conditions is outlined in Section 5.3 - NVCP – Non-standard Conditions.

5.2 NVCP – Standard Conditions

5.2.1 Clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared under the permits, BHP applies the following risk mitigation hierarchy

- avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared;
- reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

These principles are adhered to, where possible:

- utilising existing tracks and infrastructure corridors;
- incorporating sumps and tracks into drill pads;

- modifying drilling programmes to avoid priority flora and fauna disturbance.

A total of 390.32 ha has been disturbed during the FY2026 reporting period under all DMPE managed NVCPs. A summary of clearing and rehabilitation activities conducted under each DMPE managed NVCP has been provided below (Table 5-1 and Table 5-2)

5.2.2 Retain Vegetative Material and Topsoil, Revegetation and Rehabilitation

Topsoil and vegetative material is retained in situ within stockpiles for subsequent use in rehabilitation activities. Rehabilitation typically includes:

- Earthworks to reshape disturbed areas into safe, stable and non-polluting landforms that, where practicable, integrate with the surrounding landscape.
- Deep ripping of heavily compacted areas to alleviate soil compaction and promote revegetation, where required.
- Cutting, plugging and backfilling of drill collars, where applicable.
- Respreading available topsoil and vegetative material across disturbed areas.
- Light scarification of the land surface using contour or herringbone patterns to improve surface stability and enhance seed retention and water infiltration.
- Seed broadcasting where deemed necessary using local provenance seed. Species selection informed by baseline survey data, target vegetation communities and seed availability.

Rehabilitation activities are completed within the timeframes specified under the relevant permit once the cleared land is no longer required for the purpose for which it was authorised. All rehabilitation on ground works are verified against BHPs internal rehabilitation standards to confirm they have been implemented appropriately.

Within the timeframe prescribed by the permit, typically 24 or 48 months following the completion of rehabilitation works ecological monitoring is scheduled. BHP acquires high-resolution 10 cm four-band aerial imagery over the area of interest and engages suitably qualified spatial ecology specialists to assess rehabilitation performance using remote sensing techniques. These assessments evaluate vegetation structure, lifeform composition and vegetation cover to determine whether rehabilitated areas are progressing towards vegetation conditions comparable to the surrounding native vegetation. Where monitoring identifies areas that are not meeting performance expectations, remedial actions may be implemented, including supplementary seeding where appropriate. Only local provenance seed is used, with species selection informed by baseline survey data, target vegetation communities, seed availability and demonstrated propagation success.

BHP incorporates rehabilitation requirements into its operational planning processes to ensure disturbed areas are rehabilitated as soon as they are no longer required for the purpose for which clearing was authorised. Disturbance footprints and future operational requirements are regularly reviewed to identify areas suitable for progressive rehabilitation. Where areas are no longer required for NVCP-authorised activities, rehabilitation is prioritised and scheduled to meet permit requirements, with implementation typically targeted within 12 months. This process supports the progressive reduction of disturbance footprints and facilitates compliance with rehabilitation obligations under the relevant permits.

All disturbance and rehabilitation activities are recorded and maintained within BHPs spatial information systems, which provide a central repository for managing, tracking and reporting land disturbance, rehabilitation status and the associated approval. Spatial records are routinely reviewed and updated to ensure rehabilitation progress, land use requirements and compliance information remain accurate, current and auditable. This information supports rehabilitation planning, annual reporting and the identification of areas suitable for progressive rehabilitation. As part of BHPs commitment to continuous improvement, the Land Data Verification Project (LDVP) has been established to verify the attribution of clearing and rehabilitation data to the correct approval instrument, providing greater assurance in the accuracy and integrity of compliance reporting.

Compliance with rehabilitation-related permit conditions is reported upon permit relinquishment. Where required, rehabilitation monitoring results and supporting records are maintained to demonstrate compliance with permit obligations and inform final permit reporting.

During the FY2026 reporting period a total of 428.39 ha has been rehabilitated and verified under DMPE administered NVCPs. A summary of rehabilitation activities conducted under each NVCP has been provided below (Table 5-1, Table 5-2).

Table 5-1 Summary of clearing and rehabilitation activities for NVCPs administered by DMPE

NVCP	NCVP Issue Date	NVCP Expiry Date	Total area approved for clearing (ha)	Total area cleared in FY2026 (ha)	Total area cleared as of 30 June 2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) in FY2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
2104/2	28/06/2008	30/06/2028	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2160/4	21/06/2008	30/11/2033	105.00	0.00	79.59	0.00	44.88
2161/7	15/03/2008	30/11/2030	755.00	18.41	605.40	0.37	301.32
2296/5	12/07/2008	30/11/2033	302.00	8.43	177.60	16.31	88.39
2527/5	07/03/2009	30/11/2034	100.00	0.00	52.18	0.00	18.54
2814/3	06/03/2009	07/04/2030	75.00	0.00	45.34	0.00	0.42
3012/4	23/05/2009	30/11/2035	180.00	0.00	136.65	0.00	28.83
3215/4	17/10/2009	30/11/2034	200.00	12.38	44.33	0.00	0.00
3373/4	13/03/2010	30/11/2035	282.00	1.32	27.01	0.10	24.80
3547/5	03/04/2010	30/11/2035	295.00	0.00	260.97	0.30	82.18
3609/5	08/05/2010	30/11/2035	110.00	0.00	63.18	0.00	2.44
3843/2	25/09/2010	31/07/2025	40.00	0.00	39.70	0.12	17.62
4094/4	12/02/2011	30/11/2036	450.00	0.82	154.95	0.00	91.74
4242/4	04/06/2011	30/11/2030	12.00	0.00	5.78	0.00	0.00
4249/6	14/05/2011	30/11/2031	21.00	0.00	14.58	0.00	0.00
4294/3	25/06/2011	30/11/2026	180.00	1.51	70.20	24.24	34.55
4468/4	10/09/2011	30/11/2031	750.00	101.08	471.24	154.04	477.29
4469/3	01/10/2011	30/11/2031	300.00	0.00	4.83	0.00	0.00
4470/4	05/11/2011	30/11/2026	40.00	0.00	19.49	3.73	8.28
4521/3	15/10/2011	30/11/2031	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4619/3	07/01/2012	30/11/2031	50.00	0.00	21.79	0.00	10.24
4676/3	04/02/2012	30/11/2026	15.00	0.00	6.35	0.00	0.00
4677/6	31/12/2011	30/11/2030	235.00	0.00	184.26	0.08	76.75
4756/2	25/02/2012	30/11/2026	45.00	0.00	18.59	0.00	17.90
4831/4	10/03/2012	30/11/2037	38.00	0.00	25.70	0.00	2.93
4875/4	02/06/2012	30/11/2032	90.00	17.00	54.07	0.04	10.44
5045/2	21/07/2012	30/11/2030	42.00	0.00	4.70	0.00	0.00
5105/3	29/09/2012	30/11/2033	1,221.00	0.21	362.40	0.00	0.00
5250/1	29/12/2012	31/10/2027	170.00	0.00	56.43	0.05	41.64
5433/2	27/04/2013	30/11/2035	90.00	0.25	67.04	0.00	37.65
5572/3	20/07/2013	30/11/2035	110.00	1.06	2.78	0.00	0.28
5889/2	11/01/2014	30/11/2027	141.00	1.18	9.30	0.00	33.51
5924/2	15/03/2014	30/11/2032	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5925/3	31/05/2014	30/11/2034	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5926/8	24/05/2014	30/11/2029	400.00	0.00	387.65	16.70	237.05
5987/1	19/04/2014	01/10/2024	40.00	0.00	4.23	0.00	0.00
5990/1	19/04/2014	19/04/2029	190.00	0.42	157.07	12.36	47.50
6141/2	23/08/2014	30/11/2029	200.00	0.42	6.55	0.00	0.00
6234/1	18/10/2014	30/11/2024	30.00	0.00	19.40	0.00	0.00
6450/2	18/04/2015	30/11/2034	444.82	9.53	36.24	10.10	24.89
6469/1	02/05/2015	30/11/2025	25.00	0.00	22.94	0.00	18.31
6558/1	04/07/2015	31/07/2025	150.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
6671/2	10/10/2015	30/11/2035	100.00	0.00	2.47	0.00	0.00
6762/2	21/11/2015	30/11/2035	10.00	0.05	1.47	0.00	0.00
6834/3	23/04/2016	30/11/2036	20.00	0.12	5.57	0.00	0.00
6924/3	16/04/2016	30/11/2036	40.00	0.00	1.17	0.00	0.00
7009/4	13/08/2016	30/11/2037	2,928.00	13.38	224.40	0.00	25.10

NVCP	NCVP Issue Date	NVCP Expiry Date	Total area approved for clearing (ha)	Total area cleared in FY2026 (ha)	Total area cleared as of 30 June 2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) in FY2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated (Stage 2) as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
7139/4	10/09/2016	30/11/2031	1,000.00	125.53	904.16	113.73	305.43
7260/1	19/11/2016	30/11/2031	200.00	0.00	2.43	0.00	0.00
7272/1	26/11/2016	30/11/2036	200.00	0.00	7.05	0.18	0.18
7374/3	11/02/2017	30/11/2031	700.00	22.75	289.17	35.97	251.49
7409/2	19/08/2017	30/11/2027	10.00	0.00	3.62	0.00	0.20
7525/2	10/06/2017	30/11/2032	15.00	2.88	5.42	0.00	0.00
7647/1	02/09/2017	30/11/2026	23.00	0.00	12.77	0.00	0.00
8009/2	08/06/2018	30/11/2028	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8033/2	16/06/2018	30/11/2033	300.00	0.47	139.72	27.68	124.16
8123/2	10/11/2018	30/11/2033	200.00	40.71	159.49	12.04	30.12
8936/1	22/08/2020	30/11/2025	4.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8940/2	24/10/2020	30/11/2035	40.00	0.00	9.71	0.01	0.05
8953/3	28/11/2020	31/12/2028	30.00	0.00	23.99	0.00	0.00
9178/3	03/04/2021	30/11/2037	130.00	4.87	9.75	0.00	0.00
10292/1	09/02/2024	09/02/2034	16.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10533/1	27/06/2024	26/06/2039	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

Table 5-2 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for the FY2026 Reporting Period – NVCP 5617/6

NCVP Issue Date	NVCP Expiry Date	Total area approved for clearing (ha)
23/11/2013	30/11/2033	2,010.30

Description	Area Disturbed (ha)	
	Total area disturbed in FY2026 (ha)	Total area disturbed as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Disturbance	**12.27**	**1,037.72**

Description	Area Rehabilitated (ha)	
	Total area rehabilitated in FY2026 (ha)	Total area rehabilitated as of 30 June 2026 (ha)
Rehabilitation - Stage 1	0.00	165.85
Rehabilitation - Stage 2	0.62	194.74
Rehabilitation - Stage 1 + Stage 2	**0.62**	**360.59**

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

A summary of rehabilitation monitoring activities conducted during the FY2026 reporting period has been provided below in Table 5-3.

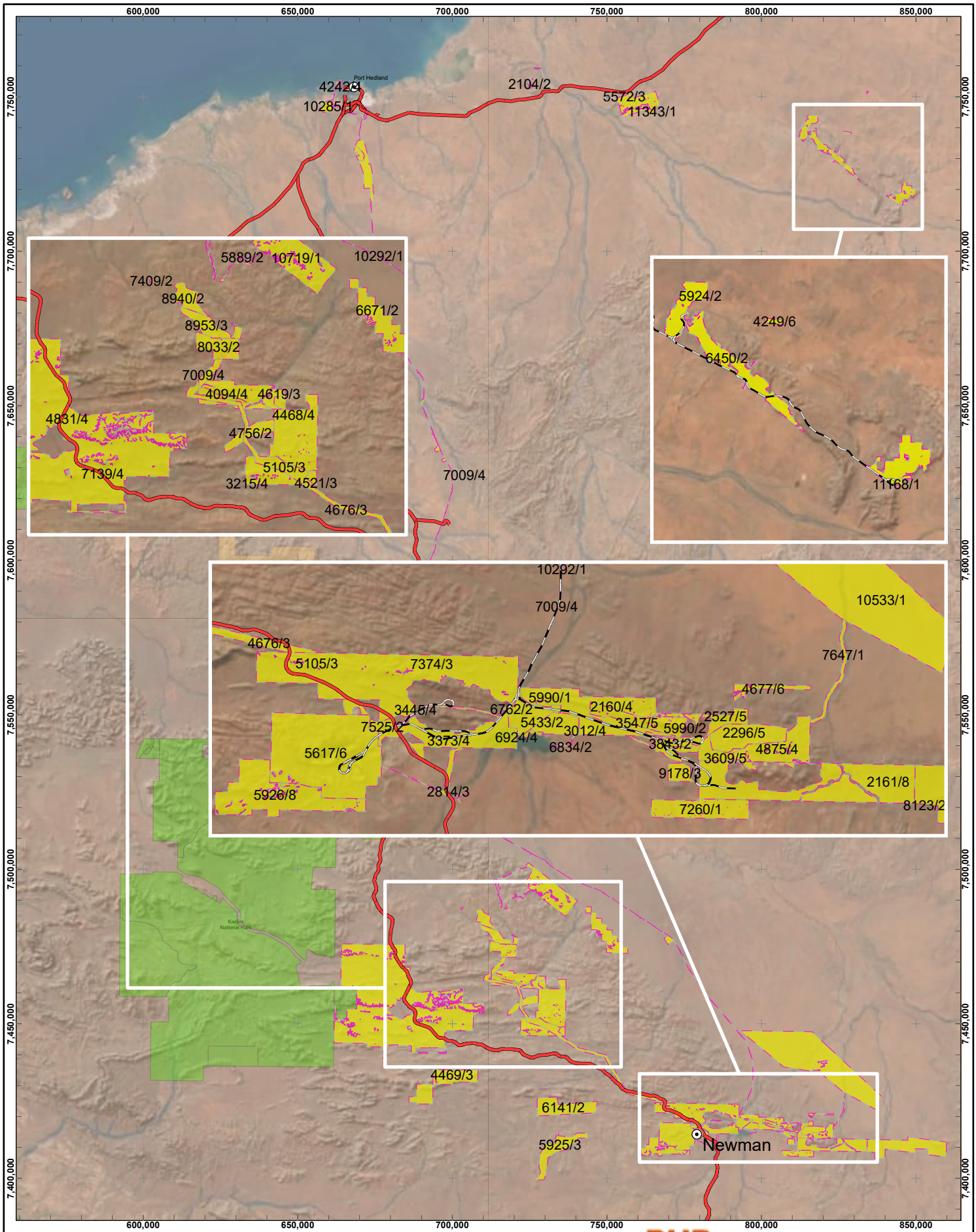
Table 5-3 Rehabilitation Monitoring – four-year monitoring commitment

NVCP Number	Year rehabilitation conducted	Date monitoring conducted	Environmental Specialist comments
4094	2023	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 4094 had a total area of 47.63 ha. The total native cover was 14.55% and consisted of Hummock Grass (7.00%), Shrub (6.21%), Tussock Grass (0.75%), and Tree (0.58%). No weed cover was recorded. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
4468	2023 / 2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 4468 had a total area of 0.71 ha. The total native cover was 9.92% and consisted of Hummock Grass (1.79%), Tussock Grass (0.12%) and Shrub (8.01%). No weed cover was recorded. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
7009	2023	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 7009 had a total area of 0.09 ha. The total native cover was 13.14% and consisted of Hummock Grass (9.96%) and Shrub (3.18%). No weed cover was recorded. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
7139	2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 7139 had a total area of 0.53 ha. The total native cover was 34.56% and consisted of Hummock Grass (28.01%), Shrub (5.64%), Tussock Grass (0.51%) and Tree (0.39%). No weed cover was recorded. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
2160	2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 2160 had a total area of 0.30 ha. The total native cover was 15.98% and consisted of Hummock Grass (8.47%), Shrub (6.80%) and Tussock Grass (0.7%). No weed cover was recorded. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
3547	2023 / 2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 3547 had a total area of 1.09 ha. The total native cover was 31.2% and consisted of Hummock Grass (17.03%), Shrub (6.85%), Mulga (5.81%) Tree (1.19%), Tussock Grass (0.31%) and weed cover (11.07%). **Cenchrus* spp. (including **Cenchrus ciliaris/setiger*) was the only weed recorded during the 2026 monitoring assessment. The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
5433	2023 / 2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 5433 had a total area of 34.4 ha. The total native cover was 8.76% and consisted of Hummock Grass (4.54%), Shrub (2.58%), Tussock Grass (0.87%), Mulga (0.71%), Tree (0.05%), and weed cover (0.76%). The only weed recorded during the 2026 monitoring was **Cenchrus* spp. (0.76%). The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
5990	2023 / 2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 5990 had a total area of 27.19 ha. The total native cover was 10.12% and consisted of Hummock Grass (7.56%), Shrub (3.09%), Mulga (0.54%), Tussock Grass (0.42%), Tree (0.11%), and weed cover (0.44%). The only weed recorded during the 2026 monitoring was **Cenchrus* sp. (0.44%). The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
5926	2023	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 5926 had a total area of 17.05 ha. The total native cover was 11.82% and consisted of Hummock Grass (6.41%), Shrub (4.33%), Mulga (0,63%), Tussock Grass (0.38%), Tree (0.08%), and weed cover (0.57%). The only weed recorded during the 2026 monitoring was **Cenchrus* spp. (0.57%). The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.
7374	2023 / 2024	March 2026	The rehabilitation within NVCP 7374 had a total area of 90.72 ha. The total native cover was 8.87% and consisted of Hummock Grass (3.87%), Shrub (3.69%), Mulga (0.64%) Tussock Grass (0.50%), Tree (0.16%), and weed cover (0.84%). The only weed recorded during the 2026 monitoring was *Cenchrus* spp. (0.84%). The rehabilitation is on track to returning to a natural state.

Table 5-4 below provides a summary of drill hole activities for all NVCPs administered by DMPE. Note that this includes open holes drilled under previously existing approvals or agreements in the area.

Table 5-4 Summary of drill hole activities for Geoscience NVCPs administered by DMPE

NVCP	Holes Opened in FY2026	Holes Capped and Rehabilitated in FY2026	Total Remaining Open (as of 30/06/2026)	Total Capped and Rehabilitated (as of 30/06/2026)
2160/4	0	0	44	292
2161/8	250	0	5,327	3,293
2296/5	127	151	163	803
2527/5	0	0	86	777
3215/4	65	0	205	1,126
4094/4	0	0	162	964
4468/4	764	1,203	1,480	4,559
4469/3	0	0	11	0
4677/6	0	0	9	3
4875/4	71	0	99	71
5433/2	0	0	5	397
5572/3	0	0	134	0
5925/3	0	0	31	210
5990/2	0	299	321	744
6141/2	0	0	0	40
6450/2	0	0	93	81
6671/2	0	0	21	250
7139/4	1,012	2,099	7,214	14,570
7260/1	0	0	17	0
7374/3	35	149	406	3,101
8033/2	0	293	388	1,621
8123/2	28	58	140	254
10719/1	0	0	2,555	1,944



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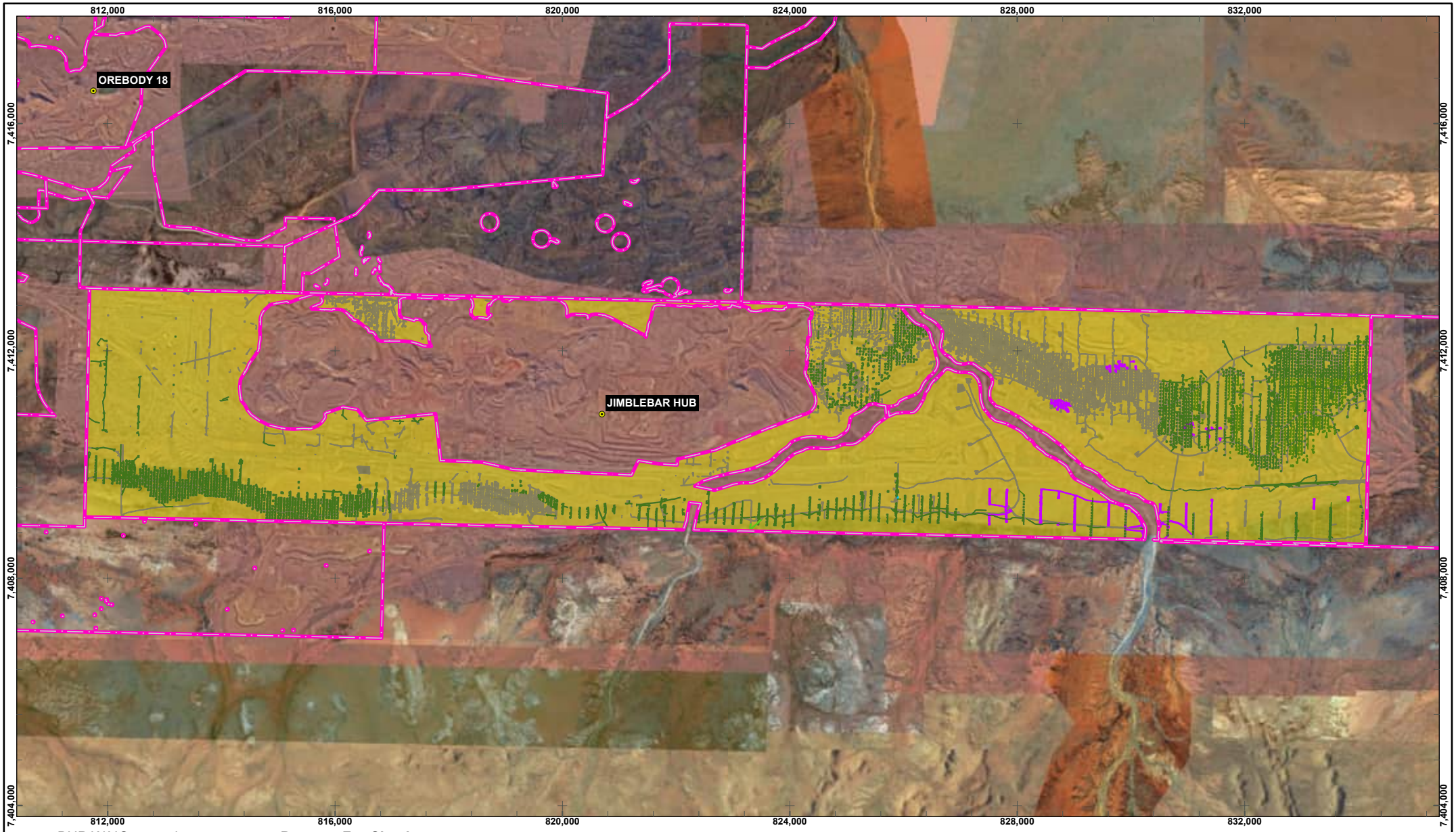
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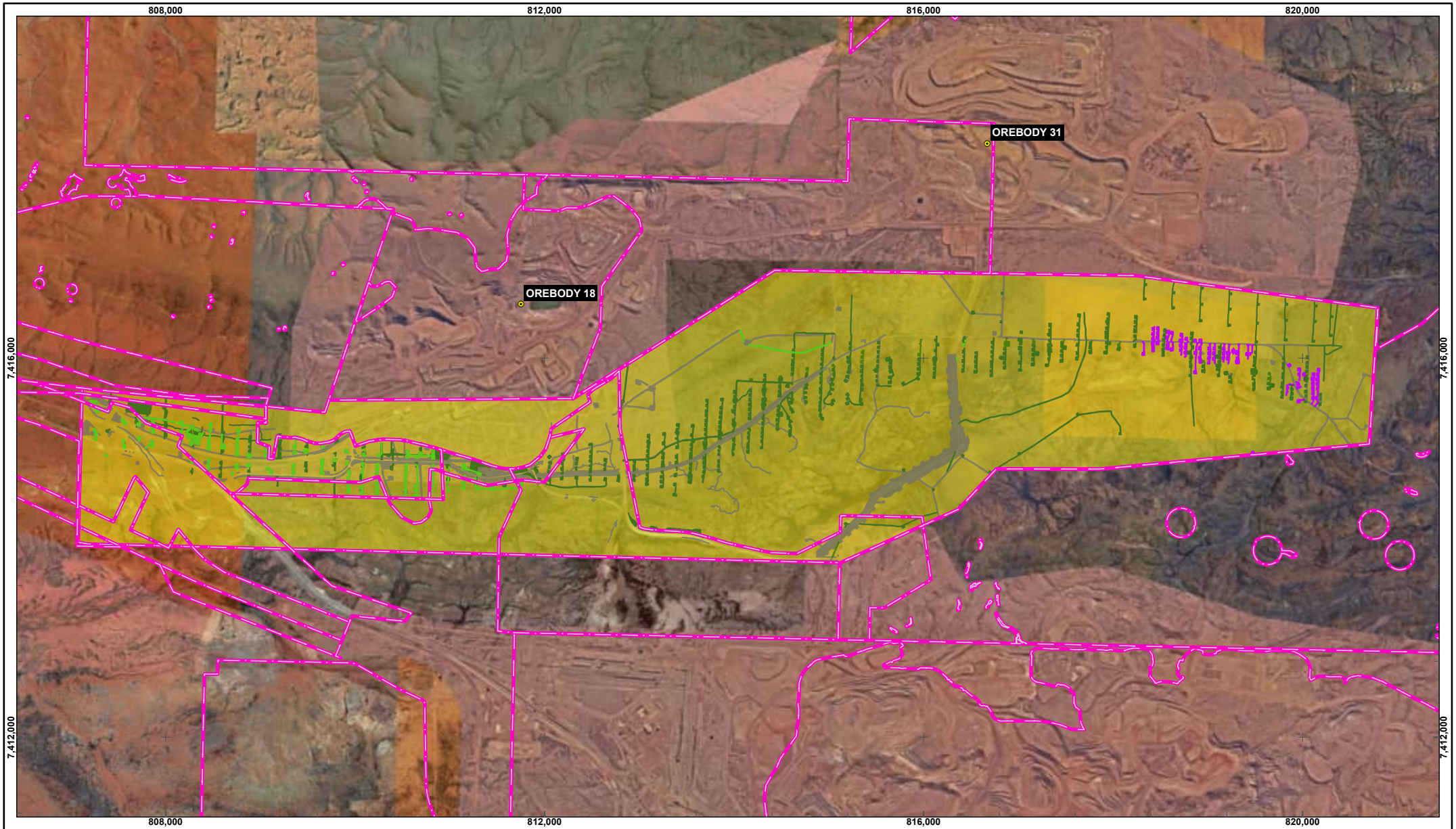
2161/8 - South Jimblebar

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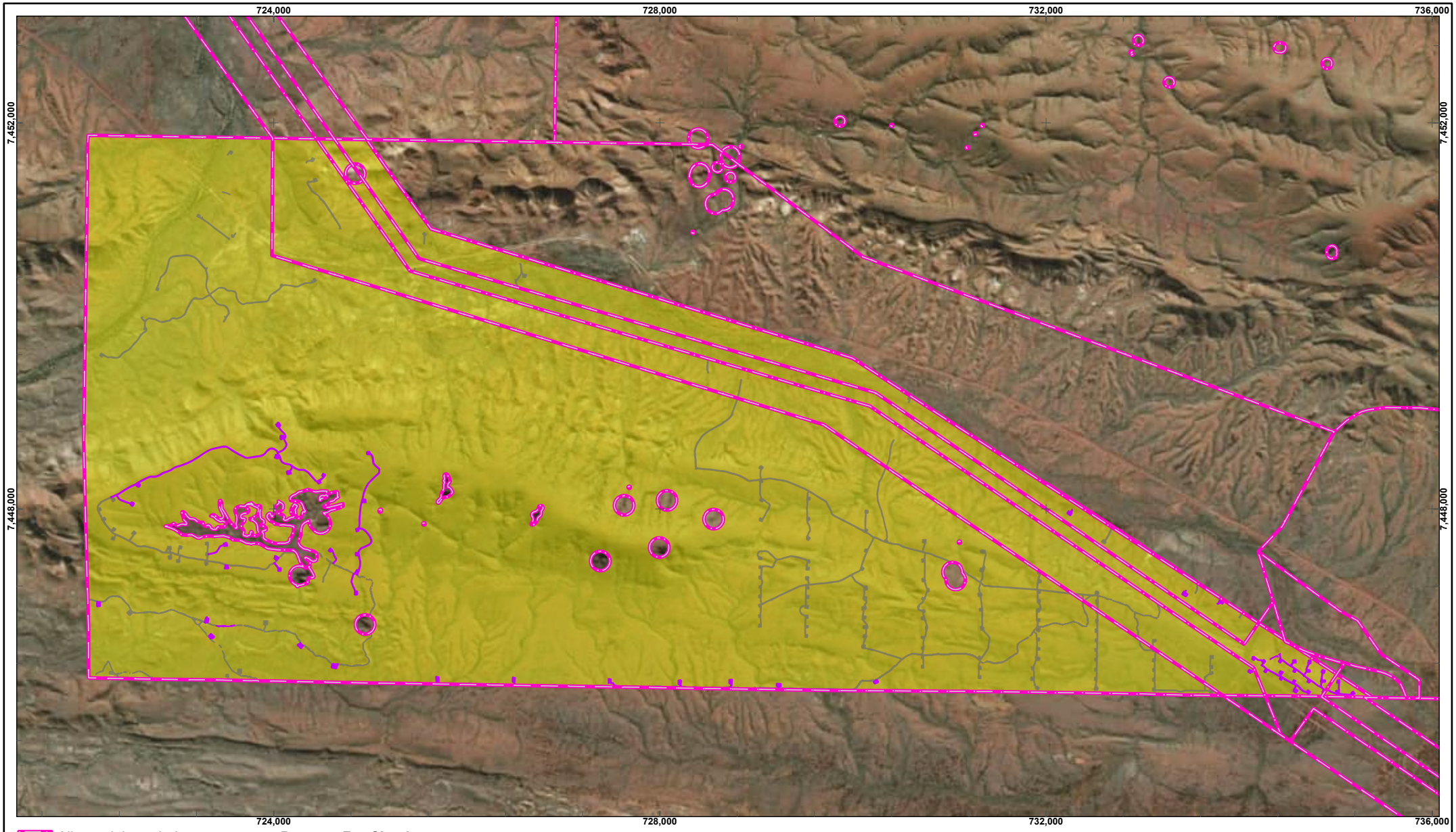
2296/5 - Mesa Gap

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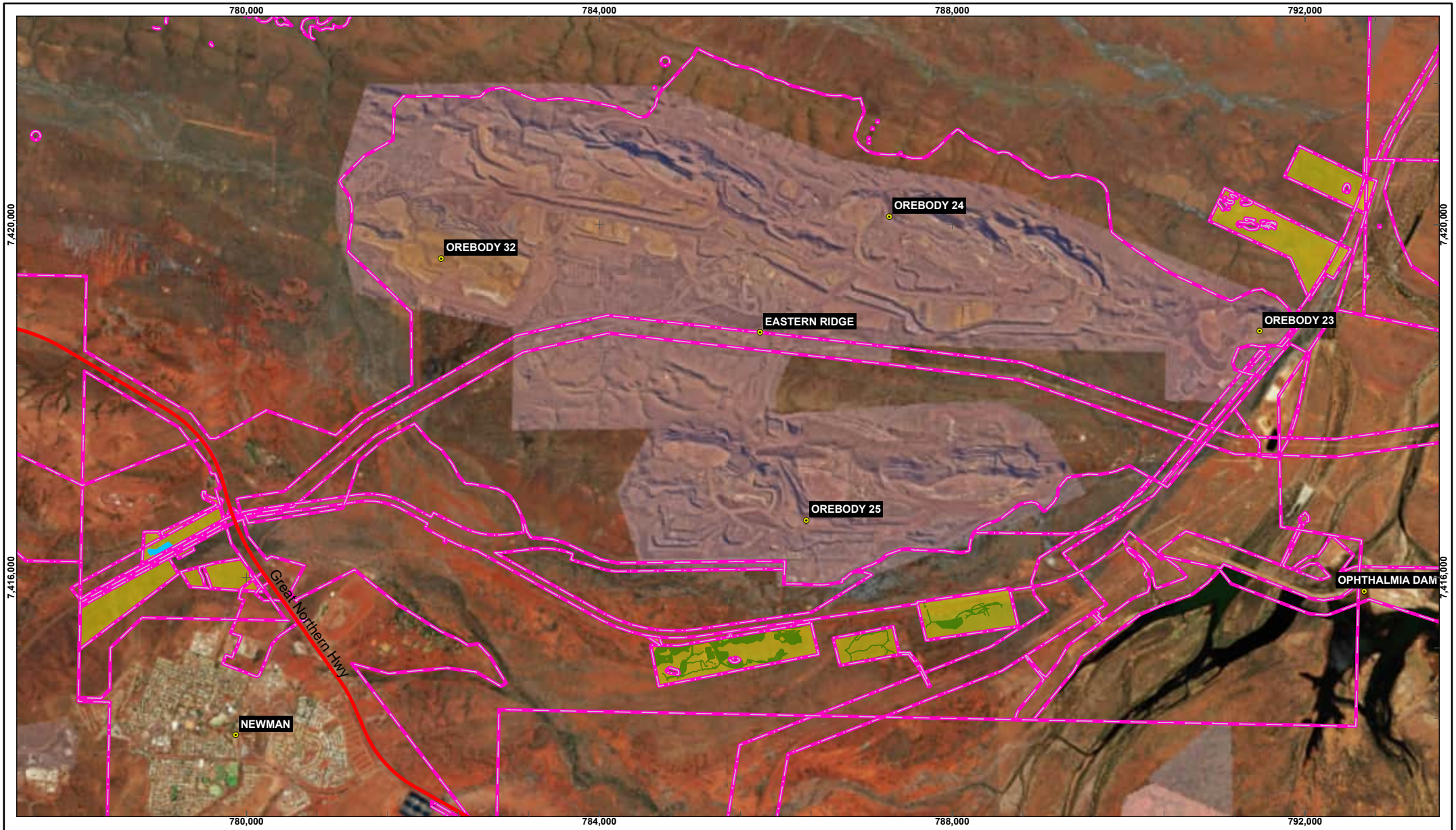
3215/4 - South Parmelia

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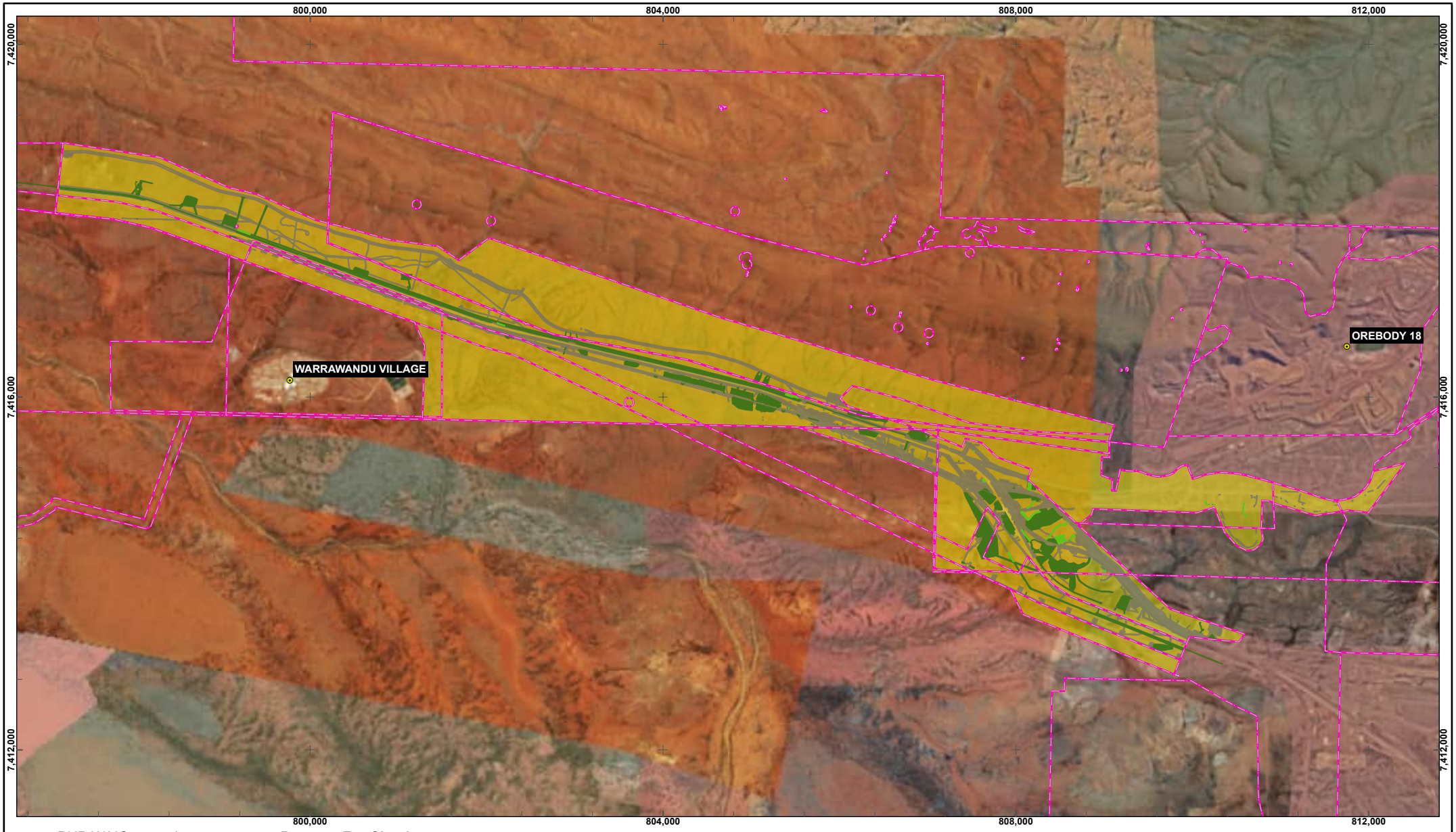
3373/4 - Eastern Ridge

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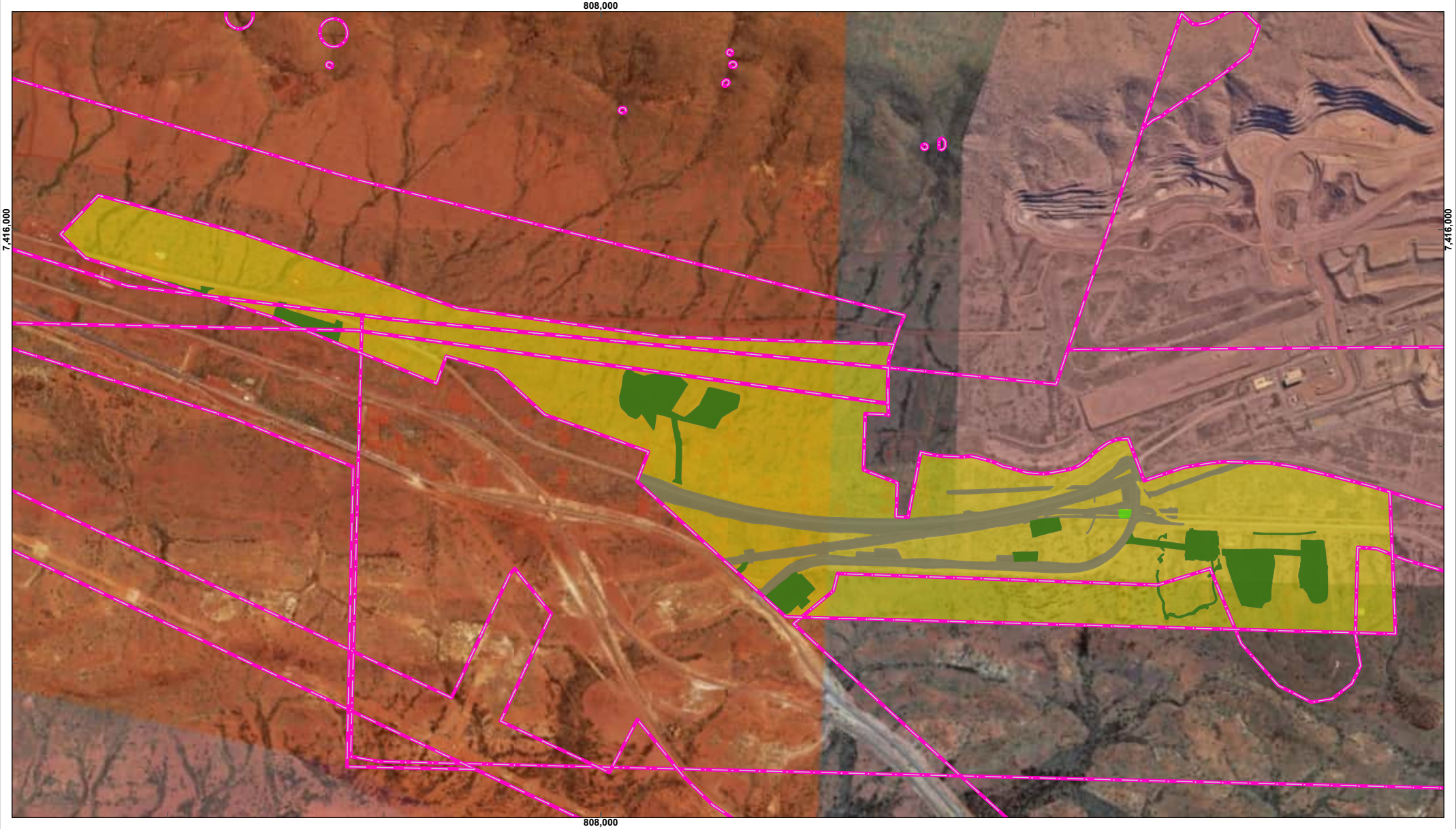
3547/5 - Jimblebar

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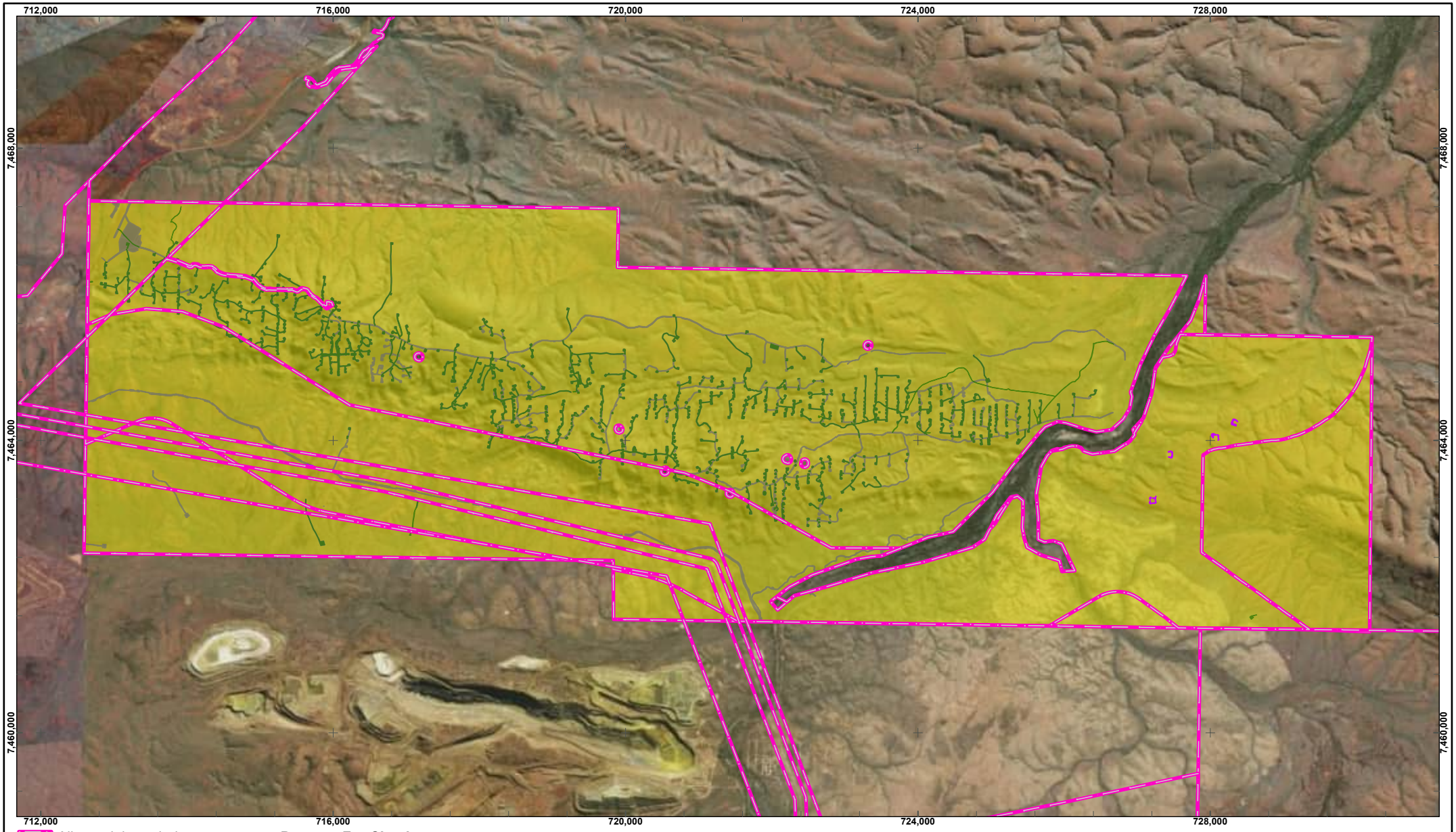
3843/2 - Jimblebar

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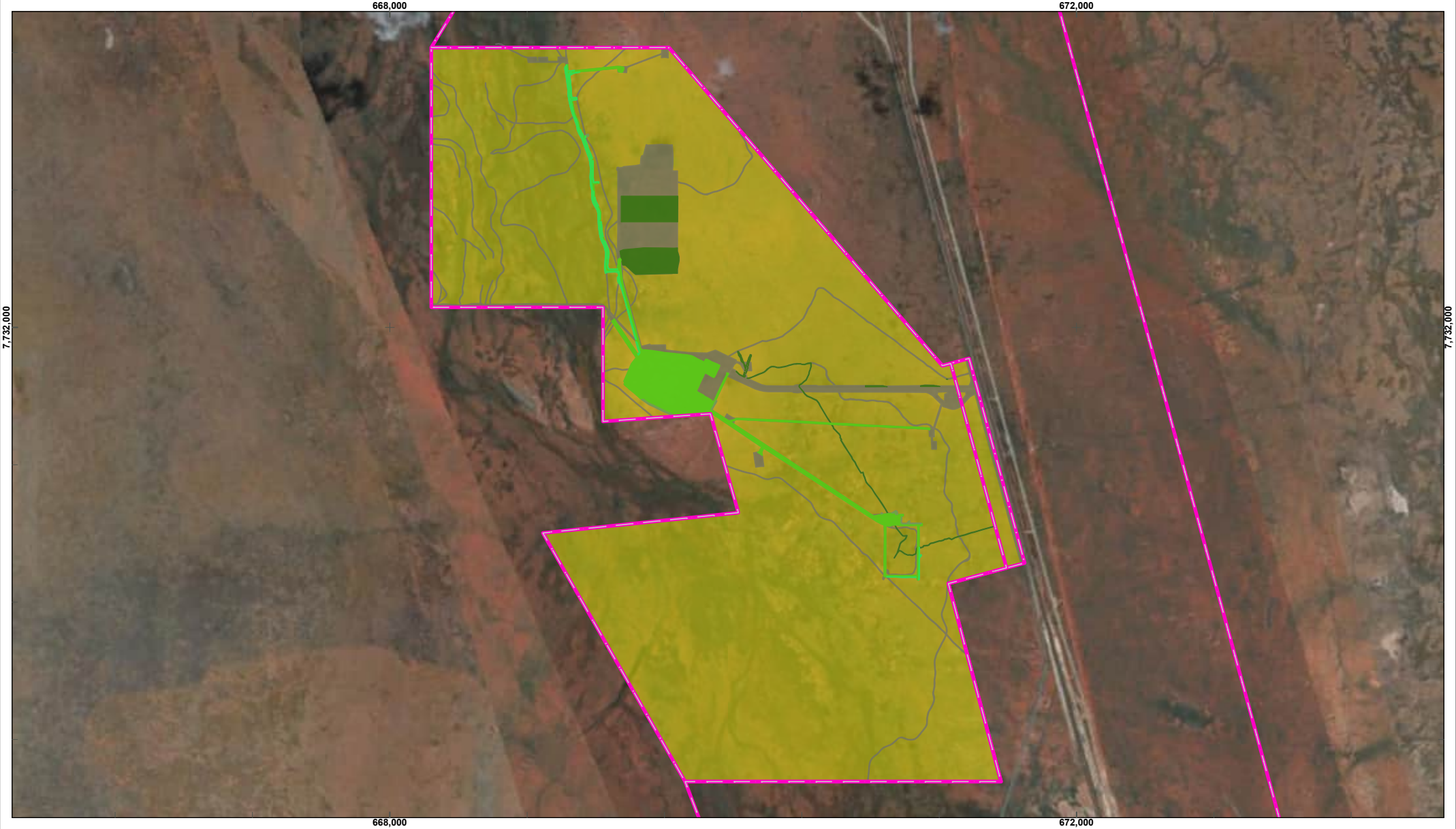
4094/4 - Eastern Packsaddle

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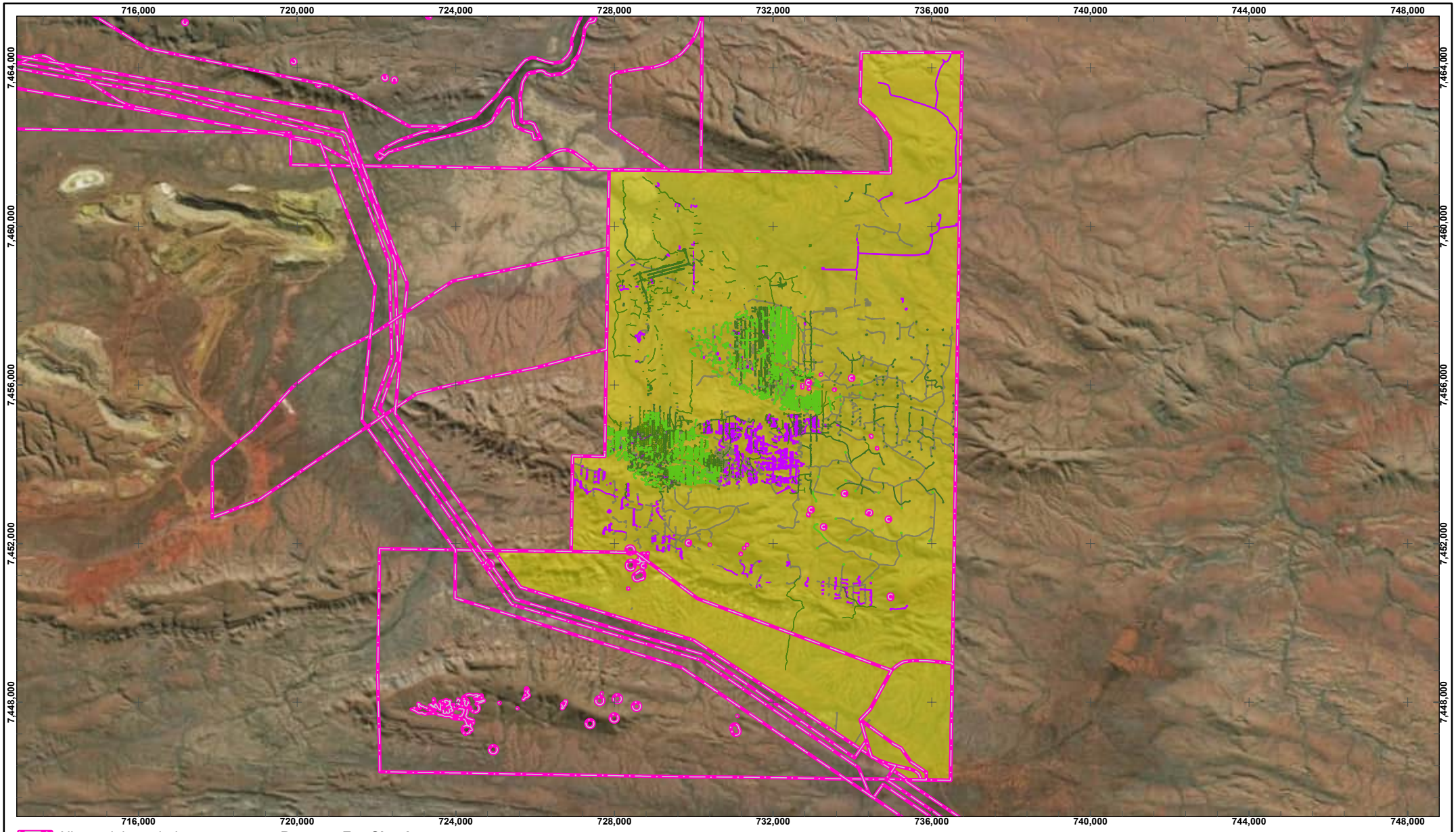
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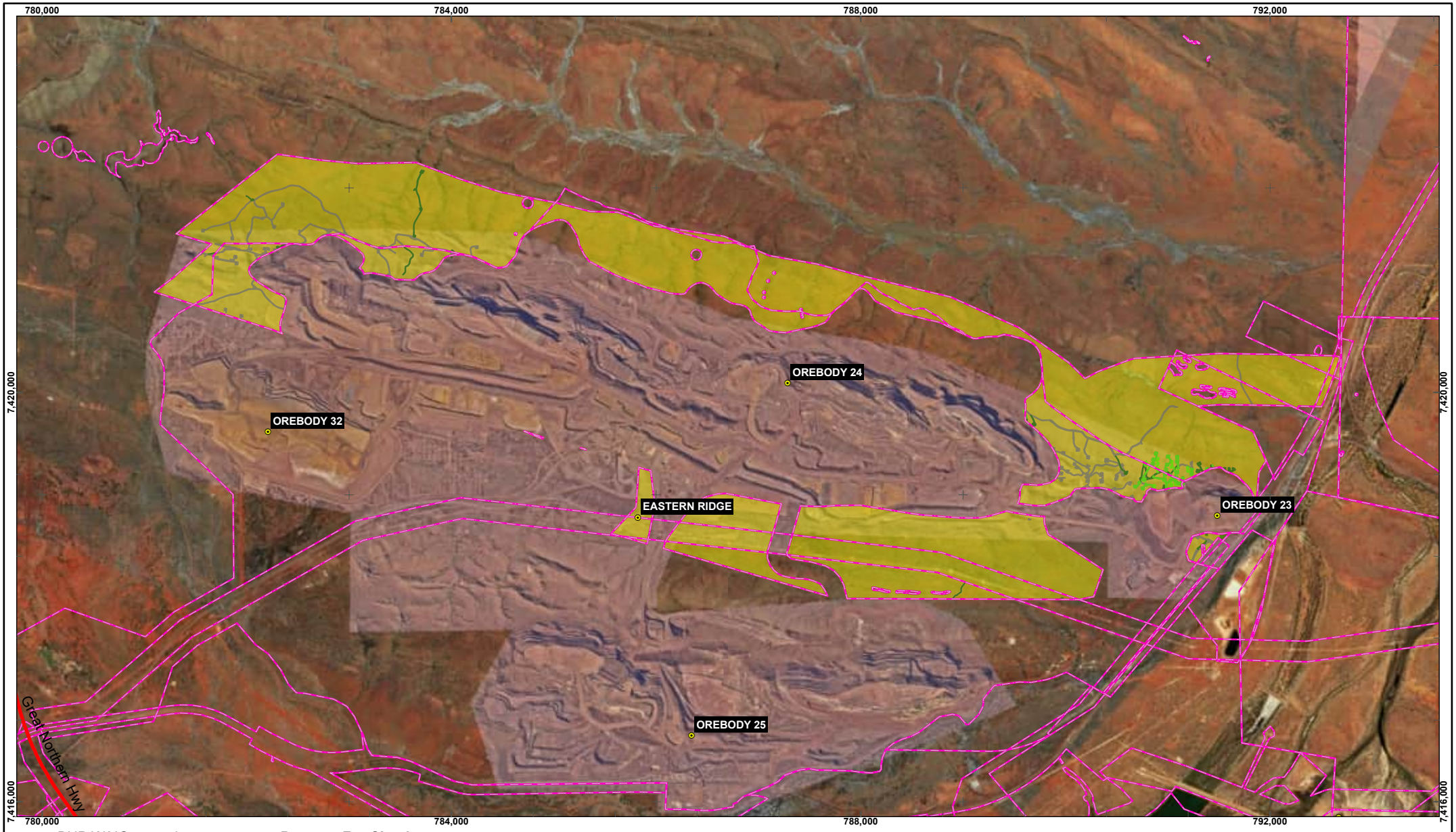
4468/4 - Jinidi

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4470/4 - Orebody 24 Exploration Drilling Project

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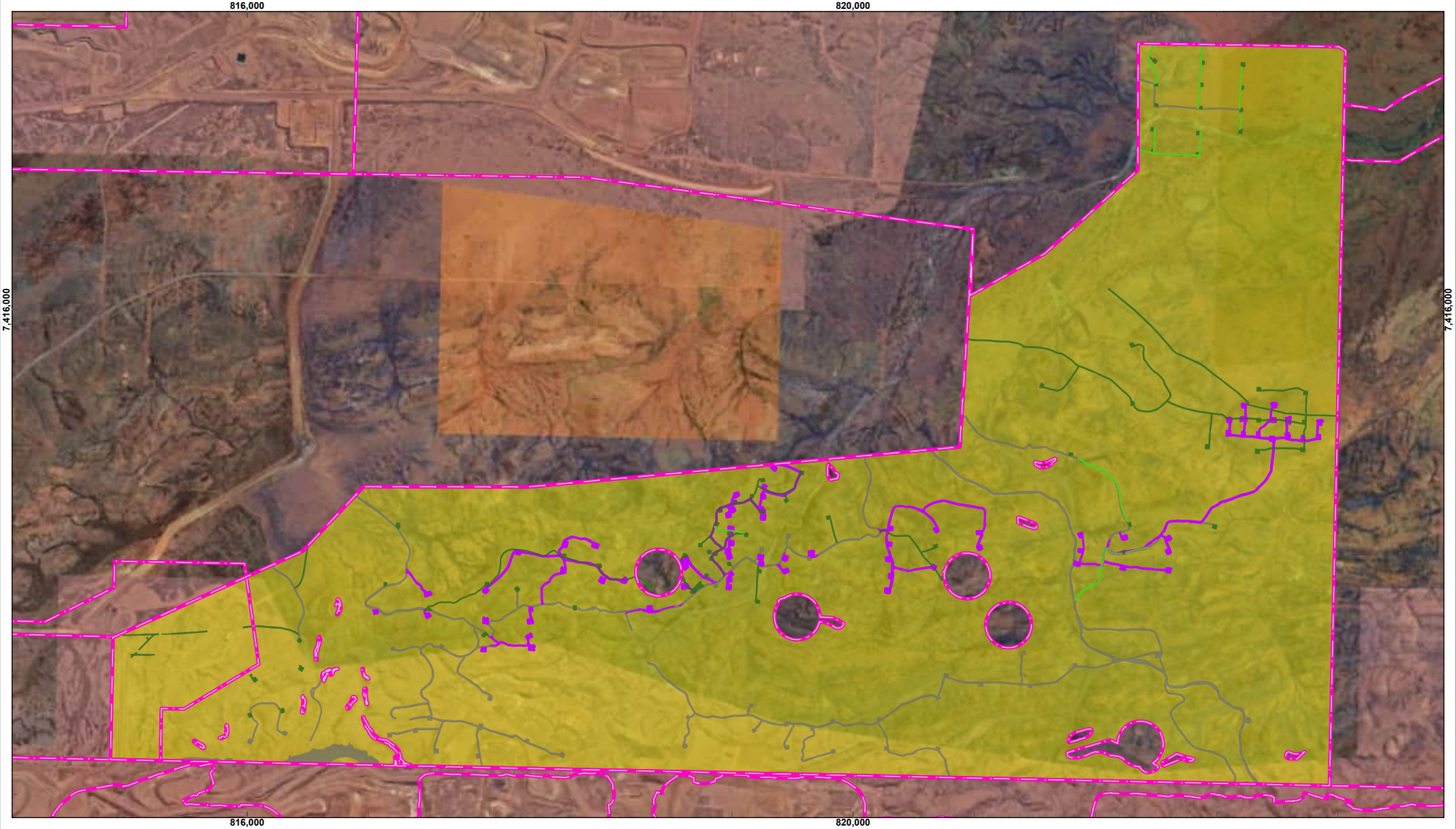
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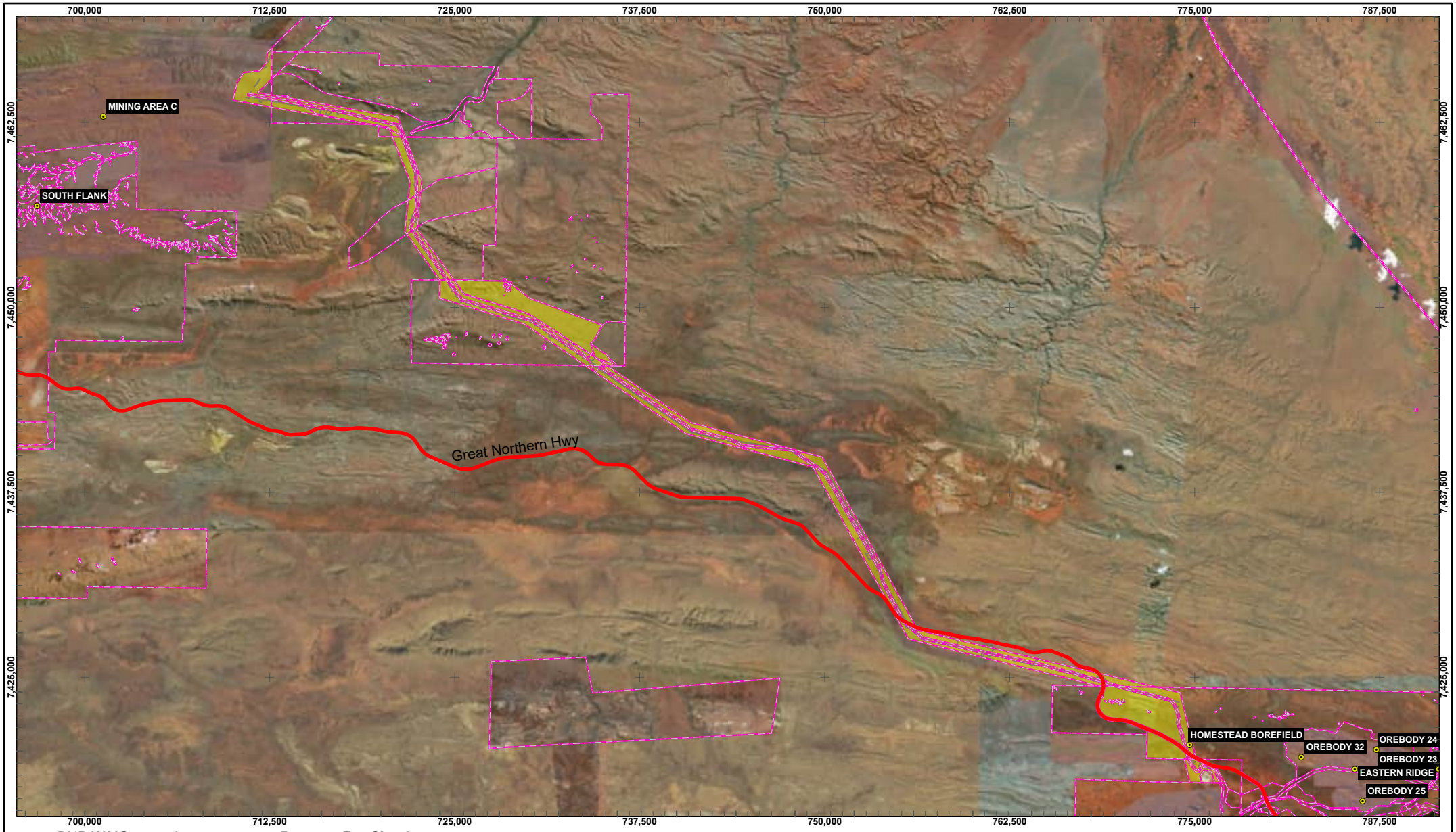
4875/4 - Wheelarra (Jimblebar)

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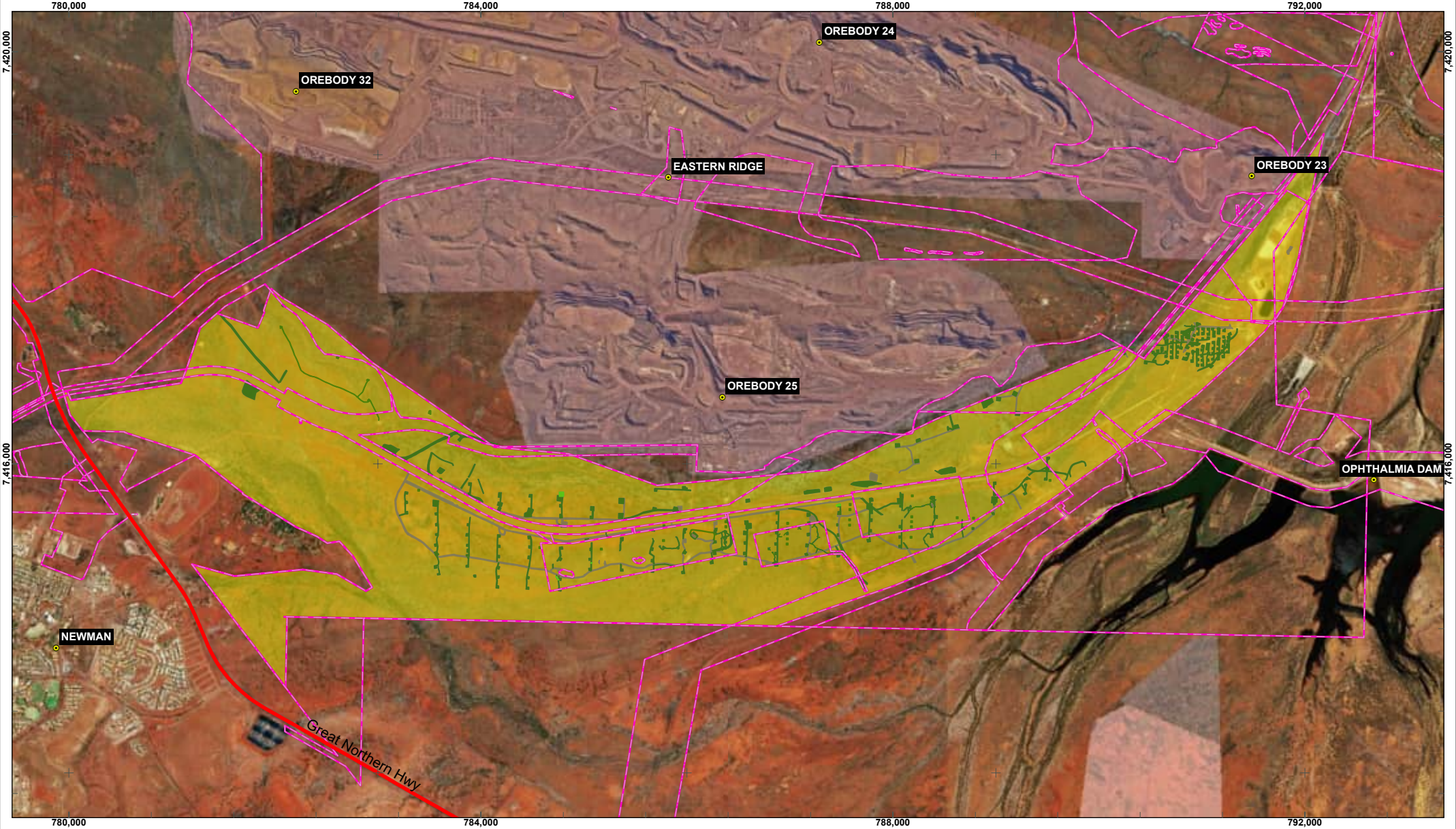
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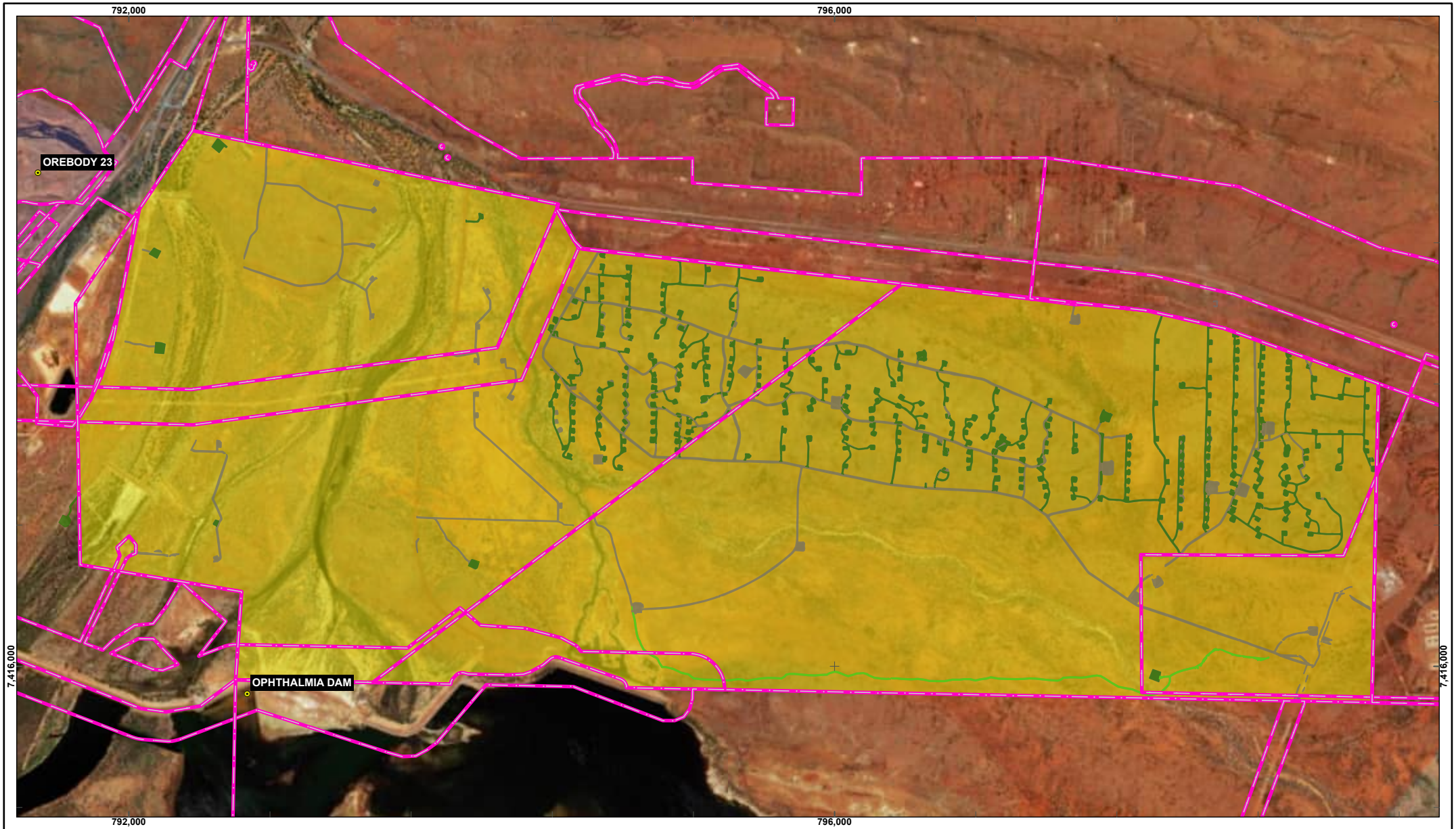
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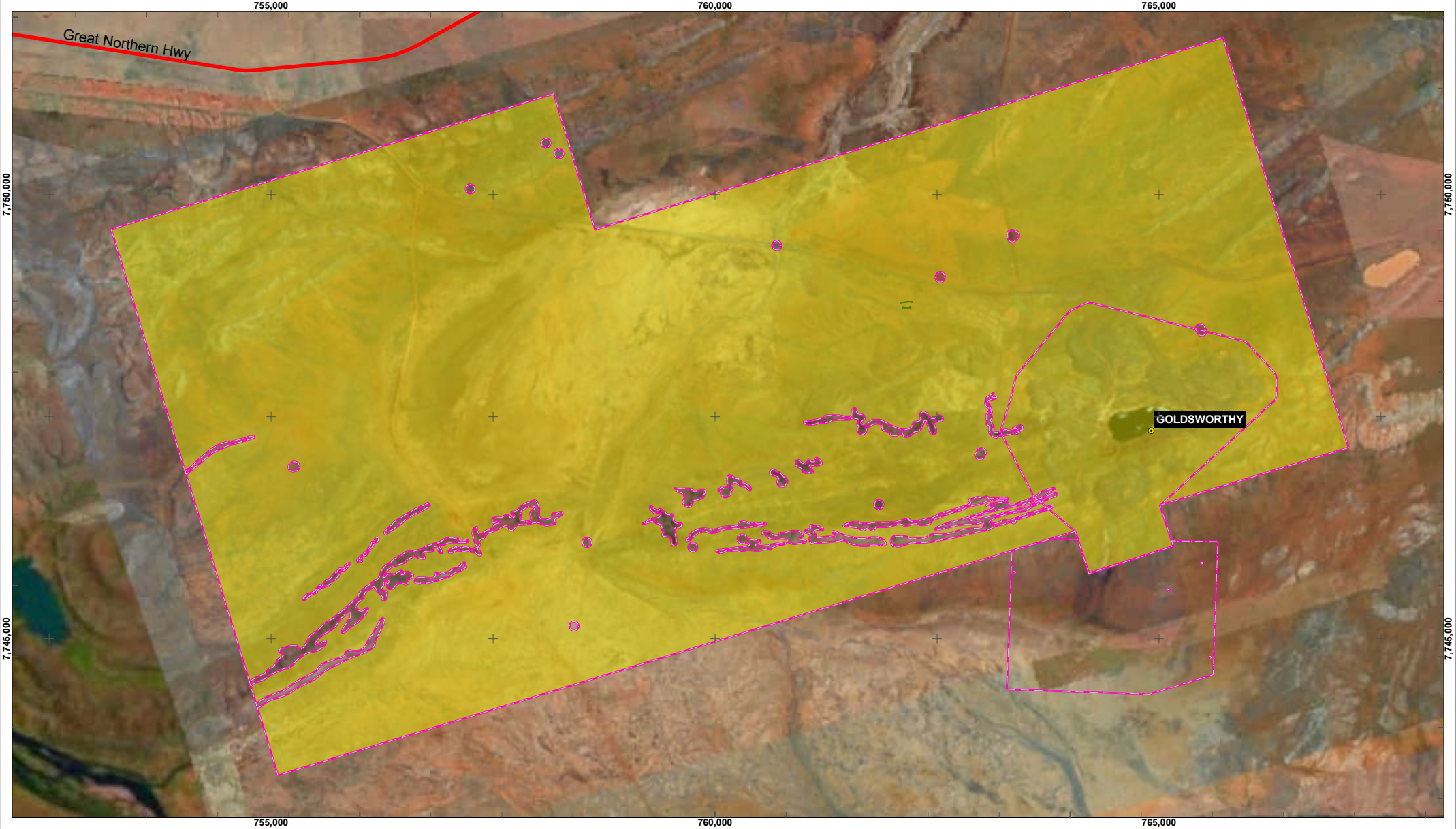
5433/2 - East Ophthalmia

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FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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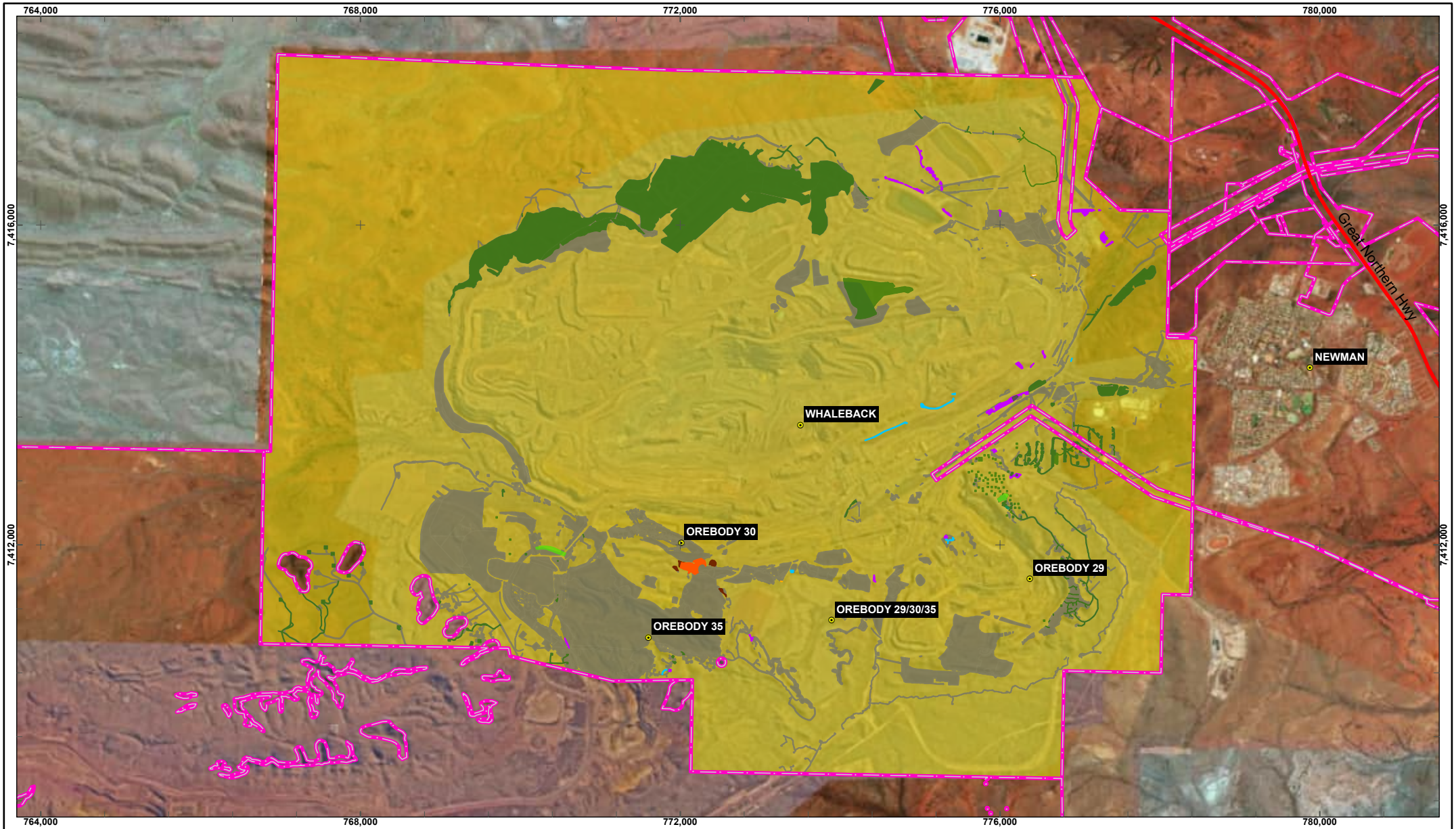
5572/3 - Goldsworthy

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- BHP WAIO operation
- Highway
- All permit boundaries
- Selected permit boundary FY26
- FY 2026 Rehabilitation
- Baseline Rehabilitation
- Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Other

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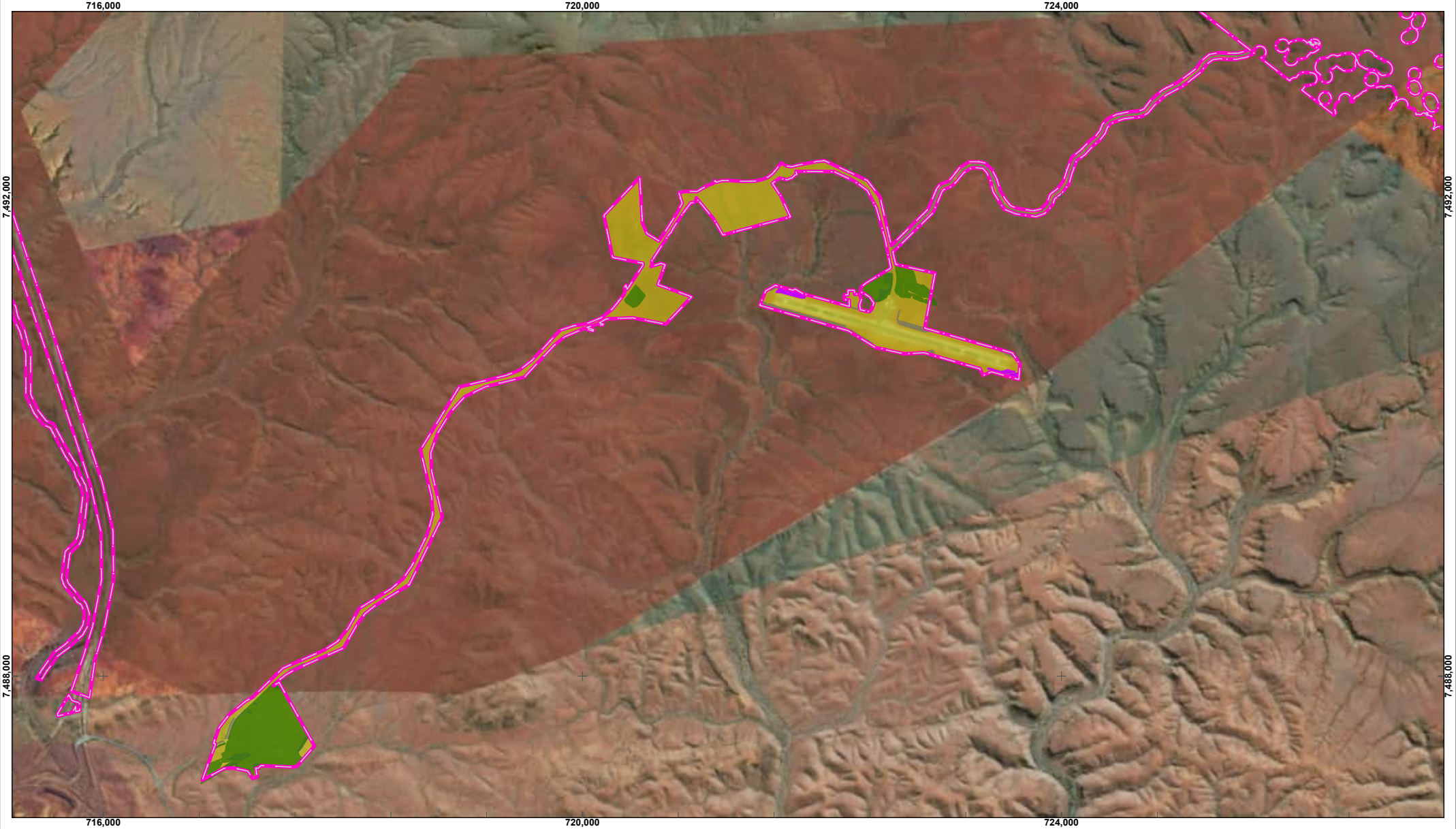
5617/6 - Whaleback

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FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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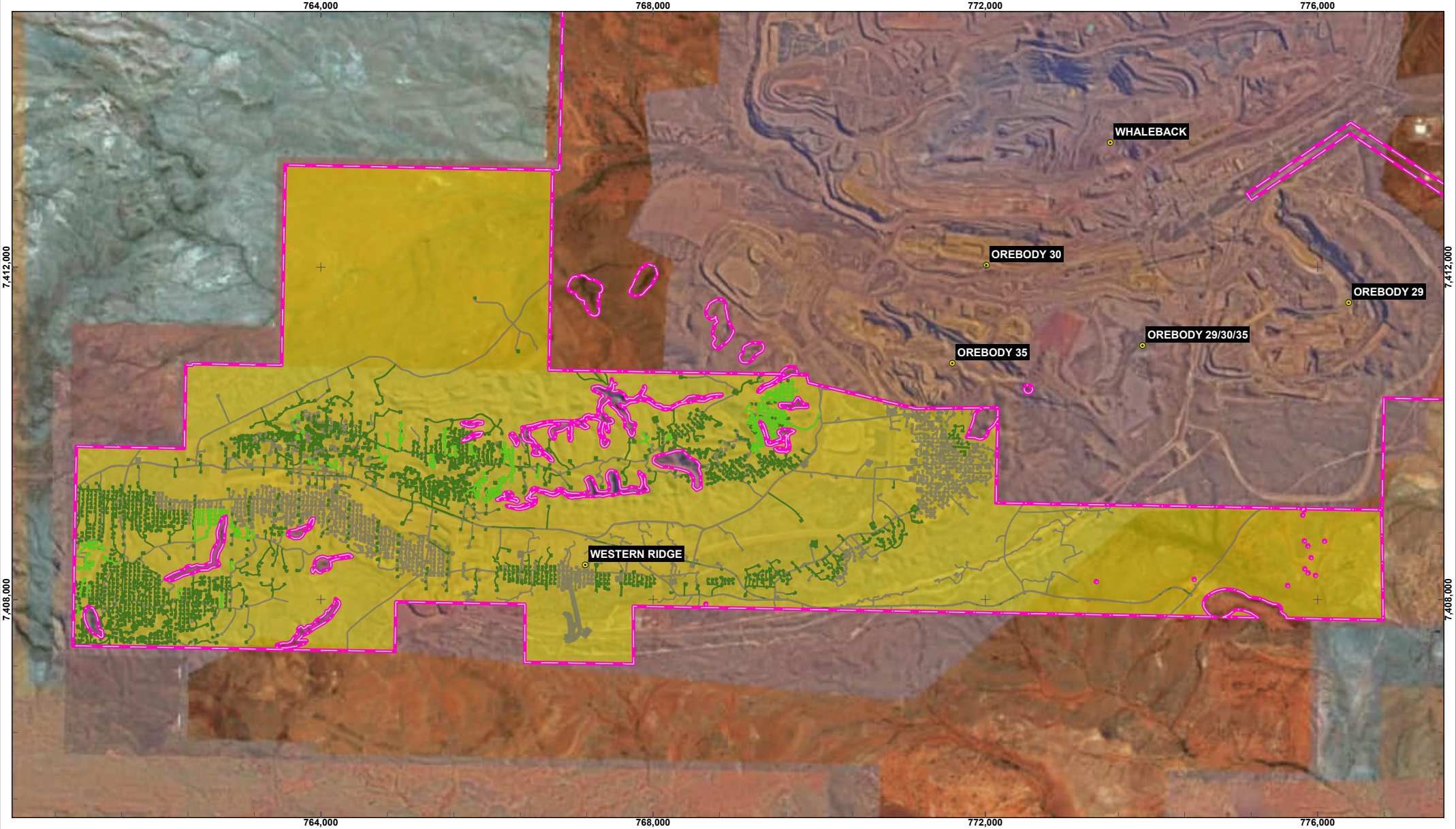
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FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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KILOMETRES

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5926/8 - Western Ridge

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Purpose For Clearing

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- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Other

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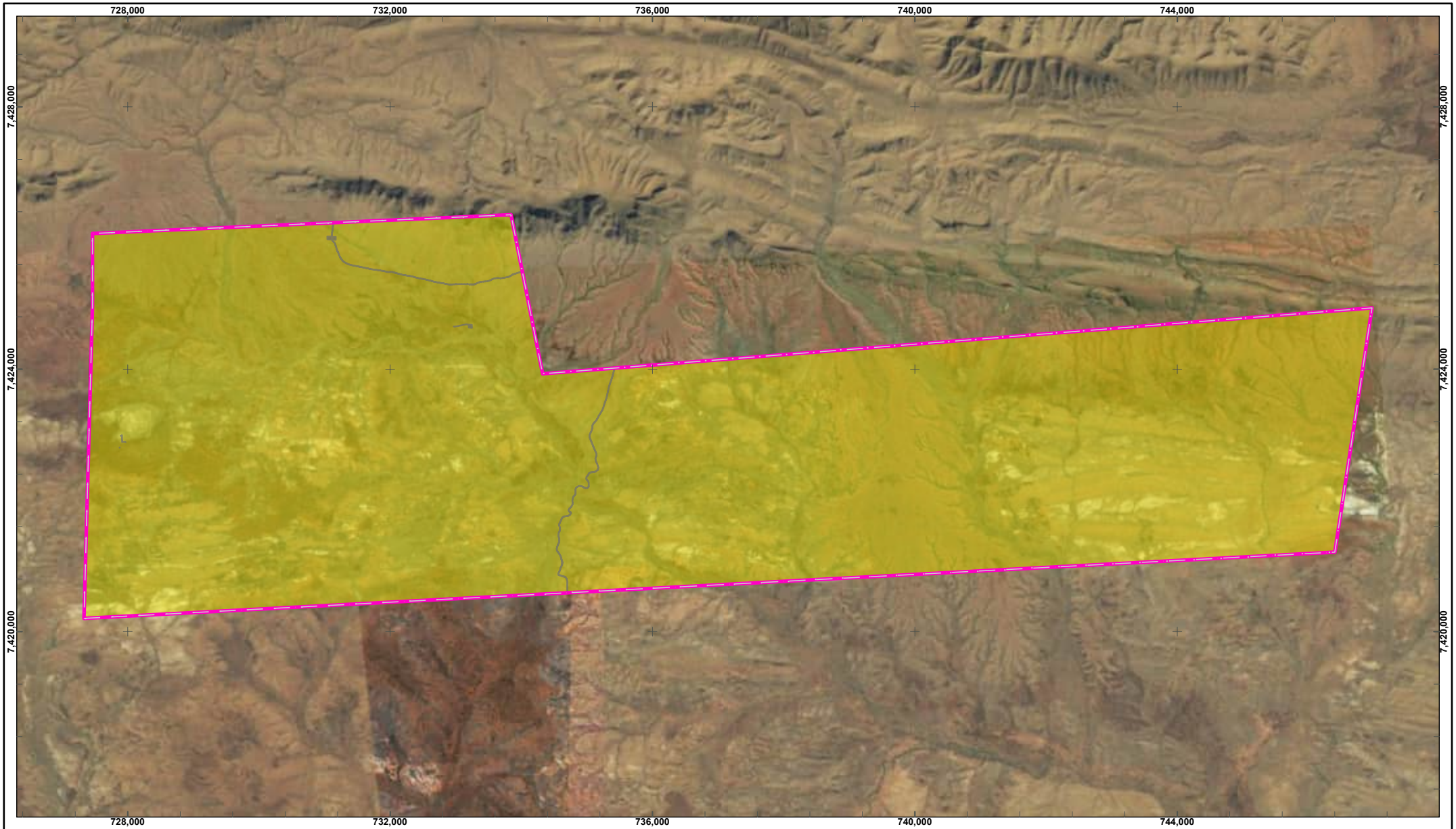
5590/2 - Opthalmia

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Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

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FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
FY 2026 Other

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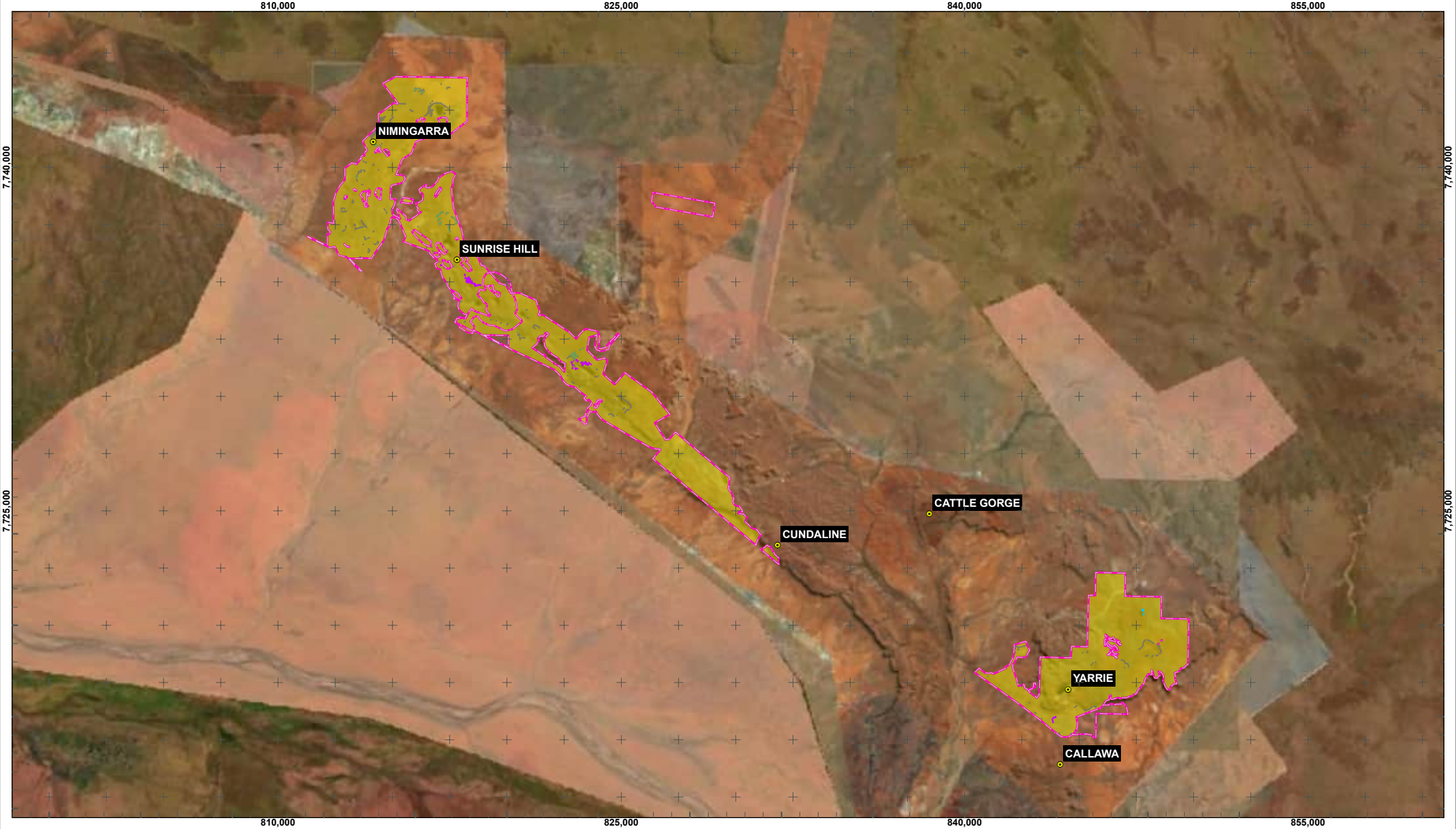
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- Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

- FY 2026 Mining void
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- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Other

N

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KILOMETRES

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NATIVE VEGETATION CLEARING PERMIT NO:

6450/2 - Nimingarra

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Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
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FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
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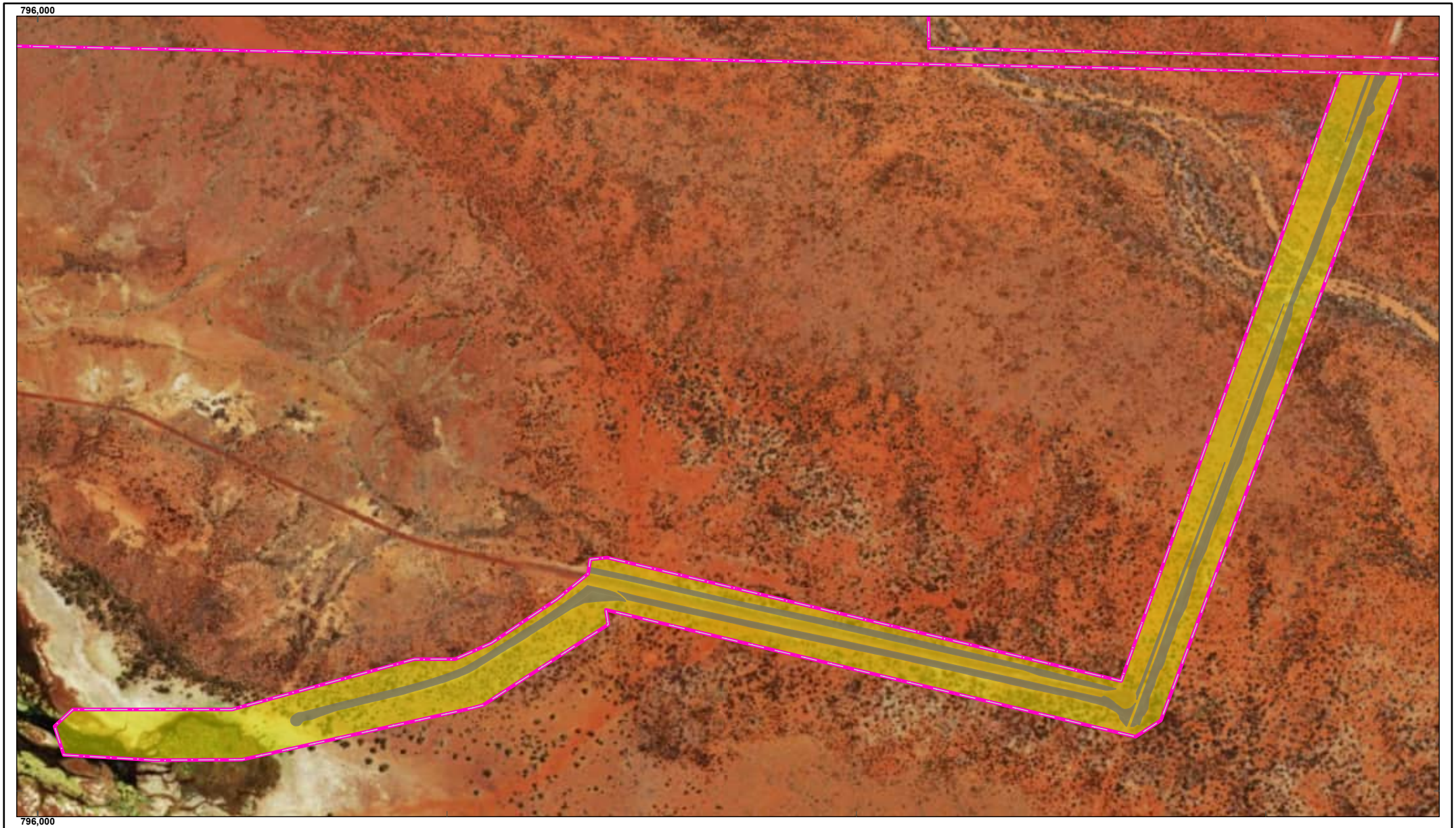
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FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

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FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
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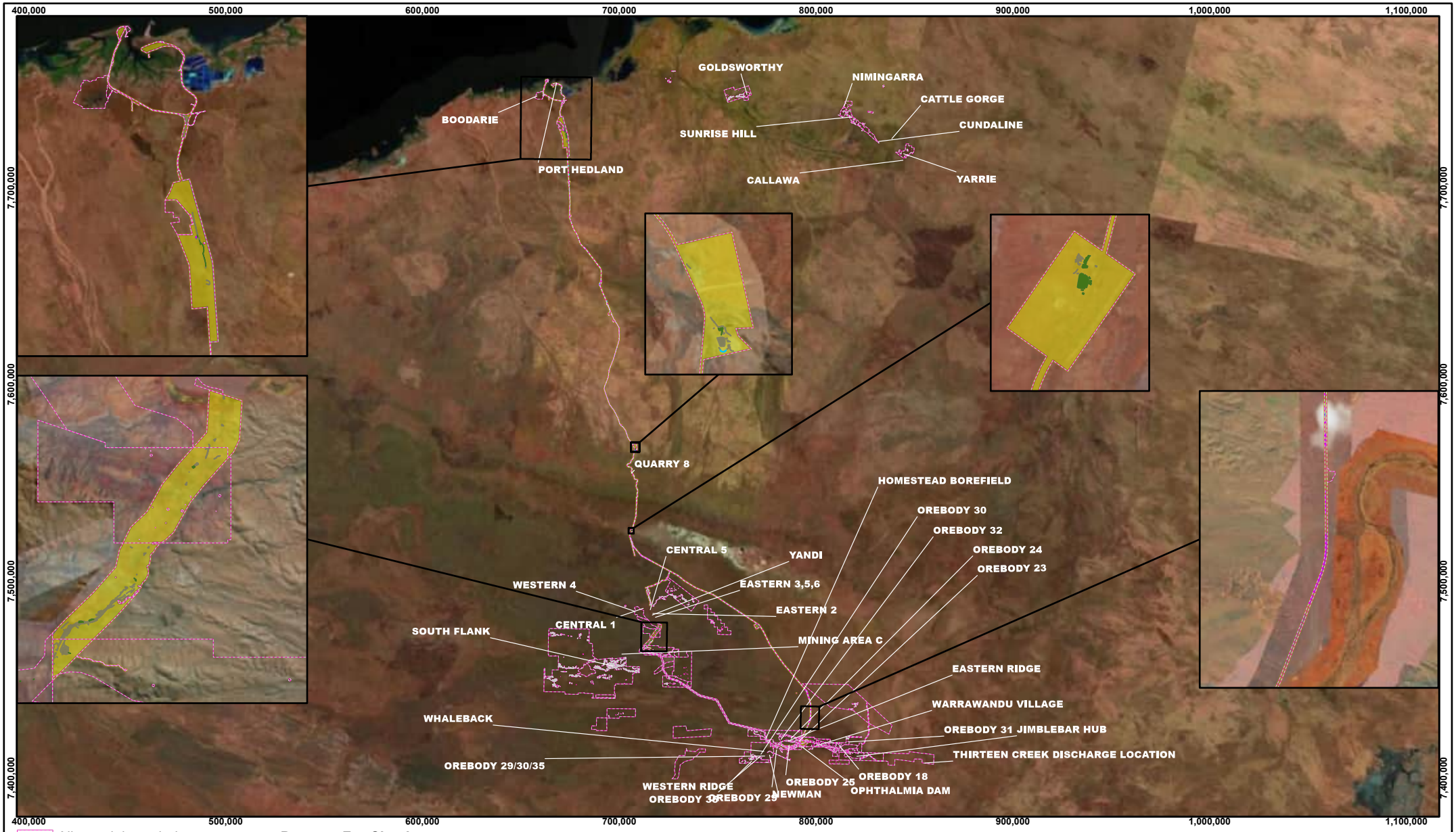
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Purpose For Clearing

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FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
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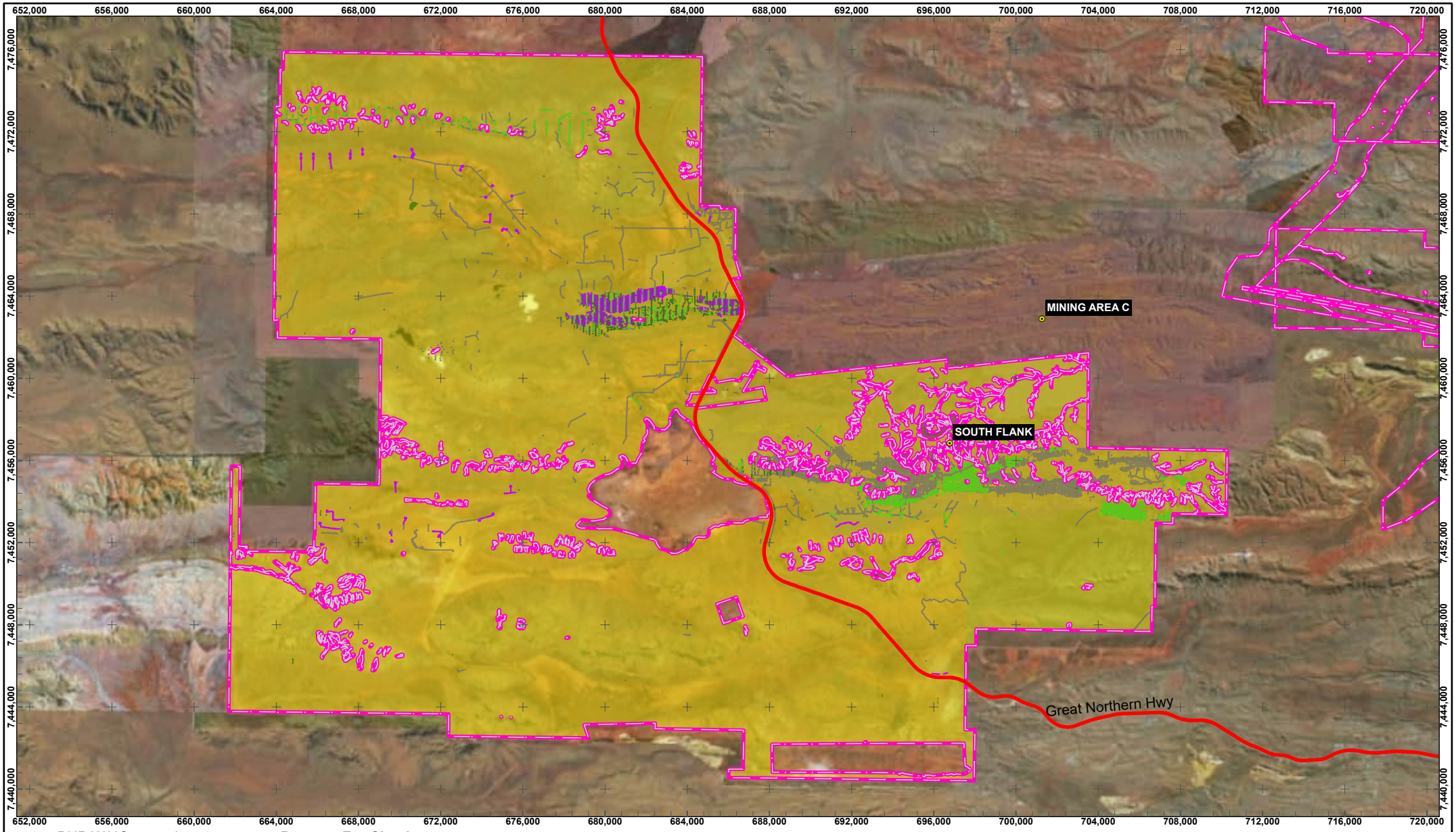
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All permit boundaries
Selected permit boundary FY26
FY 2026 Rehabilitation
Baseline Rehabilitation
Baseline Footprint

Purpose For Clearing

FY 2026 Mining void
FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
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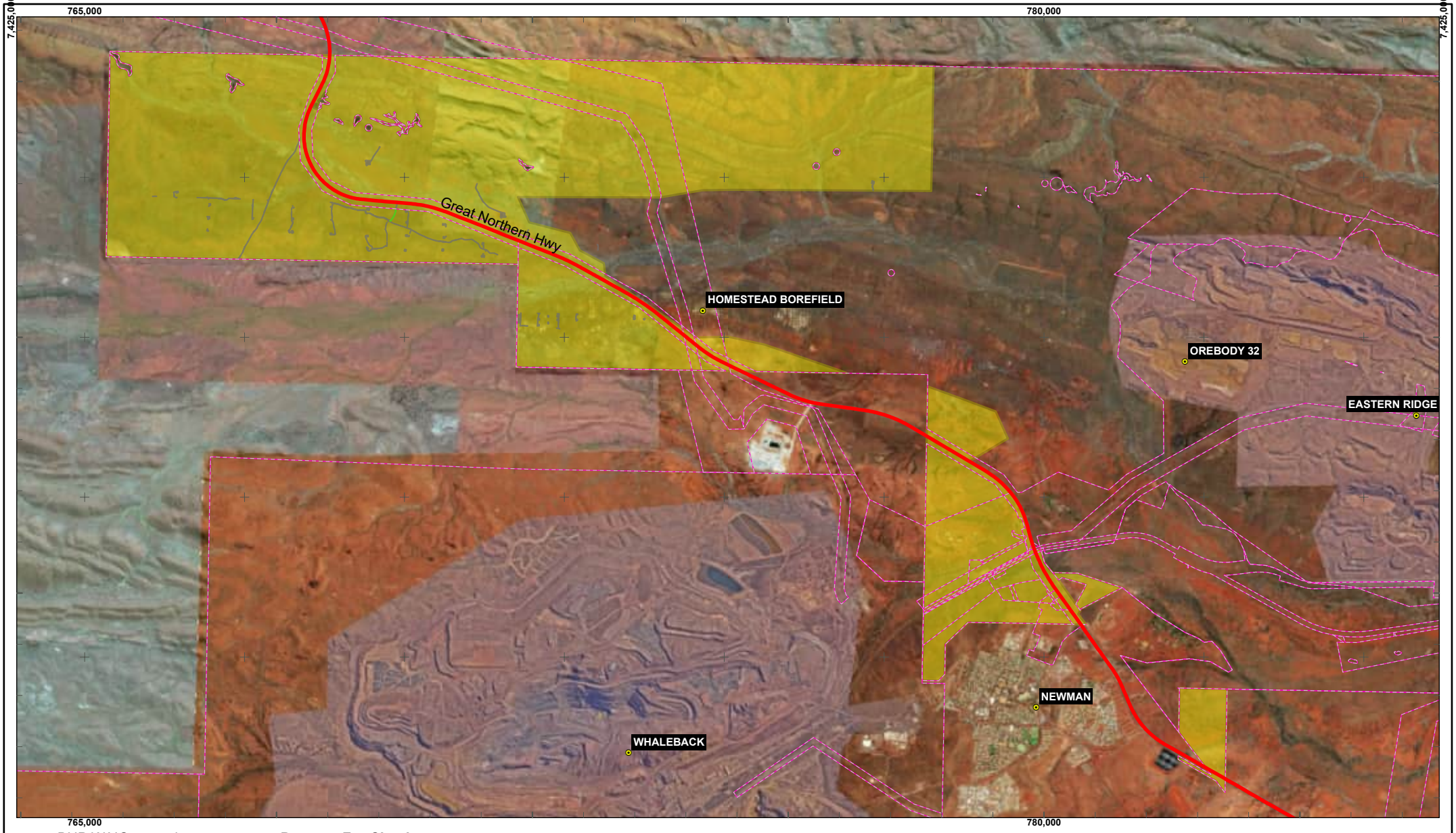
7139/4 - Central Pilbara

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Purpose For Clearing

- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Other

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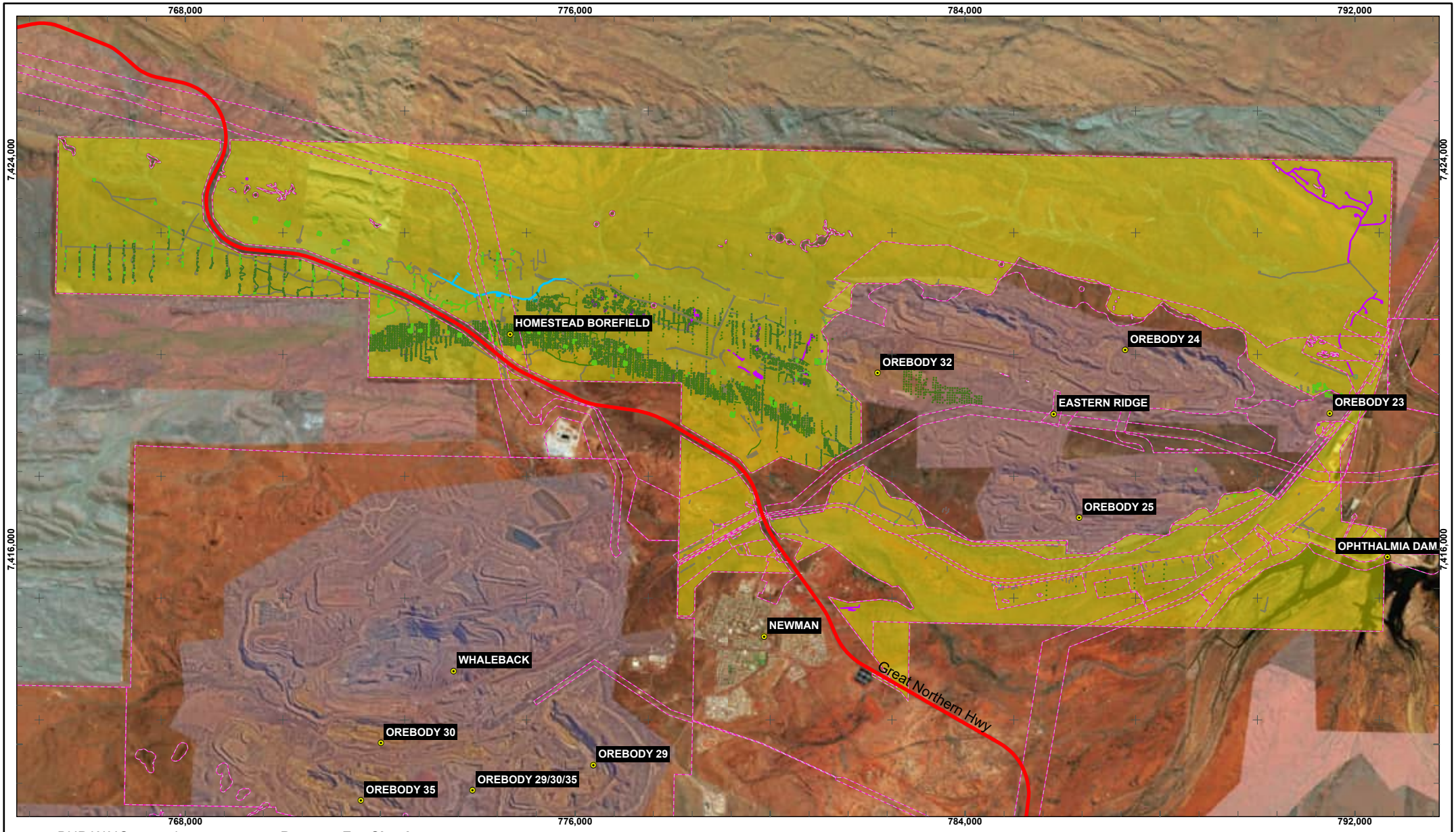
7272/1 - Nimingarra

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FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
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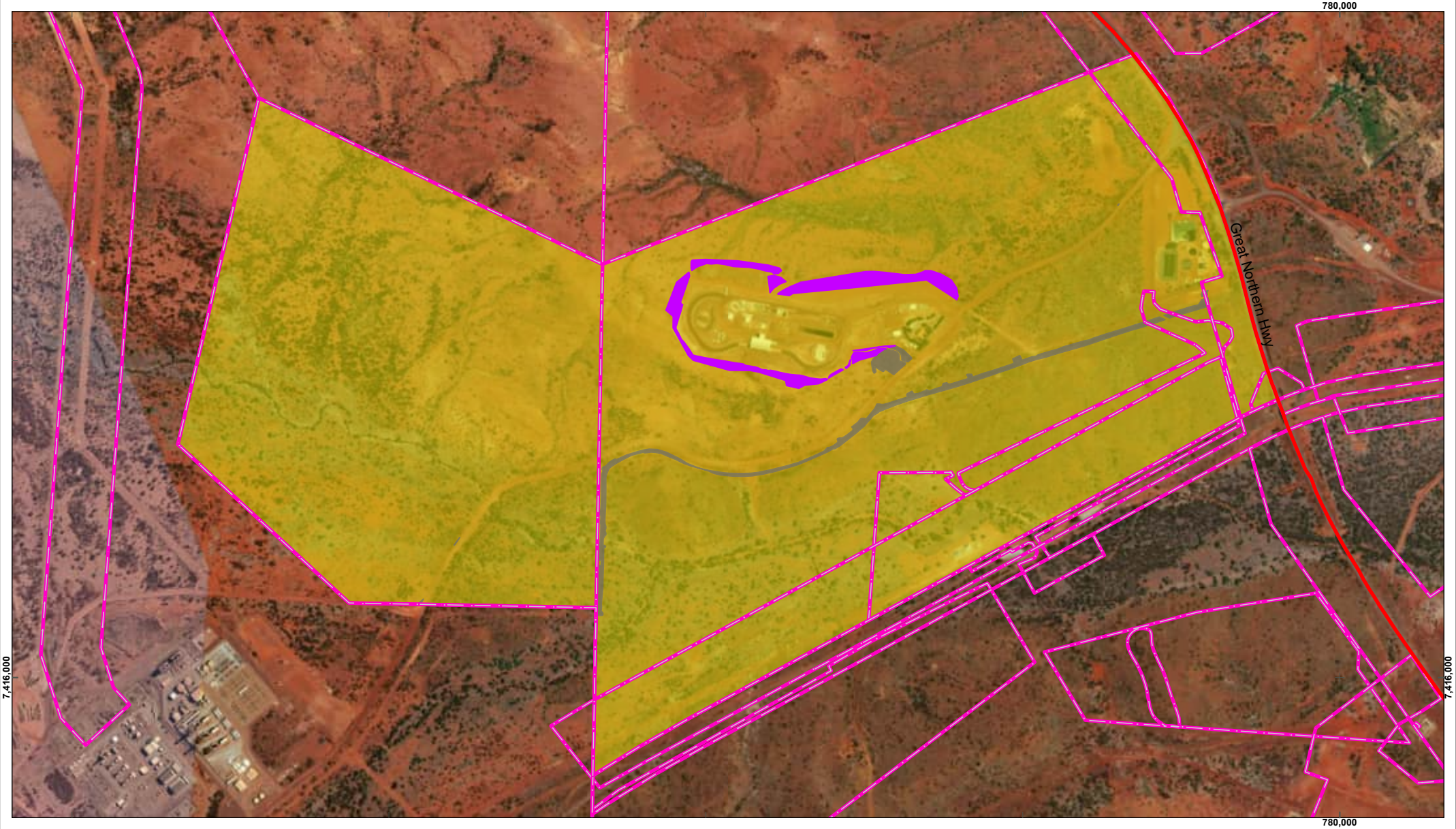
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- Highway
- All permit boundaries
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Purpose For Clearing

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- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
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- FY 2026 Other

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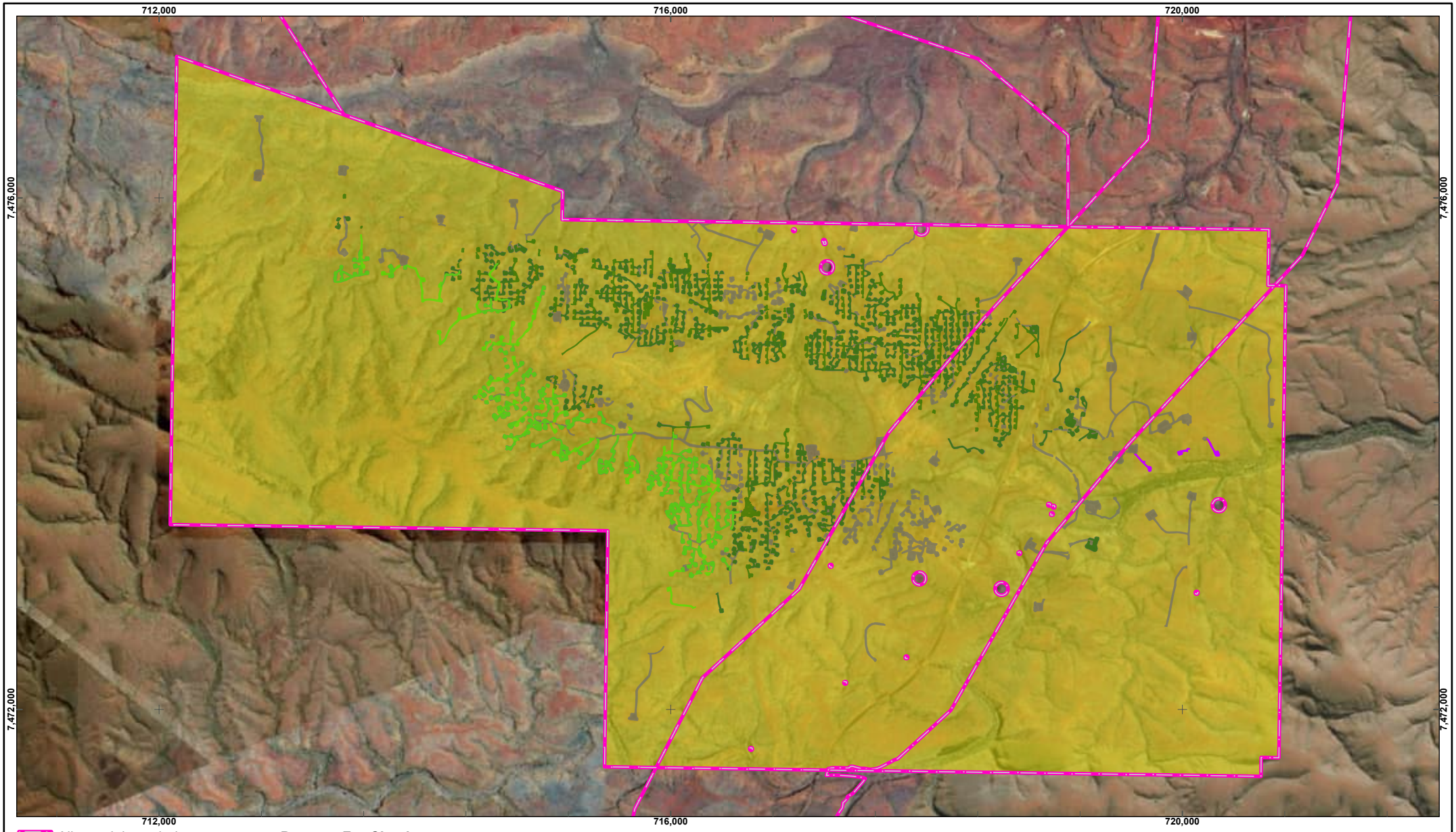
7525/2 - Whaleback

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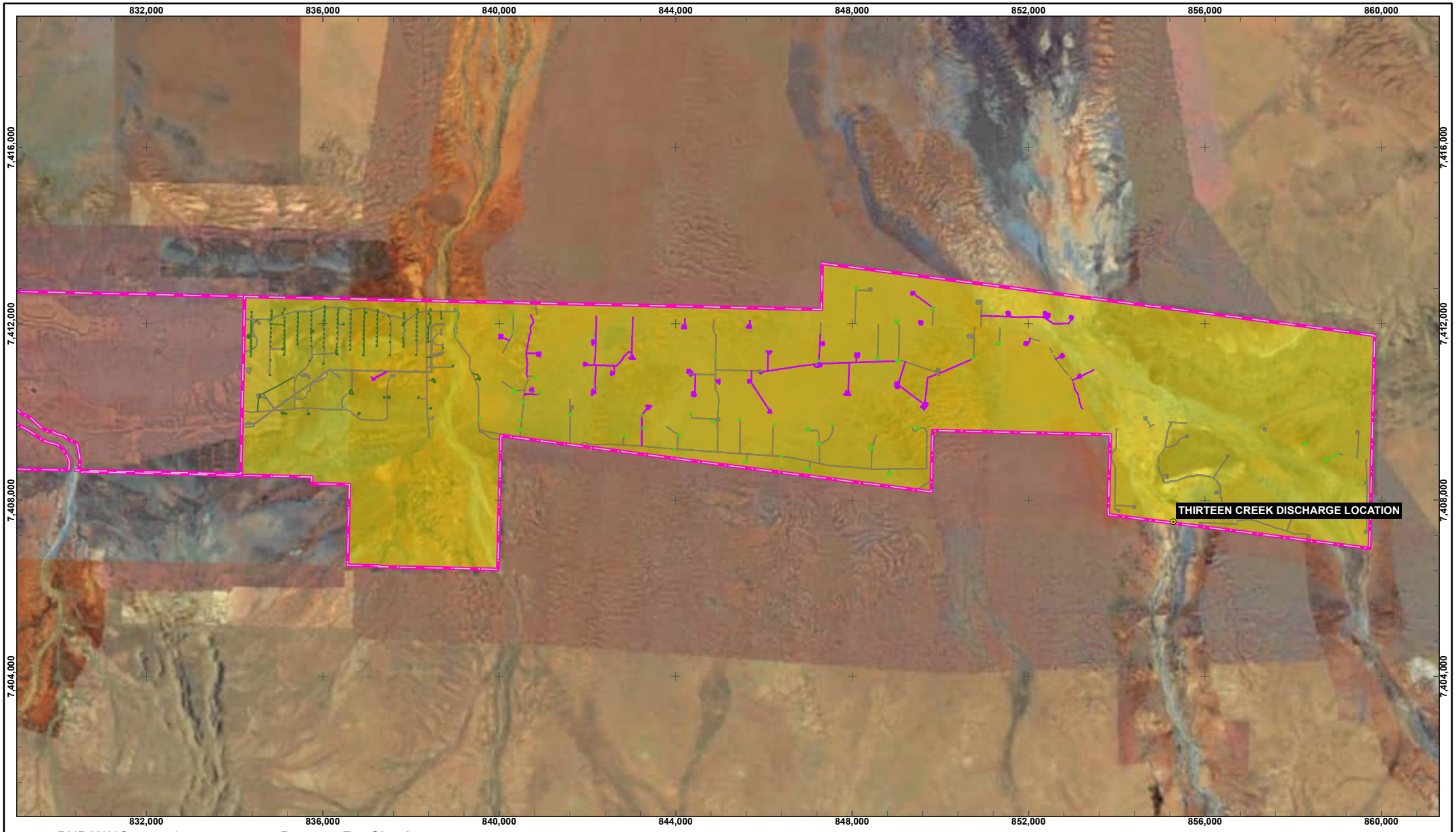
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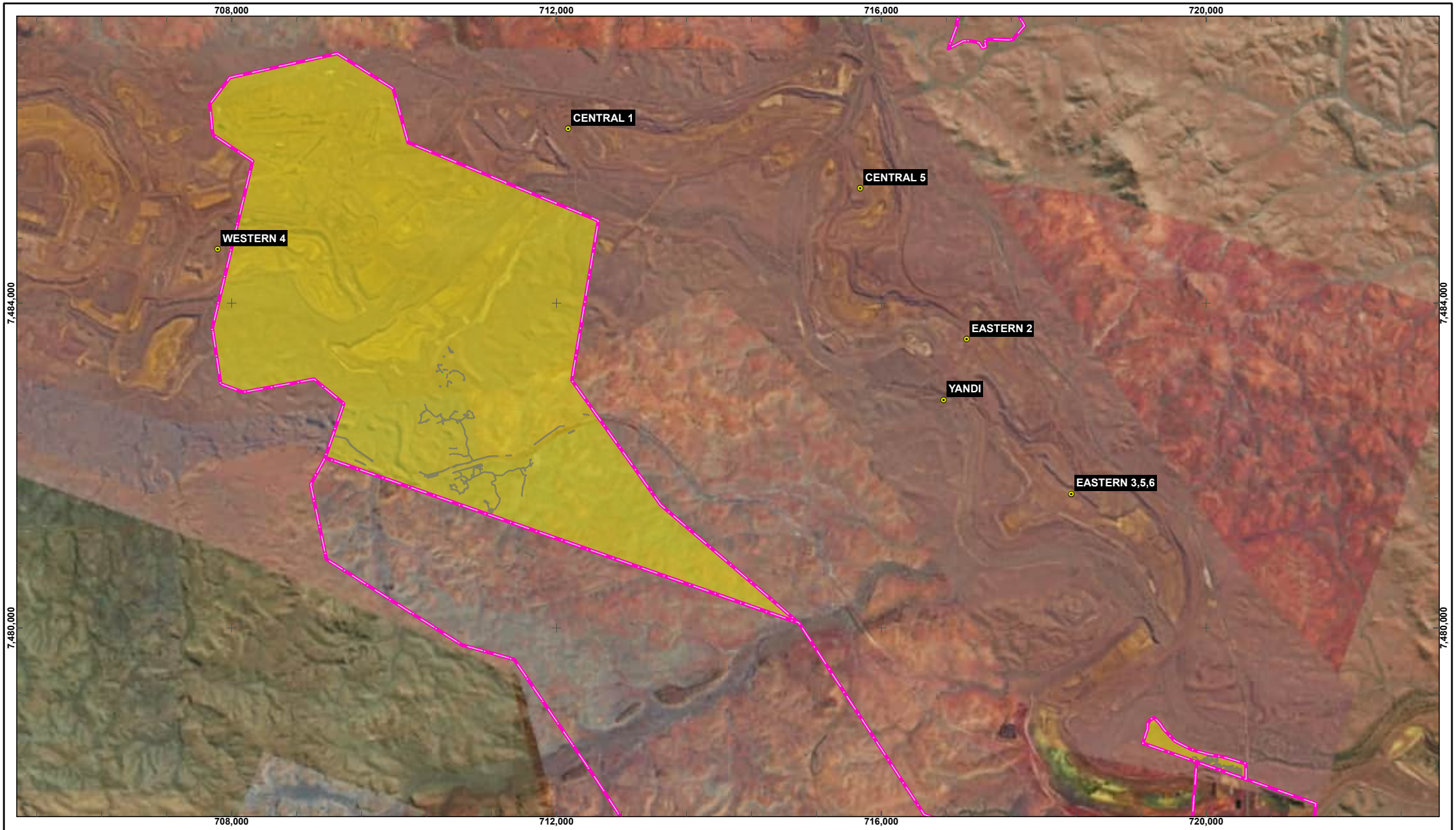
8123/2 - Caramulla

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- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
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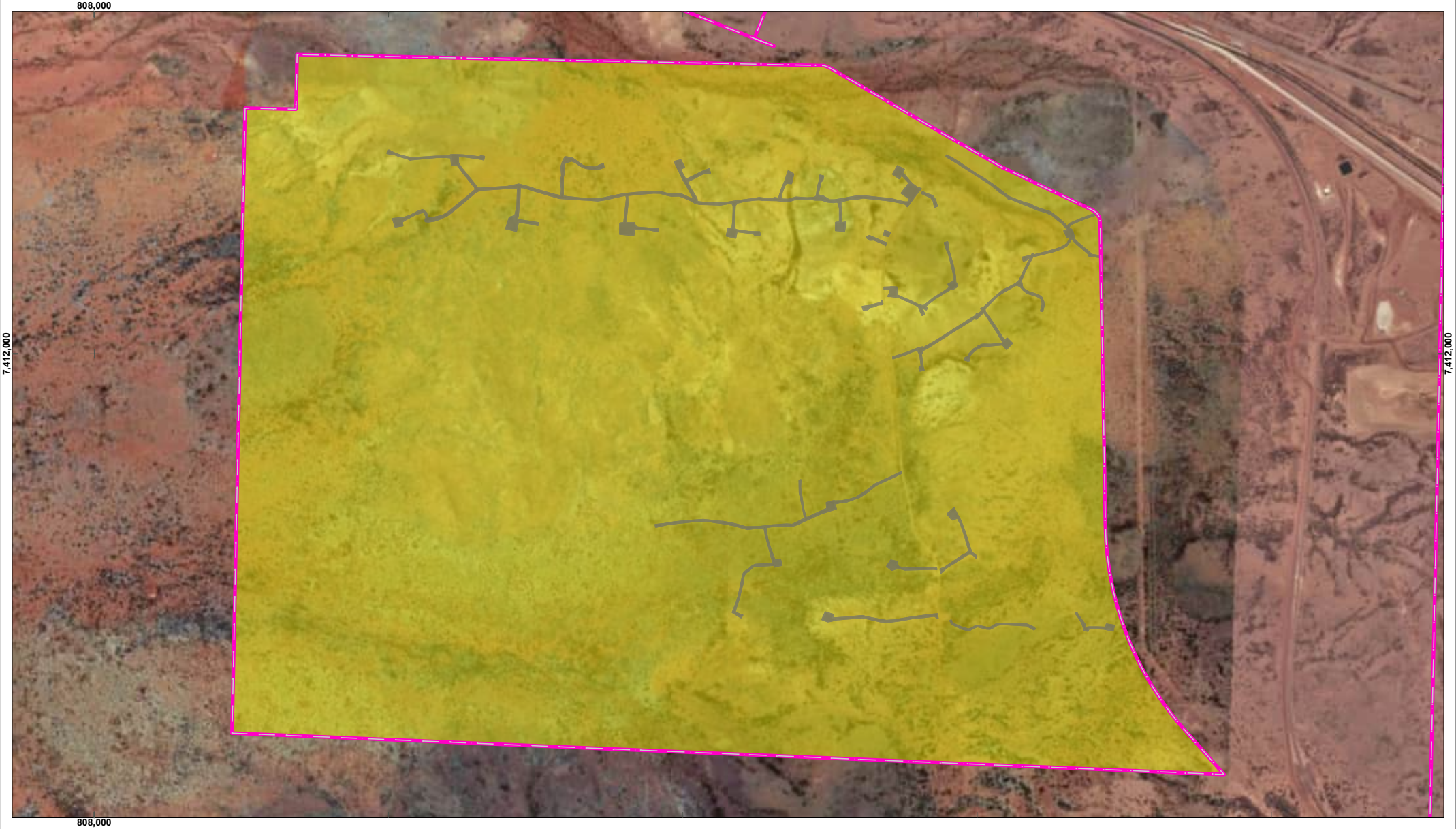
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N

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KILOMETRES

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NATIVE VEGETATION CLEARING PERMIT NO:

9178/3 - Jimblebar

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5.2.3 Weed Management

When undertaking clearing and other activities authorised under NVCPs, BHP minimises the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds by:

- cleaning all earth moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- ensuring no weed affected soil, mulch, fill or other potential weed affected material is brought into an exploration area;
- restricting the movement of machinery and other clearing equipment to the area being cleared.

Details of machinery inspections and cleaning are documented via BHP Vehicle/Equipment Weed Hygiene Certificate. These are completed prior to any ground engaging equipment entering an operational or exploration area.

The spread of weeds as a result of clearing activities is assessed when an environmental specialist is engaged to determine the species composition, structure and density of the areas revegetated and rehabilitated in line with NVCP conditions.

5.2.4 Flora Management

BHP ensures that prior to undertaking any ground disturbance activities the proposed disturbance areas are reviewed by an environmental specialist to ensure that the area has been adequately surveyed to identify the presence of priority flora and of rare flora listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice 2017*.

All identified priority and rare taxa are recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS). Where required by individual permit conditions, BHP activities are modified to ensure that clearing does not occur within the distance specified for any priority and rare taxa. As required to support environmental assessments under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, records of rare or priority flora are submitted to DMPE, EPA and DWER through the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments (IBSA) submission portal.

5.2.5 Fauna Management

BHP ensures that prior to undertaking any ground disturbance activities the proposed disturbance areas are reviewed by an environmental specialist to ensure that the area has been adequately surveyed to identify the presence of conservation significant fauna.

All BHP activities are modified to ensure that clearing does not occur within the distance specified within the Vegetation Clearing Permits and/or their applications for any significant fauna species, or significant fauna habitat areas. All disturbance has been completed in accordance with internal procedures and guidelines and in accordance with permit conditions.

5.2.6 Watercourse Management

During the GLUP process, the activities are reviewed to ensure no riparian vegetation within or adjacent to watercourses is cleared unless it is undertaken in accordance with the permit conditions. Where practicable, clearing riparian vegetation is avoided and where a watercourse is to be impacted by clearing, the existing surface flow is maintained. Where required, Beds and Banks Permits are obtained through DWER.

BHP maintains a spatial database which includes the topographic information of water courses in the Pilbara including but not limited to:

- Ophthalmia Dam;
- Fortescue River;
- Homestead Creek;
- Shovelanna Creek;
- Warrawandu Creek.

As identified through assessment with BHP environmental standards and permit conditions, BHP implements surface water management and erosion control measures to minimise potential erosion and sedimentation within the areas approved to clear and adjacent areas.

5.2.7 Record Keeping

BHP maintains the following records for activities done pursuant to NVCPs.

Where required by the NVCP in relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this permit:

- the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Nothings or decimal degrees;
- the date that the area was cleared;
- the size of the area cleared (in ha);
- purpose for which clearing was undertaken.

Where required by the NVCP in relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation conditions the following records are captured and retained for each permit:

- the location of any areas revegetated and rehabilitated, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Nothings;
- a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken;

- the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in ha).

Where required by the NVCP in relation to flora management the following records are captured and retained for each permit:

- the location of each priority flora species cleared using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;
- the species name of each priority flora species cleared;
- the number of individuals of each priority flora species cleared.

In the event that all information has been provided as part of the Annual Environmental Report (AER) BHP will submit a letter referencing the AER in which the information was provided.

5.2.8 Reporting

As required by the NVCP

- BHP will submit a report to the CEO by 1 October each year for the life of the NVCP, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of the NVCP, and providing the records as required under the permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.
- Where no clearing was undertaken between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year, a written report confirming that no clearing under this permit has been carried out, must be provided to the CEO by 1 October of each year (see Table 5-1).
- At the expiry date of the permit BHP will provide to the CEO a written report of records required by the permit.

5.3 NVCP – Non-standard Conditions

The following table lists all NVCPs containing non-standard conditions and provides BHPs response regarding compliance with those conditions. Compliance reporting has been undertaken only for NVCPs where clearing or rehabilitation activities were conducted during the reporting period, as no assessment was required for sites where no such activities occurred.

As outlined in Section 5.1.1 compliance is supported using BHPs internal long-established electronic GLUP process.

Table 5-5 Non-standard conditions

Approval Number	Name	Obligation Text	FY2026 update
2104/2	Ord Ridley Exploration	9. Watercourses The permit holder shall not clear native vegetation within 50 meters of a watercourse if the watercourse is flowing.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
2160/4	Ninga	8. Flora Management (a) Where priority flora have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within report 'Application to Amend NVCP CPS 2160/3 Ninga – Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Amendment Application Supporting Document, August 2023' as retained on Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File No. A2004/201601 as Object ID A69051574, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO. (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora identified within report 'Application to Amend NVCP CPS 2160/3 Ninga – Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Amendment Application Supporting Document, August 2023' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period.
2161/7	South Jimblebar Project	9. Flora Management Where priority flora has been identified within the report 'Hashimoto Exploration Project Biological Survey: Flora and Vegetation, 3 March 2007' as retained on DMIRS file A1647/200701, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority Flora identified within report 'Hashimoto Exploration Project Biological Survey: Flora and Vegetation, 3 March 2007' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period.
3215/4	South Parmelia Exploration	4. Clearing Restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the purpose of creating access tracks.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
3215/4	South Parmelia Exploration	10. Flora management Where priority flora have been identified and their location(s) provided to the CEO, within the file titled 'Priority Flora CPS 3215/4', as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number A2016/201601 as Object Id A83624031, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora identified within report 'Priority Flora CPS 3215/4' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
3547/5	Jimblebar No.2 Spur Project	4. Clearing not authorised The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation unless the purpose for which clearing is authorised is enacted within 3 months of the authorised clearing being undertaken.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred during the reporting period.
4094/4	Eastern Packsaddle Exploration	8. Flora Management Where threatened or priority flora have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO within the following reports: (i) "Onshore Environmental (2011) Flora and Vegetation Survey - Area C and Surrounds. Prepared for BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd, by Onshore Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd, July 2011", as retained on Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File No. A2023/201601 as Doc ID 7784095; and	All threatened or priority flora identified within the reports 'Onshore Environmental (2011) Flora and Vegetation Survey - Area C and Surrounds. Prepared for BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd, by Onshore Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd, July 2011' and 'Onshore Environmental (2012) Flora and Vegetation Review Jinidi Iron Ore Project. BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd, By Onshore Environmental Consultants

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		(ii) "Onshore Environmental (2012) Flora and Vegetation Review Jinidi Iron Ore Project. BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd, By Onshore Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd, July 2012" as retained on the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety file No. A2023/201601 as Doc ID 7896801. The Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of threatened flora, unless first approved by the CEO; (b) no clearing of priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (c) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of priority flora, unless first approved by the CEO.	Pty Ltd, July 2012' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer for priority flora and a 50m buffer for threatened flora and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified threatened or priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
4468/4	Jinidi Exploration Project	4. Clearing Restricted The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, unless for the purpose of undertaking rehabilitation activities as required under Condition 12.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 outside of the exception for undertaking rehabilitation activities as required under Condition 12 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
4468/4	Jinidi Exploration Project	10. Flora Management Where the priority flora species *Grevillea saxicola* and *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* (M.E. Trudgen 12739) have been identified and their written locations, provided to the CEO, within the report 'Application to Amend NVCP CPS 4468/3 Jinidi Exploration - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Amendment Application Supporting Document', as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number A2032/201601 as Object Id A78367303, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of the identified *Grevillea saxicola* or *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* (M.E. Trudgen 12739) occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Grevillea saxicola* or *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* (M.E. Trudgen 12739), unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora species *Grevillea saxicola* and *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* identified within the report 'Application to Amend NVCP CPS 4468/3 Jinidi Exploration - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Amendment Application Supporting Document' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer for priority flora and a 50m buffer for threatened flora and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified threatened or priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
4468/4	Jinidi Exploration Project	11. Fauna Management (Western pebble-mound mouse) Where the Western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) active mounds have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the file 'CPS 4468/1 – BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd - Western pebble-mound mouse active mounds', as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number A2032/201601 as Object Id A88222960, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of the identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO, unless for the purpose of undertaking rehabilitation activities as required under Condition 12.	All active Western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds identified within the file 'CPS 4468/1 – BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd - Western pebble-mound mouse active mounds' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of identified active mounds occurred during the reporting period. No clearing within the identified fauna areas occurred during the reporting period.
4469/3	Gurinbiddy	5. Clearing Restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation for the purpose of clearing tracks for biological surveys within the areas shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1. during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
4676/3	Jinidi Village Substation	7. Clearing not authorised This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation within 50 metres of Weeli Wolli Creek or Coondiner Creek within the area shaded yellow on Plan 4676/3.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded yellow on Plan 4676/3. during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
4676/3	Jinidi Village Substation	8. Flora Management Where *Euphorbia australis var. glabra* have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the report 'Newman to Yandi Transmission Line Flora and Vegetation Assessment, 18 November 2009', the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) No clearing of identified Euphorbia australis var. glabra occurs, unless approved by the CEO. (ii) No clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Euphorbia australis var. glabra*, unless approved by the CEO.	All flora species *Euphorbia australis* var. *glabra* identified within the report 'Newman to Yandi Transmission Line Flora and Vegetation Assessment, 18 November 2009' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.

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4676/3	Jinidi Village Substation	9. Fauna management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to identify habitat suitable for: (i) *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens; (ii) *Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Orange Leaf-nosed Bat) roost caves and adits; and (iii) *Macroderma gigas* (Ghost Bat) roost caves. (b) Prior to undertaking any clearing within or within 50 metres of habitat considered suitable for dens or roosts as identified in relation to Condition 9(a) of this Permit, the areas shall be inspected by a fauna specialist for the presence of *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens, *Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Orange Leaf-nosed Bat) roost caves and adits or *Macroderma gigas* (Ghost Bat) roost caves. (c) Where *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens, *Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Orange Leaf-nosed Bat) roost caves and adits or *Macroderma gigas* (Ghost Bat) roost caves are identified in relation to Condition 9(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens, *Rhinonicteris aurantius* (Pilbara Orange Leaf-nosed Bat) roost caves and adits or *Macroderma gigas* (Ghost Bat) roost caves, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 4676/3 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
4677/6 from 24/03/2026 onwards	Orebody 31 Exploration Drilling Programme	4. Clearing restricted The permit holder shall not clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, unless for the purpose of access tracks.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 outside of the exception for access tracks during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
4677/6 from 24/03/2026 onwards	Orebody 31 Exploration Drilling Programme	10. Fauna management – mulgara (a) Within 14 days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys for mulgara (Dasycercus species). (b) Where mulgara burrow/s are identified under condition 10(a), the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to determine if the burrow is occupied. (c) Where active burrows are identified in relation to condition 10(a), the permit holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active mulgara burrow/s, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 4677/6 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
4677/6 from 24/03/2026 onwards	Orebody 31 Exploration Drilling Programme	11. Fauna management – western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) (a) Within 14 days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the area shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a fauna spotter to undertake clearance surveys for western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*). (b) Where western pebble-mound mouse mound/s are identified under condition 11(a), the permit holder shall engage a fauna spotter to determine if the mound is occupied. (c) Where active mounds are identified in relation to condition 11(a), the permit holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active western pebble-mound mouse mound/s, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 4677/6 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
4756/2	Jinidi Iron Ore Mine	7. Vegetation Management The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the area shaded red on attached Plan 4756/2, for the purpose of access tracks.	No riparian vegetation was cleared within the restricted area during the reporting period as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
4875/4	Wheelarra Hill North Drilling Project	8. Flora Management Where priority flora have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the report 'Orebody 31 - Targeted Significant Flora Survey. Unpublished report prepared for BHP Pty Ltd by Onshore Environmental, June 2014' as retained on DMIRS file A2067/20160 as Doc ID 9484707, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* occurs; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Triodia sp. Mt Ella*, unless approved by the CEO.	All priority *Triodia sp. Mt Ella* flora species identified within the report 'Orebody 31 - Targeted Significant Flora Survey. Unpublished report prepared for BHP Pty Ltd by Onshore Environmental, June 2014' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.

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4875/4	Wheelarra Hill North Drilling Project	9. Fauna Management (a) Within one month prior to undertaking any clearing within the areas cross-hatched red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to inspect the areas to be cleared to identify the following critical habitat for fauna: (i) *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows. (b) Where active burrows are identified in relation to Condition 9(a) of the Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	3.45ha of critical habitat for Brush-tailed Mulgara was cleared in November and December 2025 due to emergency fire risk and fire break requirements adjacent to the Jimblebar ANFO facility (explosives storage) as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No surveys were undertaken as clearing for emergency firebreaks is considered an exemption to the permit conditions.
5045/2	Goldsworthy Project	8. Flora Management Where *Euphorbia clementii* have been identified and their written location provided to the CEO, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of *Euphorbia clementii* occurs; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of *Euphorbia clementii*, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
5105/3	Jinidi Iron Ore Mine (Newman to MAC Powerline)	7. Vegetation Management (a) The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 2 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded purple on attached Plan 5105/3B. (b) The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 1 hectare of native vegetation within the area shaded green on attached Plan 5105/3D.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the areas shaded purple on attached Plan 5105/3B and [y] ha of clearing occurred in the area shaded green on attached Plan 5105/3D during the reporting period. See the spatial data provided as part of this AER,.
5433/2	Orebodies 42 and 43	8. Clearing not authorised The Permit Holder shall not clear riparian vegetation within or adjacent to the following watercourses: (i) Ophthalmia Dam; (ii) Fortescue River; (iii) Shovelanna Creek; (iv) Homestead Creek; and (v) Warrawanda Creek. Except for the purpose of access tracks or otherwise approved by the CEO.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the restricted area during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
5433/2 up to 16/12/2025	Orebodies 42 and 43	10. Flora Management Where priority flora have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs, unless approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless approved by the CEO.	All priority flora identified were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5433/2 in this reporting period.
5433/2 up to 16/12/2025	Orebodies 42 and 43	11. Fauna Management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the area(s) shall be inspected by a fauna specialist for the presence of *Pseudomys chapmani* (Western pebble-mound Mouse) mounds. (b) Where Western pebble-mound Mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds are identified in relation to condition 11(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified Western pebble-mound Mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5433/2 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
5572/2 up to 16/12/2025	Old Goldsworthy Project	9. Fauna Management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to identify habitat suitable for: (i) *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby) burrows; and (ii) *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows. (b) Prior to clearing any habitat identified by condition 9(a), the areas shall be inspected by a fauna specialist for the presence of active burrows listed under condition 9(a).	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5572/2 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.

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		(c) Where active burrows are identified in relation to Condition 9(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified active burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	
5572/3 from 17/12/2025 onwards	Goldsworthy Mining Operations	4. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the purpose of closure activities.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
5572/3 from 17/12/2025 onwards	Goldsworthy Mining Operations	10. Flora management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the locations of recorded conservation significant flora within the areas cross-hatched yellow and shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, must be demarcated and avoided with a minimum 10 metre buffer, where practicable. (b) Where recorded conservation significant flora cannot be avoided under Condition 10(a), the permit holder may clear recorded conservation significant flora only for the purpose of closure activities.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5572/3 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys were conducted.
5572/3 from 17/12/2025 onwards	Goldsworthy Mining Operations	11. Fauna management – greater bilby and brush-tailed mulgara (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to identify habitat suitable for: (i) *Macrotis lagotis* (greater bilby) burrows; and (ii) *Dasycercus blythi* (brush-tailed mulgara) burrows. (b) Within two weeks prior to clearing any habitat identified in relation to Condition 11(a), the areas shall be inspected by a fauna specialist for the presence of active burrows listed under Condition 11(a). (c) Where active burrows are identified in relation to Condition 11(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified active burrows.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5572/3 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
5572/3 from 17/12/2025 onwards	Goldsworthy Mining Operations	12. Fauna management – western pebble-mound mouse Where active western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds have been identified and their locations provided to the CEO within the report as retained on DMPE file A0767/201301: 'Mt Goldsworthy on-tenure targeted significant vertebrate fauna survey. Prepared for BHP WAIO, by Biota Environmental Services, October 2025' as Object ID A100212018, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of active western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of active western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds unless first approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 5572/3 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
5617/6	Mount Whaleback Project	8. Watercourse Management Where the area shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 is to be impacted by clearing, the Permit Holder shall maintain the existing surface flow of Whaleback Creek	The existing surface flow was maintained. No evidence of water pooling or diversion deduced from land disturbance inspections.
5617/6	Mount Whaleback Project	10. Retain vegetative material and topsoil, revegetation and rehabilitation The Permit Holder shall: (a) prior to 5 October 2023, revegetate and rehabilitate 10 hectares of temporary works previously cleared within the area crossed-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 by: (i) laying vegetative material and topsoil previously retained within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 on the cleared areas; and (ii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction. (b) within 4 years of undertaking revegetation and rehabilitation in accordance with Condition 10(a) of this Permit: (i) engage an environmental specialist to determine the species composition, structure and density of the area revegetated and rehabilitated; and (ii) where, in the opinion of an environmental specialist, the composition structure and density determined under Condition 10(b)(i) of this Permit will not result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, revegetate the area by	(a) Previously cleared areas within the crossed-hatched yellow area in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 were rehabilitated (June 2023). (b) Rehabilitation monitoring will be reported within 4 years under this NVCP. In addition, long term monitoring is also undertaken for Mount Whaleback and reported in Section 7. (c) Additional planting/direct seeding was determined not to be required (d) This determination was submitted to the CEO for consideration via previous Annual Environmental Reports (for more information see section 5.2.2 and Section 7.3.7).

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		deliberately planting and/or direct seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area and ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material are used. (c) where additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation is undertaken in accordance with Condition 10(b)(ii) of this permit, the Permit Holder shall repeat Condition 10(b)(i) and 10(b)(ii) within 24 months of undertaking the additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation. (d) where a determination by an environmental specialist that the composition, structure and density within areas revegetated and rehabilitated will result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, as determined in Condition 10(b)(i) and(ii) of this permit, that determination shall be submitted for the CEO's consideration. If the CEO does not agree with the determination made under Condition 10(b)(ii), the CEO may require the Permit Holder to undertake additional planting and direct seeding in accordance with the requirements under Condition 10(b)(ii).	
5925/3	Prairie Downs Exploration Project	9. Flora Management. Where priority flora and *Aristida aff. nitidula* (Onshore PD53.03) have been identified and their written location(s), provided to the CEO, within reports 'Biological Survey Prairie Downs Exploration Leases, July 2010, Revision Number 3' and 'Prairie Downs Access Track Level 1 Flora and Vegetation Survey, December 2015, Revision Number 3', the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified priority flora and *Aristida aff. nitidula* (Onshore PD53.03) occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and; (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora and *Aristida aff. nitidula* (Onshore PD53.03) unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora and *Aristida aff. nitidula* identified within the reports 'Biological Survey Prairie Downs Exploration Leases, July 2010, Revision Number 3' and 'Prairie Downs Access Track Level 1 Flora and Vegetation Survey, December 2015, Revision Number 3' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer for priority flora and a 50m buffer for threatened flora and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
5925/3	Prairie Downs Exploration Project	10. Watercourse Management. (a) Where practicable the Permit Holder shall avoid clearing riparian vegetation within the area shaded red; (b) The Permit Holder shall only clear vegetation within the area shaded red for the purpose of access roads; and (c) Where the area shaded red is to be impacted by clearing, the Permit Holder shall maintain the existing surface flow.	No riparian vegetation was cleared within the restricted area during the reporting period as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
5990/2	OB21 and OB22 Exploration	5. Clearing Restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the purpose of access roads.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
5990/2	OB21 and OB22 Exploration	12. Flora Management Where the flora species *Hibiscus aff. campanulatus* have been identified and their written locations, provided to the CEO, within the report 'East Ophthalmia and Ninga Detailed Flora & Vegetation Survey, dated 4 May 2023', the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Hibiscus aff. campanulatus*, unless first approved by the CEO; (ii) no clearing of identified *Hibiscus aff. campanulatus* occurs, unless first approved by the CEO.	All flora species *Hibiscus* aff. *campanulatus* identified within the report 'East Ophthalmia and Ninga Detailed Flora & Vegetation Survey, dated 4 May 2023' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
6141/2	Ophthalmia Exploration	8. Flora Management Where priority flora have been identified and their written locations, provided to the CEO, within report 'Ophthalmia Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Assessment, October 2010' as retained on DEMIRS file A1161/201401, Object ID A73452125, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of the identified priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing within 10 metres of the identified priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority fauna identified within report 'Ophthalmia Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Assessment, October 2010' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.

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6141/2	Ophthalmia Exploration	9. Flora management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the area to be cleared for the presence of threatened flora listed in the Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice and priority flora. (b) Where threatened flora and priority flora are identified under Condition 9(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified threatened flora unless first approved by the CEO; (ii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and (iii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora unless first approved by the CEO. (c) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO. (d) If threatened flora or priority flora are identified within the Permit Area, the targeted flora survey report must include the following; (i) the location of each threatened flora or priority flora, either as the location of individual plants, or where this is not practical, the areal extent of the population and an estimate of the number of plants, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA20), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the species name of each threatened flora or priority flora identified; and (iii) the methodology, used to survey the Permit Area. (e) For the purpose of this Permit, a targeted flora survey conducted within five years preceding the clearing will satisfy Condition 9(a).	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 6141/2 in this reporting period and therefore, no targeted flora surveys were conducted.
6450/2	Nimingarra to Yarrie Strategic Exploration Project	8. Clearing not authorised The Permit Holder shall not clear riparian vegetation within or adjacent to Eel Creek, Egg Creek and Coonjeena Creek except for the purpose of access tracks or rehabilitation of previously disturbed areas unless otherwise approved by the CEO.	No clearing for the purpose of access tracks or rehabilitation of previously disturbed areas was undertaking in this reporting period.
6671/2	Mindy Project	9. Flora management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the Permit Area for the presence of threatened flora listed in the Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice and priority flora in accordance with EPA Technical Guidance. (b) Where threatened flora or priority flora are identified in relation to Condition 9(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO; (ii) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified threatened flora, unless approved by the CEO; and (iii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs and no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 6671/2 in this reporting period and therefore, no targeted flora surveys were conducted.
7009/3 up to 26/11/2025	Newman Mainline Project	5. Clearing Not Authorised The Permit Holder shall not clear any native vegetation within the area shaded red on attached Plans 7009/3A and 7009/3H for the purpose of borrow pits.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red on attached Plans 7009/3A and 7009/3H during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/3 up to 26/11/2025	Newman Mainline Project	6. Restricted Clearing The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the area shaded pink on attached Plans 7009/3A, 7009/3B and 7009/3C for the following purposes: (a) maintenance of the existing rail formation; and (b) installation and maintenance of the wind fence.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded pink on attached Plans 7009/3A, 7009/3B and 7009/3C during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/3 up to 26/11/2025	Newman Mainline Project	11. Erosion Management	Erosion control measures were implemented through a GLUP condition. This condition is standard across GLUP

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		The Permit Holder shall implement erosion control measures to minimise potential erosion within the areas approved to clear and adjacent areas.	projects within this approval boundary. The condition states 'As per Condition 11 in the NVCP regarding erosion, controls are to be put in place to ensure no erosion to the surrounding areas because of this work. Structures such as rip rap are to be applied as required. If it is identified that the erosion prevention is not adequate, it is to be rectified to prevent further environmental impact.'
7009/3 up to 26/11/2025	Newman Mainline Project	12. Flora Management Where the priority flora species *Heliotropium muticum* and *Tephrosia rosea var. Port Hedland* have been identified and their written location(s), provided to the CEO, within the report 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd L1650(2016) Application for a Strategic NVCP for the Newman mainline - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document, March 2016', the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) No more than 56 individual plants of identified *Heliotropium muticum* are cleared; and (ii) No more than 324 individual plants of identified *Tephrosia rosea var. Port Hedland* are cleared	All priority flora species *Heliotropium muticum* and Tephrosia rosea var. Port Hedland identified within the report 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd L1650(2016) Application for a Strategic NVCP for the Newman mainline - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document, March 2016' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. During the reporting period zero individual plants of identified *Heliotropium muticum* were cleared. The total number of removed *Heliotropium muticum* plants is zero. Zero individual plants of identified *Tephrosia rosea* var. Port Hedland were cleared. The total number of removed *Tephrosia rosea* var. Port Hedland is zero.
7009/3 up to 26/11/2025	Newman Mainline Project	14. Environmental management plan (a) By 31 December 2019 the Permit Holder must submit a Management Plan to the CEO. (b) The Management Plan must include: (i) a plan for managing the impacts to Northern Quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*); (ii) a table setting out the Permit Holder's commitments to the Management Plan requirements; and (iii) a program for monitoring compliance with the Permit Holder's commitments. (c) The Management Plan must be approved by the CEO prior to being implemented. (d) The approved Management Plan must be implemented by the Permit Holder. (e) If it is necessary to modify the Management Plan, the Permit Holder must submit the modified plan to the CEO. (f) A modified Management Plan must not be implemented until approved by the CEO. (g) An approved modified Management Plan supersedes any previous Management Plans.	The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) (Northern Quoll Management Plan) was submitted to DEMIRS in January 2017 and implemented as specified in the EMP.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	5. Clearing restricted – Fortescue Marsh The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figures 1, 8 and 9 of Schedule 1, for the purpose of borrow pits.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figures 1, 8 and 9 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	6. Clearing restricted – mangrove The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded pink in Figures 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 1, for the following purposes: (a) maintenance of the existing rail formation; and (b) installation and maintenance of the wind fence.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded pink in Figures 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	12. Flora management – priority flora Where the priority flora species Tephrosia rosea var. Port Hedland have been identified and their written location(s), provided to the CEO, within the report 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd (2016) Application for a Strategic NVCP for the Newman mainline - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document, March 2016' as retained on Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration file number A0596/201601 as object ID A65981555, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no more than 324 individual plants of identified *Tephrosia rosea var. Port Hedland* are cleared.	All priority flora species *Tephrosia rosea* var. Port Hedland identified within report 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd (2016) Application for a Strategic NVCP for the Newman mainline - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document, March 2016' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. During the reporting period: Zero individual plants of identified *Tephrosia rosea* var. Port Hedland have been cleared.

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7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	13. Flora management – threatened flora (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the areas shaded green in Figures 1 and 9 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey for the presence of threatened flora species *Synostemon hamersleyensis* listed in the Biodiversity Conservation (Listing of Native Species) (Flora) Order. (b) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the areas shaded green in Figures 1 and 9 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO. (c) Where *Synostemon hamersleyensis* individuals are identified in relation to condition 13(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified *Synostemon hamersleyensis* occurs, unless in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (ii) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified *Synostemon hamersleyensis*.	No new clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded green in Figures 1, and 9 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	14. Northern Quoll Management Plan (a) By 30 May 2026, the Permit Holder must submit a Northern Quoll Management Plan to the CEO. (b) the Management Plan must include: (i) a plan for managing the impacts to Northern Quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*); (ii) a table setting out the Permit Holder's commitments to the Management Plan requirements; and (iii) a program for monitoring compliance with the Permit Holder's commitments. (c) the Management Plan must be approved by the CEO prior to being implemented. (d) the approved Management Plan must be implemented by the Permit Holder. (e) if it is necessary to modify the Management Plan, the Permit Holder must submit the modified plan to the CEO. (f) a modified Management Plan must not be implemented until approved by the CEO. (g) an approved modified Management Plan supersedes any previous Management Plans.	The Northern Quoll Management Plan was not submitted to DMPE by the due date.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	15. Fauna management – mulgara (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the areas shaded blue in Figures 1, 3-6, 9-11 and 13 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys for mulgara (Dasycercus species). (b) Where mulgara burrows are identified under condition 15(a), the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to determine if the burrow is occupied. (c) Where active burrows are identified in relation to condition 15(a) of the permit, the permit holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active mulgara burrows, unless approved by the CEO.	A clearance survey was conducted in accordance The field survey was completed by a fauna specialist with extensive experience undertaking vertebrate fauna surveys in the Pilbara region, including targeted sampling for the significant species of focus for this assessment. No active mulgara burrows were identified.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	16. Fauna management – western pebble-mound mouse (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the areas hatched red in Figures 1, 3-7, 9-11 and 13 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a fauna spotter to undertake clearance surveys for western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*). (b) Where western pebble-mouse mounds are identified under condition 16(a), the permit holder shall engage a fauna spotter to determine if the burrow is occupied. (c) Where active burrows are identified in relation to condition 16(a) of the permit, the permit holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active western pebble-mound mouse mounds, unless approved by the CEO.	No new clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded green in Figures 1, 3-7, 9-11 and 13 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7009/4 from 27/11/2025 onwards	Newman Mainline Project	17. Fauna management – greater bilby (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the areas shaded blue in Figures 1, 3-6, 9-11 and 13 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) undertake surveys using transects spaced at 100 metres on average to identify evidence of use by the greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*); and (ii) undertake surveys using transects spaced at 20 metres on average, to identify evidence of burrows that may be suitable for greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*) use.	A clearance survey was conducted in accordance The field survey was completed by a zoologist with extensive experience undertaking vertebrate fauna surveys in the Pilbara region, including targeted sampling for the significant species of focus for this assessment. No active mulgara burrows were identified.

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		(b) where potential greater bilby burrow/s are identified under Condition 17(a), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are potentially occupied. unless these burrows are being avoided with a minimum 10 metre vegetative buffer in accordance with Condition 17(c). (c) where a potentially occupied burrow is identified under Condition 17(b), the Permit Holder must not clear within 10 metres of the potentially occupied burrow and ensure there is an undisturbed vegetative linkage between the potentially occupied burrow and vegetation outside of the area to be cleared, where practicable. (d) where a potentially occupied burrow is identified under Condition 17(b), and cannot be avoided with a minimum 10 metre vegetative buffer in accordance with Condition 17(c), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) monitor the burrow with remote cameras for greater bilby use for a minimum of three (3) consecutive nights; (ii) where no evidence of greater bilby activity is identified under Condition 17(d)(i), the burrow shall be deemed as unoccupied and the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. carefully excavate the burrow by hand, and remove and relocate any native vertebrate fauna found within the burrow; and B. collapse and fill the burrow immediately after the fauna specialist has confirmed no native vertebrate fauna are present within the burrow. (iii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under Condition 17(d)(i), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. continue to monitor the burrow for greater bilby activity; B. implement displacement techniques such as deliberate disturbance of the burrow entrance, while ensuring the disturbance does not prevent the greater bilby from exiting the burrow; and C. once greater bilby displacement from the burrow is confirmed, stop monitoring, and undertake the actions required under Condition 17(d)(ii)A and Condition 17(d)(ii)B. (e) if the greater bilby has not moved on from an occupied burrow under Condition 17(d)(iii), the Permit Holder must, within 24 hours prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the identified greater bilby to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat no closer than 100 metres from the area to be cleared, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (f) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under Condition 17(e), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under Condition 17(d)(ii)A and Condition 17(d)(ii)B. (g) within 24 hours prior to clearing the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect any flagged burrow/s identified under Condition 17(b)(i) for evidence of re-excavation by greater bilby, unless these burrows are being avoided with a minimum 10 metre vegetative buffer in accordance with Condition 17(c). (h) where re-excavated greater bilby burrow/s are identified under Condition 17(g), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (i) where an occupied burrow is identified under Condition 17(h)(ii), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) remove and relocate any identified greater bilby from the burrow to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016; and (ii) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under Condition 17(i)(i), undertake the actions required under Condition 17(d)(ii)A and Condition 17(d)(ii)B.	

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		(j) where an unoccupied burrow is identified under Condition 17(h)(ii), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under Condition 17(d)(ii)A and Condition 17(d)(ii)B. (k) where any greater bilby burrows are identified under Condition 17(a) or 17(g), and any greater bilby is relocated under Condition 17(e) or 17(i), the Permit Holder must include the following in a report to be submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any burrow identified including a description of whether the burrow was unoccupied, potentially occupied, or occupied, using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) a description of the remote camera monitoring actions undertaken under Condition 17(d); (iii) the date and time that burrows have been excavated and collapsed under Conditions 17(d), 17(f), 17(i) and 17(j); (iv) the date and time greater bilby are recorded as independently moving on from an occupied burrow under Condition 17(d); (v) the sex of each greater bilby captured and relocated under Condition 17(e) or 17(i); (vi) the location of any greater bilby captured under Condition 17(e) or 17(i), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (vii) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are captured under Condition 17(e) or 17(i); (viii) the location of any greater bilby relocated under Condition 17(e) or 17(i), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ix) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are relocated under Condition 17(e) or 17(i); (x) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated greater bilby under Condition 17(e) or 17(i); and (xi) a copy of the fauna licence authorising the relocation of greater bilby under Condition 17(e) or 17(i).	
7139/4	Central Pilbara West Exploration	4. Clearing Restricted – Fauna Habitat Management The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red on attached Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1 for the purpose of rehabilitation.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red on attached Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
7139/4	Central Pilbara West Exploration	9. Flora Management Where priority flora species have been identified and their written location(s), provided to the CEO, within the document 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd (2016) Central Pilbara West Strategic Exploration NVCP, Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document for Exploration Drilling, June 2016', as retained on Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File No. A1292/201601 as DOC ID 4377115, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs unless first approved by the CEO; and (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora species identified within the reports 'BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd (2016) Central Pilbara West Strategic Exploration NVCP, Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document for Exploration Drilling, June 2016' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period. During the Annual Environmental Report data validation, new clearing was found within 10 metres of *Rhagodia* sp. Hamersley (M.Trudgen 17794) and *Aristida jerichoensis* var. *subspinulifera*; this work was not carried out by BHP or its contractors. During our investigation into the matter it was identified that the clearing was completed for new rail and road infrastructure not related to BHP operations.

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7139/4	Central Pilbara West Exploration	11. Environmental management plan (a) By 31 December 2016 the Permit Holder must submit a Management Plan to the CEO. (b) The Management Plan must include: (i) a plan for managing the impacts to Northern Quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*); (ii) a table setting out the Permit Holder's commitments to the Management Plan requirements; and (iii) a program for monitoring compliance with the Permit Holder's commitments. (c) The Management Plan must be approved by the CEO prior to being implemented. (d) The approved Management Plan must be implemented by the Permit Holder. (e) If it is necessary to modify the Management Plan, the Permit Holder must submit the modified plan to the CEO. (f) A modified Management Plan must not be implemented until approved by the CEO. (g) An approved modified Management Plan supersedes any previous Management Plans.	The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) (Northern Quoll Management Plan) was submitted to DEMIRS in January 2017 and implemented as specified in the EMP.
7139/4	Central Pilbara West Exploration	13. Retain vegetative material and topsoil, revegetation and rehabilitation The Permit Holder shall: (a) Prior to 30 November 2026, revegetate and rehabilitate 74.78 hectares of temporary disturbance previously cleared within the area crossed-hatched yellow on attached Figure 1 of schedule 1 by: (i) laying vegetative material and topsoil previously retained within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Figure 1 of schedule 1on the cleared areas; (ii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; and (iii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding 5 metres of uncleared land; (b) Within 4 years of undertaking revegetation and rehabilitation in accordance with Condition 14(a) of this Permit: (i) engage an environmental specialist to determine the species composition, structure and density of the area revegetated and rehabilitated; and (ii) where, in the opinion of an environmental specialist, the composition structure and density determined under Condition 13(b)(i) of this Permit will not result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, revegetate the area by deliberately planting and/or direct seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area and ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material are used. (c) Where additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation is undertaken in accordance with Condition 13(b)(ii) of this permit, the Permit Holder shall repeat Condition 13(b)(i) and 13(b)(ii) within 24 months of undertaking the additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation. (d) Where a determination by an environmental specialist that the composition, structure and density within areas revegetated and rehabilitated will result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, as determined in Condition 13(b)(i) and(ii) of this permit, that determination shall be submitted for the CEO's consideration. If the CEO does not agree with the determination made under Condition 13(b)(ii), the CEO may require the Permit Holder to undertake additional planting and direct seeding in accordance with the requirements under Condition 13(b)(ii).	During the reporting period 113.7 ha of temporary disturbance previously cleared areas within the area crossed-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 were rehabilitated in accordance with the conditions of the permit. The total amount rehabilitated under NVCP7139/4 is 194.7 ha, since 17 August 2023. Rehabilitation monitoring was undertaken (for more information see section Map 5-x and Table 5-1).
7374/3	Eastern Ridge Strategic Exploration Project	8. Retain and spread vegetative material and topsoil The Permit Holder shall: (a) Revegetate and rehabilitate 187.29 hectares of temporary disturbance previously cleared within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 by: (i) laying the vegetative material and topsoil previously retained within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 on the cleared areas; (ii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; and (iii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding 5 metres of uncleared land. (b) within 4 years of laying the vegetative material and topsoil on the cleared area in accordance with Condition 8(a) of this Permit:	During the reporting period 39.4 ha of temporary disturbance previously cleared areas within the area crossed-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 were rehabilitated in accordance with the conditions of the permit. The total amount rehabilitated under NVCP7374/3 is 193.2 ha, since 22 July 2022. Rehabilitation monitoring was undertaken (for more information see section 5.2.2 and Section 7.x).

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		(i) engage an environmental specialist to determine the species composition, structure and density of the area revegetated and rehabilitated; and (ii) where, in the opinion of an environmental specialist, the composition, structure and density determined under Condition 8(b)(i) of this Permit will not result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, revegetate the area by deliberately planting and/or direct seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area and ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material are used. (c) Where additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation is undertaken in accordance with Condition 8(b)(ii) of this permit, the Permit Holder shall repeat condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) within 24 months of undertaking the additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation. (d) Where a determination by an environmental specialist that the composition, structure and density within areas revegetated and rehabilitated will result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, as determined in Condition 8(b)(i) and(ii) of this permit, that determination shall be submitted for the CEO's consideration. If the CEO does not agree with the determination made under Condition 8(b)(ii), the CEO may require the Permit Holder to undertake additional planting and direct seeding in accordance with the requirements under Condition 8(b)(ii).	
7374/3	Eastern Ridge Strategic Exploration Project	11. Flora Management Where Priority Flora have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the report 'Eastern Ridge Exploration Strategic NVCP - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document for Exploration Drilling, November 2016', the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) No clearing occurs within 10 metres of the following priority flora, unless first approved by the CEO: (i) *Hibiscus campanulatus*; (ii) *Aristida lazaridis*; (iii) *Isotropis parviflora*; (iv) *Goodenia nuda*; (v) *Lepidium catapycnon*. (b) No clearing of priority flora species identified under Condition 11(a) occurs unless first approved by the CEO	All priority flora identified within report 'Eastern Ridge Exploration Strategic NVCP - Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Application Supporting Document for Exploration Drilling, November 2016' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
8033/2 from 16/09/2025 onwards	Ministers North Exploration	4. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation within the areas shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, unless for the purpose of clearing tracks.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 outside of the exception for clearing tracks during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8033/2 from 16/09/2025 onwards	Ministers North Exploration	10. Fauna management (western pebble-mound mouse) Where the Western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmanii*) active mounds have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the file 'CPS 8033/2 – BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd – Western pebble-mound mouse active mounds', as retained on the Department of Mines, Petroleum, and Exploration File Number A0616/201801 as Object Id A96830647, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of the identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO.	All active Western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds identified within the file 'CPS 8033/2 – BHP Iron Ore Pty Ltd – Western pebble-mound mouse active mounds' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of identified active mounds occurred during the reporting period.
8123/2	Caramulla Project	6. Restricted Clearing The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red on attached Plan 8123/2 for the purpose of access tracks and/or pipelines.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red on attached Plan 8123/2 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8123/2	Caramulla Project	9. Flora Management Where *Eremophila capricornica* and *Ipomoea racemigera* have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO within report 'Reconnaissance Flora and Vegetation Survey	All *Eremophila capricornica* and *Ipomoea racemigera* identified within report 'Reconnaissance Flora and Vegetation Survey Caramulla, June 2018' were recorded in

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		Caramulla, June 2018' as retained on Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety file A1339/201801, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of identified *Eremophila capricornica* and *Ipomoea racemigera* occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Eremophila capricornica* and *Ipomoea racemigera*, unless first approved by the CEO.	BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
8123/2	Caramulla Project	10. Fauna management (a) Within one month prior to undertaking any clearing within the areas shaded green on attached Plan 8123/2, the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to inspect the areas to be cleared to identify the following critical habitat for fauna: (i) *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby) burrows; and (ii) *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows. (b) Where active burrows are identified in relation to Condition 10(a) of the Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified active *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified active *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	A pre-clearance survey was conducted in accordance with the BHP Bilby Checklist, no critical habitats for greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*) and/or brush-tailed mulgara (*Dasycercus blythi*) were identified.
8940/1 up to 24/11/2025	Ministers North Conveyor at Yandi Geotech	8. Watercourse Management (a) Where practicable the Permit Holder shall avoid clearing riparian vegetation; (b) The Permit Holder shall not clear riparian vegetation within or adjacent to Marillana Creek, within the areas shaded red on attached Plan 8740/1, unless first approved by the CEO; (c) Where a watercourse or drainage line is to be impacted by clearing, the Permit Holder shall ensure that surface flow is maintained or is reinstated downstream into existing natural drainage lines.	No riparian vegetation was cleared within or adjacent to Marillana Creek during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8940/1 up to 24/11/2025	Ministers North Conveyor at Yandi Geotech	9. Flora management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the Permit Area for the presence of threatened flora listed in the Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice and priority flora in accordance with EPA Technical Guidance. (b) Where threatened flora or priority flora are identified in relation to Condition 9(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO; (ii) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified threatened flora, unless approved by the CEO; and (iii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs and no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless approved by the CEO.	No threatened flora was cleared within or adjacent to Marillana Creek during the reporting period as no clearing was undertaken, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8940/2 from 25/11/2025 onwards	Ministers North Conveyor at Yandi Geotech	8. Watercourse management (a) where practicable the permit holder shall avoid clearing riparian vegetation; (b) the Permit Holder shall not clear riparian vegetation within or adjacent to Marillana Creek within the areas shaded red depicted in Figure 1 and Figure 2 of Schedule 1, unless first approved by the CEO; and (c) where a watercourse or drainage line is to be impacted by clearing, the permit holder shall ensure that the existing surface flow is maintained or reinstated downstream into existing natural drainage lines.	No riparian vegetation was cleared within or adjacent to Marillana Creek during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8940/2 from 25/11/2025 onwards	Ministers North Conveyor at Yandi Geotech	9. Flora management Where priority flora, *Ipomoea racemigera* (P2), *Rostellularia adscendens var. latifolia* (P3), and *Sida sp. Barlee Range* (S. van Leeuwen 1642) (P4) have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within report 'Yandi E8 Targeted Flora Survey, Report prepared for BHP	All priority flora *Ipomoea racemigera* (P2), *Rostellularia adscendens var. latifolia* (P3), and *Sida sp. Barlee Range* (S. van Leeuwen 1642) (P4) identified within the report 'Yandi E8 Targeted Flora Survey, Report prepared for BHP Western Australia by Biologic, February 2023' were

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		Western Australia by Biologic, February 2023' as retained on DMPE file A0983/202001 as Doc ID A92840738, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs; and (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora.	recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of the identified priority flora occurred during the reporting period.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	8. Vegetation management – clearing not allowed The Permit Holder must ensure that no clearing of native vegetation occurs within the areas cross hatched red on attached Plan 8953/3(b) with the exception of minor access tracks only.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross hatched red on attached Plan 8953/3(b) during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	9. Vegetation management - watercourses The Permit Holder must ensure that: (a) no clearing of riparian vegetation of any watercourse or wetland occurs within the drainage line habitat areas cross-hatched red on attached Plan 8953/3(c) with the exception of minor access tracks only. (b) no clearing of riparian vegetation occurs within 10 metres of the 13 waterbody locations listed in the attached Schedule 1 (waterbodies).	No riparian vegetation was cleared. The 13 waterbody locations listed in the attached Schedule 1 (waterbodies) were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint to protect the riparian vegetation. This is evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	10. Fauna management – rocky ridge habitat The Permit Holder must ensure that: (a) no clearing of native vegetation occurs within the gorge-gully and breakaway-cliff habitat areas cross-hatched red on attached Plan 8953/3(d) with the exception of minor access tracks only within the less precipitous inclines. (b) no clearing of native vegetation occurs within 10 metres of the six cave locations listed in the attached Schedule 2 (caves).	No clearing occurred during the reporting period. The six cave locations listed in the attached Schedule 2 (caves) were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	11. Fauna management – avoidance of priority fauna The Permit Holder must ensure that: (a) No clearing of native vegetation to occur within 10 metres of the known locations of the Western Pebble-mound Mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) listed in the attached Schedule 3 (western pebble mound mouse), unless unavoidable. (b) Where unavoidable, clearing of no more than 20 per cent of Western Pebble-mound Mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds listed in the attached Schedule 3 (western pebble-mound mouse) is to occur.	All known western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mounds listed in Schedule 3 were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer and the buffered area was removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing of mounds listed in Schedule 3 occurred during the reporting period.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	12. Fauna management - backfilling The Permit Holder must: (a) cover all boreholes at the end of each day and backfill upon completion; and (b) backfill all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with excavated material.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	13. Fauna management – time of clearing The Permit Holder must undertake all activities authorised under this Permit during day time hours; i.e. between 6 am and 6 pm.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
8953/3	Ministers North s91 Area	14. Flora management – avoidance of priority flora The Permit Holder must ensure that: (a) no clearing of native vegetation to occur within 10 metres of the known locations of the two Priority flora taxa listed in the attached Schedule 4 (priority flora), unless unavoidable. (b) where unavoidable, clearing of: (i) no more than 20 per cent of individual Rostellularia adscendens var. latifolia plants from each of the known locations listed in the attached Schedule 4 (priority flora) is to occur; and (ii) no more than 20 per cent of individual Sida sp. Barlee Range (S. van Leeuwen 1642) plants from each of the known locations listed in the attached Schedule 4 (priority flora) is to occur.	Known locations of the two priority flora taxa *Rostellularia adscendens* var. *latifolia* and *Sida* sp. Barlee Range listed in the attached Schedule 4 (priority flora) were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS). A 10m buffer was applied and buffered areas were removed from the clearing footprint as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER. No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
9178/3	Jimblebar Solar Project	9. Fauna management	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.

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		(a) Within two weeks prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit within the areas cross-hatched red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys for brush-tailed mulgara (*Dasycercus blythi*). (b) Where brush-tailed mulgara burrows are identified under Condition 9(a), the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to determine if the burrow is occupied. (c) Where occupied burrows have been identified under Condition 9(b), the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna spotter to traverse the project area ahead of clearing machinery at the time of clearing, and alert machinery operators to avoid brush-tailed mulgara injury or mortality. (d) Where any brush-tailed mulgara are identified under Condition 9(a) and 9(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall include the following in a report submitted to the CEO: (i) the location of any evidence of brush-tailed mulgara recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the type of evidence recorded under Condition 9(d)(i) e.g. fauna individuals, burrows, scats, tracks; (iii) the name of the fauna specialist that determined if the brush-tailed mulgara burrow was occupied under Condition 9(b); and (iv) any brush-tailed mulgara injury or mortality that occurs while undertaking clearing authorised under this Permit.	
10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	4. Clearing not authorised The Permit Holder must ensure that: (a) no clearing of native vegetation occurs within areas identified as fauna habitat of mangrove and major drainage line within the area cross-hatched red on Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule (b) no clearing of native vegetation occurs within areas identified as fauna habitat of tidal flat/drainage within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, with the exception for the purpose of geotechnical investigation and associated tracks.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, with the exception during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	9. Flora management – pre-clearance survey (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the area(s) intended to be cleared to identify possible occurrences of the following priority flora species: - *Tephrosia rosea* var. Port Hedland (A.S. George 1114) (priority 1); - *Gomphrena pusilla* (priority 2); - *Abutilon sp. Pritzelianum* (S. van Leeuwen 5095) (priority 3); - *Euploca mutica* (priority 3); - *Eragrostis crateriformis* (priority 3); - *Gomphrena leptophylla* (priority 3); - *Gymnanthera cunninghamii* (priority 3); - *Rothia indica subsp. australis* (priority 3). (b) Where priority flora are identified in relation to condition 9(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless approved by the CEO in writing; (ii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs unless approved by the CEO in writing. (c) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO. (d) If any of the abovementioned priority flora are identified within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the targeted flora survey report must include the following: (i) the location of each priority flora, identified under condition 9(a), either as the location of individual plants, or where this is not practical, the areal extent of the population and an estimate of the number of plants, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.

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		Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the species name of each priority flora species identified under condition 9(a); and (iii) the methodology used to survey the permit area.	
10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	10. Fauna management – Greater bilby and brush-tailed mulgara (a) Within seven (7) days, or within another timeframe approved by the CEO, prior to undertaking any clearing authorised within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 under this permit, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake pre-clearance survey of the area(s) intended to be cleared for the greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*) and brush-tailed mulgara (*Dasycercus blythi*) including the identification and inspection of burrows, and determination of whether burrows are being utilised. (b) Where evidence of recent burrow use is identified under condition 10(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall; (i) engage a fauna specialist to flag the location of the burrow/s showing signs of recent use; (ii) not clear within 10 metres of the flagged burrow/s; (iii) clearing of the burrows showing signs of recent use cannot be undertaken until a fauna specialist is engaged to monitor with cameras, the flagged burrow/s for a maximum of five days, or until such time that greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara have been observed to independently move on from the burrow/s; and (iv) prior to clearing any burrows showing signs of recent use, engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect any flagged burrow/s for the presence of greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara. (c) If greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara are identified utilising any flagged burrow/s under condition 10(b)(iv) of this permit and cannot be avoided in accordance with condition 6 of this permit, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the identified greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara to an area of suitable habitat, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 201 (d) Where active greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara burrows are identified under condition 10(a) of this permit, and/or greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara are relocated under condition 10(c) of this permit, the permit holder must include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within 14 calendar days of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any greater bilbies or brush-tailed mulgara, as referred to under condition 10(a) of this Permit, captured using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) a description of the camera monitoring measures undertaken under condition 10(b)(iii) of this Permit; (iii) the date and time of greater bilbies or brush-tailed mulgara were recorded as independently moving from a flagged burrow; (iv) the number of individuals, gender of each greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara captured/relocated under condition 10(b) and 10(c) of this permit; (v) the date, time, vegetation type and weather conditions at each location where greater bilbies or brush-tailed mulgaras were captured under condition 10(c) of this permit; (vi) the method of removal; (vii) the location where each greater bilby or brush-tailed mulgara was relocated to, recorded using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (viii) details pertaining to the circumstances of any death of, or injury sustained by, an individual; (ix) the relevant qualifications of the fauna specialist undertaking removal and relocation; and (x) a copy of the fauna licence authorising the relocation of fauna under condition 10(c) of this permit.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.

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10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	11. Fauna management – Northern quoll (a) When undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to inspect area(s) intended to clear immediately prior to, and for the duration of clearing activities, for the presence of northern quoll(s) (*Dasyurus hallucatus*). (b) Clearing activities must cease in any area where fauna referred to in condition 11(a) are identified until either: (i) the Northern Quoll individual(s) has moved on from that area to adjoining suitable habitat. (ii) the Northern Quoll individual(s) has been removed by a fauna specialist. (c) Any Northern Quoll individual(s) removed in accordance with condition 11(b)(ii) must be relocated by a fauna specialist to an area of suitable habitat, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (d) Where Northern Quoll individual(s) is identified under condition 11(a), the permit holder must within 14 calendar days provide the following records to the CEO: (i) the number of individuals identified; (ii) the date each individual was identified; (iii) the location where each individual was identified recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (iv) the number of individuals removed and relocated; (v) the date each individual was removed and relocated; (vi) the method of removal; (vii) the location where each individual was relocated to, recorded using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; and (viii) details pertaining to the circumstances of any death of, or injury sustained by, an individual; (ix) the relevant qualifications of the fauna specialist undertaking removal and relocation; and (x) a copy of the fauna licence authorising the relocation of fauna under condition 11(c) of this permit.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	12. Fauna management – Flatback turtle The permit holder must not clear any native vegetation within the beach/dune areas cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1 during the period from October to March annually.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the beach/dune areas during the October to March seasonal restriction period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10285/1	Boodarie Replacement NVCP	13. Fauna management – backfilling The permit holder must: (a) backfill all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with excavated material; or (b) fence all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with fine mesh to prevent fauna access; or (c) cover all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with a cover which prevents entry to the pits by fauna species; and (d) cover all bore holes at the end of each day and backfill upon completion.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area cross-hatched red in Figure 4 of Schedule 1, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10292/1	Rail Sleeper Remediation Chainage 308, 345 and 388 NVCP	7. Wind and water erosion management The permit holder must commence activities authorised under this permit no later than three (3) months after undertaking the authorised clearing activities to reduce the potential for wind and water erosion.	No clearing activity occurred under this NVCP in FY2026
10292/1	Rail Sleeper Remediation Chainage 308, 345 and 388 NVCP	9. Fauna management – Northern quoll (a) In relation to the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to inspect that area immediately prior to, and for the duration of clearing activities, for the presence of northern quoll(s) (*Dasyurus hallucatus*). (b) Clearing activities must cease in any area where fauna referred to in condition 8(a) are identified until either:	No clearing activity occurred under this NVCP in FY2026 therefore a pre-clearance survey was not required.

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		(i) the Northern Quoll individual(s) has moved on from that area to adjoining suitable habitat. (ii) the Northern Quoll individual(s) has been removed by a fauna specialist. (c) Any Northern Quoll individual(s) removed in accordance with condition 8(b)(ii) must be relocated by a fauna specialist to an area of suitable habitat, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (d) Where fauna is identified under condition 8(a), the permit holder must within 14 calendar days provide the following records to the CEO: (i) the number of individuals identified; (ii) the date each individual was identified; (iii) the location where each individual was identified recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (iv) the number of individuals removed and relocated; (v) the relevant qualifications of the fauna specialist undertaking removal and relocation; (vi) the date each individual was removed; (vii) the method of removal; (viii) the date each individual was relocated; (ix) the location where each individual was relocated to, recorded using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; and (x) details pertaining to the circumstances of any death of, or injury sustained by, an individual.	
10387/1	Rail Sleeper Remediation Chainages 220 and 268	7. Fauna Management – Pre-clearance survey (a) Within 72 hours prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys within the areas cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 and Figure 2 of Schedule 1 for: (i) greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*), including the identification and inspection of any burrows identified; (ii) Northern Quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*), including the identification and inspection of any dens identified; (iii) western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*), including the identification and inspection of mounds identified; and (b) Where evidence of burrows, mounds and/or dens are identified under condition 7(a) of this permit, the permit holder must: (i) not clear within 10 metres of greater bilby burrow(s), unless approved by the CEO; (ii) not clear within 10 metres of western pebble-mound mouse mound(s), unless approved by the CEO; and (iii) not clear artificial denning habitat of the Northern Quoll between October and March, unless approved by the CEO. (c) Where fauna is identified under condition 7(a) of this permit, the permit holder must include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within three months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the species name of each identified fauna species under condition 7(a) of this permit; (ii) the number of individuals identified; (iii) the date each individual was identified; (iv) the location of each fauna species identified under condition 7(a) of this permit, including the location of identified burrows, mounds and/or dens, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (v) the name of the fauna specialist that undertook surveys under condition 7(a) of this permit; and (vi) the methodology used to survey the permit area.	No clearing activity occurred under this NVCP in FY2026 therefore a pre-clearance survey was not required.
10387/1	Rail Sleeper Remediation	9. Fauna management – time of clearing The permit holder must undertake all activities authorised under this permit during daytime hours.	No clearing activity occurred under this NVCP in FY2026

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10387/1	Rail Sleeper Remediation Chainages 220 and 268	10. Flora Management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the area authorised to clear under this permit for the presence of priority flora: (b) Where priority flora are identified in relation to condition 10(a) of this permit, the permit holder must ensure: (i) no clearing occurs within 20 metres of the identified priority flora, unless approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing of the identified priority flora unless approved by the CEO. (c) Where priority flora are identified under condition 10(a) of this permit, the permit holder must include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within three months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the species name of each priority flora individual(s) identified under condition 10(a) of this permit; (ii) the number of individuals identified; (iii) the date each individual was identified; (iv) the location of each priority flora, identified under condition 10(a), either as the location of individual plants, or where this is not practical, the areal extent of the population and an estimate of the number of plants, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (v) the name of the botanist that undertook the targeted flora survey under condition 10(a) of this permit; and (vi) the methodology used during the targeted flora survey under condition 10(a) of this permit.	No clearing activity occurred under this NVCP in FY2026 therefore a targeted flora survey was not required.
10533/1	Fanghorn Rivendell	10. Watercourse Management When undertaking clearing within the areas shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) clearing is limited to five hectares; (b) clearing is only undertaken during the dry season (1 July – 30 November); and (c) trees with a height of 4 metres or more are not cleared.	No clearing was undertaken by BHP within the boundary of NVCP 10533/1 in this reporting period.
10533/1	Fanghorn Rivendell	11. Flora Management Where the priority flora species *Crotalaria smithiana* and *Indigofera rivularis* have been identified and their locations, provided to the CEO, within the file 'Spectrum Priority flora locations', as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number DMS2564/2024 as Object ID A76267545, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no individual plants of identified Crotalaria smithiana are cleared, unless first approved by the CEO; (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified Crotalaria smithiana, unless first approved by the CEO; (iii) no individual plants of identified Indigofera rivularis are cleared, unless first approved by the CEO; and (iv) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified Indigofera rivularis, unless first approved by the CEO.	All priority flora species of *Crotalaria smithiana* and *Indigofera rivularis* identified within the file 'Spectrum Priority flora locations' were recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer. No clearing was undertaken by BHP within the boundary of NVCP 10533/1 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
10533/1	Fanghorn Rivendell	12. Fauna management Where the priority fauna species *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed mulgara) or its burrows (active and inactive) have been identified and their locations provided to the CEO, within the file 'Mulgara Burrow Locations' as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number DMS2564/2024 as Object ID A76925751, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (a) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed mulgara) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	All *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed mulgara) or its active and inactive burrows identified in the file 'Mulgara Burrow Locations' are recorded in BHPs Geographic Information System (GIS) with a 10m buffer. No clearing was undertaken by BHP within the boundary of NVCP 10533/1 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.

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10533/1	Fanghorn Rivendell	13. Fauna management (a) Within one month prior to undertaking any clearing within the areas cross-hatched yellow and shaded blue in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to inspect the areas to be cleared to identify the following critical habitat for fauna: (i) *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby) burrows; and (ii) *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows. (b) Where burrows (active or inactive) are identified in relation to Condition 13(a) of the Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified *Macrotis lagotis* (Greater Bilby) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified *Dasycercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	No clearing was undertaken by BHP within the boundary of NVCP 10533/1 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
10533/1	Fanghorn Rivendell	14. Fauna spotter The Permit Holder shall engage a fauna spotter to traverse the project area ahead of clearing machinery at the time of clearing and alert machinery operators to avoid fauna.	No clearing was undertaken by BHP within the boundary of NVCP 10533/1 in this reporting period and therefore, no pre-clearance surveys or fauna management was required.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	4. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear native vegetation within the areas shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, for the purposes of undertaking rehabilitation activities and environmental surveys.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded red in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	5. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall only clear within the areas shaded blue and pink in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the purpose of access tracks, undertaking rehabilitation activities and environmental surveys.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded blue and pink in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	6. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 88 hectares of native vegetation within the areas shaded green in Figure 1 of Schedule 1	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded green in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	7. Clearing restricted The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 5 hectares of native vegetation within the areas shaded pink in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.	No clearing of native vegetation occurred within the area shaded pink in Figure 1 of Schedule 1. during the reporting period, as evidenced by the spatial data provided as part of this AER.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	12. Flora management (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing after February 2028 authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a botanist to conduct a targeted flora survey of the permit area for the presence of threatened flora listed in the Biodiversity Conservation (Listing of Native Species) (Flora) Order and priority flora in accordance with EPA Technical Guidance; (b) Where threatened flora or priority flora are identified in relation to condition 12(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing occurs within 50 metres of identified threatened flora, unless approved by the CEO; (ii) no clearing of identified threatened flora, unless approved by the CEO; (iii) no clearing of identified priority flora occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (iv) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified priority flora, unless first approved by the CEO. (c) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the targeted flora survey in a report to the CEO; (d) For the purpose of this Permit, a targeted flora survey conducted within ten years preceding the clearing will satisfy Condition 12(a); (e) Conditions 12(a), 12(b)(i) and 12(b)(iv) do not apply to clearing undertaken for the purposes of undertaking rehabilitation activities and environmental surveys.	Actions not required until February 2028.
10719/1 from 16/08/2025 onwards	Marillana Exploration NVCP	13. Fauna management (western pebble-mound mouse) Where the Western pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) active mounds have been identified and their written locations provided to the CEO, within the file 'CPS 10719/1 – BHP Iron	No clearing was undertaken within the boundary of NVCP 10719/1 in this reporting period and therefore, no fauna management was required.

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		Ore Pty Ltd - Western pebble-mound mouse active mounds', as retained on Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety File Number DMS10613/2024 as Object Id A93030092, the Permit Holder shall ensure that: (i) no clearing of the identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (ii) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified active mounds occurs, unless first approved by the CEO.	
11000/1 from 12/07/2025 onwards	Yarrie Potable Water Bores	8. Fauna management – greater bilby (a) within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) undertake surveys using transects spaced at 20 metres on average, to identify evidence of burrows that may be suitable for greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*) use. (b) where potential greater bilby burrow/s are identified under Condition 8(a), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are potentially occupied. (c) where a potentially occupied burrow is identified under Condition 8(b), the Permit Holder must not clear within 50 metres of the potentially occupied burrow and ensure there is an undisturbed vegetative linkage between the potentially occupied burrow and vegetation outside of the area to be cleared, where practicable. (d) where a potentially occupied burrow is identified under Condition 8(b), and cannot be avoided with a minimum 50 metre vegetative buffer in accordance with Condition 8(c), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) monitor the burrow with remote cameras for greater bilby use for a minimum of three (3) consecutive nights; (ii) where no evidence of greater bilby activity is identified under Condition 8(d)(i), the burrow shall be deemed as unoccupied and the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. carefully excavate the burrow by hand, and remove and relocate any native vertebrate fauna found within the burrow; and B. collapse and fill the burrow immediately after the fauna specialist has confirmed no native vertebrate fauna are present within the burrow. (iii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under Condition 8(d)(i), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. continue to monitor the burrow for greater bilby activity; B. implement displacement techniques such as deliberate disturbance of the burrow entrance, while ensuring the disturbance does not prevent the greater bilby from exiting the burrow; and C. once greater bilby displacement from the burrow is confirmed, stop monitoring, and undertake the actions required under Condition 8(d)(ii)A and Condition 8(d)(ii)B. (e) if the greater bilby has not moved on from an occupied burrow under Condition 8(d)(iii), the Permit Holder must, within 24 hours prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the identified greater bilby to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat no closer than 100 metres from the area to be cleared, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (f) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under Condition 8(e), the Permit Holder mustengage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under Condition 8(d)(ii)A and Condition 8(d)(ii)B. (g) within 24 hours prior to clearing the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect any flagged burrow/s identified under Condition 8(b)(i) for evidence of re-excavation by greater bilby, CPS 11000/1 Page 3 of 8 unless these burrows are being avoided with a minimum 50 metre vegetative buffer in accordance with Condition 8(c). (h) where re-excavated greater bilby burrow/s are identified under Condition 8(g), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.

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		(ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (i) where an occupied burrow is identified under Condition 8(h)(ii), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) remove and relocate any identified greater bilby from the burrow to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat, in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016; and (ii) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under Condition 8(i)(i), undertake the actions required under Condition 8(d)(ii)A and Condition 8(d)(ii)B. (j) where an unoccupied burrow is identified under Condition 8(h)(ii), the Permit Holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under Condition 8(d)(ii)A and Condition 8(d)(ii)B. (k) where any greater bilby burrows are identified under Condition 8(a) or 8(g), and any greater bilby is relocated under Condition 8(e) or 8(i), the Permit Holder must include the following in a report to be submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any burrow identified including a description of whether the burrow was unoccupied, potentially occupied, or occupied, using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) a description of the remote camera monitoring actions undertaken under Condition 8(d); (iii) the date and time that burrows have been excavated and collapsed under Conditions 8(d), 8(f), 8(i) and 8(j); (iv) the date and time greater bilby are recorded as independently moving on from an occupied burrow under Condition 8(d); (v) the sex of each greater bilby captured and relocated under Condition 8(e) or 8(i); (vi) the location of any greater bilby captured under Condition 8(e) or 8(i), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (vii) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are captured under Condition 8(e) or 8(i); (viii) the location of any greater bilby relocated under Condition 8(e) or 8(i), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ix) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are relocated under Condition 8(e) or 8(i); (x) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated greater bilby under Condition 8(e) or 8(i); and (xi) a copy of the fauna licence authorising the relocation of greater bilby under Condition 8(e) or 8(i).	
11000/1 from 12/07/2025 onwards	Yarrie Potable Water Bores	9. Fauna management – brush-tailed mulgara (a) within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit the Permit Holder shall engage a fauna specialist to conduct a fauna survey of that area to identify *Dasycercus blythi* (brush-tailed mulgara) burrows. (b) prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under the Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the fauna survey in a report to the CEO. (c) the fauna survey report must include the following: (i) the location of any burrows recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the location of any *Dasycercus blythi* individuals if identified, recorded using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; and (iii) the methodology used to survey the Permit Area. (d) where burrows are identified in relation to Condition 9(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified burrows, unless first approved by the CEO.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.

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11000/1 from 12/07/2025 onwards	Yarrie Potable Water Bores	10. Flora management Where the flora species *Gardenia pyriformis subsp. keartlandii* has been identified and its locations provided to the CEO, and retained on the Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety file DMS03825/2025 as Doc ID A89742382, the Permit Holder must ensure: (a) no clearing of the identified flora species occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of the identified flora species, unless first approved by the CEO.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	8. Fauna management – backfilling The permit holder must: (a) fence all test pits on the day of drilling/excavating with fine mesh to prevent fauna access; or (b) cover all test pits/bores on the day of drilling/excavating with a cover which prevents entry to the pits/bores by fauna species and backfill upon completion; (c) cover all boresholes at the end of each day and backfill upon completion; (d) cover all groundwater bores at the end of each day and seal them upon completion of works.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	9. Fauna management – Greater bilby pre-clearance survey (a) Within fourteen (14) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, for the areas cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) undertake surveys using transects spaced at 100 metres on average to identify evidence of use by the greater bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*); and (ii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under condition 9(a)(i), undertake surveys using transects spaced at 20 metres on average, to identify evidence of burrows that may be suitable for greater bilby use. (b) Where potential greater bilby burrow/s are identified under condition 9(a), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (c) Where an occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(b), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) monitor the burrow with remote cameras for greater bilby use for a minimum of three (3) consecutive nights; (ii) where no evidence of greater bilby activity is identified under condition 9(c)(i), the burrow shall be deemed as un-occupied and the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. carefully excavate the burrow by hand, and remove and relocate any native vertebrate fauna found within the burrow; and B. collapse and fill the burrow immediately after the fauna specialist has confirmed that no native vertebrate fauna are present within the burrow. (iii) where evidence of greater bilby use is identified under condition 9(c)(i), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: A. continue to monitor the burrow for greater bilby activity; B. implement displacement techniques such as deliberate disturbance of the burrow entrance, while ensuring the disturbance does not prevent greater bilby from exiting the burrow; and C. once greater bilby displacement from the burrow is confirmed, stop monitoring, and undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (d) If the greater bilby has not moved on from an occupied burrow under condition 9(c)(iii), the permit holder must, no earlier than seven (7) days prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the identified greater bilby to an area of greater bilby suitable habitat, in consultation with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions. (e) Immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under condition X(d), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B.	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.

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		(f) Within 24 hours prior to undertaking clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect the flagged burrow/s identified under condition 9(b)(i) for evidence of re-excavation by greater bilby. (g) Where re-excavated greater bilby burrow/s are identified under condition 9(f), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) flag the location of the burrow/s; and (ii) inspect the burrow/s and determine whether the burrow/s are occupied. (h) Where an occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(g)(ii), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to: (i) remove and relocate any identified greater bilby from the burrow to an area of suitable habitat, in consultation with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions; and (ii) immediately after the greater bilby has been relocated under condition 9(h)(i), undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (i) Where an un-occupied burrow is identified under condition 9(g)(ii), the permit holder must engage a fauna specialist to undertake the actions required under condition 9(c)(ii)A and condition 9(c)(ii)B. (j) Where any greater bilby burrows are identified under condition 9(a) or 9(f), and any greater bilby is relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h), the permit holder must include the following in a report to be submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit: (i) the location of any burrow identified including a description of whether the burrow was occupied, using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) a description of the remote camera monitoring actions undertaken under condition 9(c); (iii) the date and time that burrows have been excavated and collapsed under conditions 9(c), 9(e), 9(h) and 9(i); (iv) the date and time greater bilby are recorded as independently moving on from an occupied burrow under condition 9(c); (v) the gender of each greater bilby captured and relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (vi) the location of any greater bilby captured under condition 9(d) or 9(h), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (vii) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are captured under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (viii) the location of any greater bilby relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h), using a GPS unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ix) the date, time and vegetation type at each location where greater bilby are relocated under condition 9(d) or 9(h); (x) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated greater bilby under condition 9(d) or 9(h); and (xi) a copy of the relevant authorisations for the relocation of greater bilby under condition 9(d) or 9(h).	
11343/1 from 02/04/2026 onwards	Goldsworthy Off-tenure Contaminated Sites Investigation	10. Fauna management – pre-clearance survey (a) Within seven (7) days prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit, the permit holder shall engage a fauna specialist to undertake clearance surveys within the area cross-hatched yellow on Figure 1 of Schedule 1 for the following fauna species: (i) Northern Quoll (*Dasyurus hallucatus*) (ii) Brush-tailed Mulgara (*Dasycercus blythi*) (iii) Western Pebble-mound mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) (iv) Northern Short tailed Mouse (*Leggadina lakedownensis*). including the identification and inspection of burrows and mounds, and determination of whether burrows and mounds are being utilised. (b) Where evidence of recent burrow or mound use is identified under condition 10(a) of this permit, the permit holder shall;	No clearing occurred during the reporting period.

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		(i) engage a fauna specialist to flag the location of the burrow/s and/or mound/s showing signs of recent use; (ii) not clear within ten (10) metres of the flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s; (iii)engage a fauna specialist to monitor with cameras, the flagged burrow/s and or mound/s for a maximum of five days, or until such time that the fauna species identified under condition 10(a) have been observed to independently move on from the burrow/s and/or mound/s; and (iv)prior to clearing, engage a fauna specialist to re-inspect any flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s for the presence of the fauna species identified under condition 10(a). (c) If species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are utilising any flagged burrow/s and/or mound/s under condition 10(b) and cannot be avoided in accordance with condition 5 of this permit, the permit holder shall: (i) engage a fauna specialist to remove and relocate the individual(s) to an area of suitable habitat; and (ii) any removal and relocation of Northern Quoll under condition 10(c)(i) of this Permit must be conducted in accordance with a section 40 authorisation under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. (d) Where active burrow/s and/or mound/s for species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are identified and/or species identified under condition 10(a) of this permit are relocated in accordance with condition 10(c), the permit holder shall include the following in a report submitted to the CEO within two (2) months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit: (i) the location of any active burrow/s and/or mound/s identified using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees; (ii) the gender of each individual captured under condition 10(c) of this permit; (iii) the dates, times, vegetation types and weather conditions at each location where species listed under condition 10(a) of this permit are captured from and relocated to under condition 10(c)(ii) of this Permit; (iv) the name of the fauna specialist that relocated fauna under condition 10(c) of this permit; and (v) a copy of the fauna licenses authorising the relocation of fauna under condition 10(c)(i) of this Permit.	

5.4 Compliance

All clearing activities are carried out in line with BHPs Environmental Management System. BHPs GLUP process ensures all NVCP conditions are considered during an assessment and approval of all clearing activities. Relevant conditions are set within the approved GLUP prior to the commencement of any vegetation disturbance activities. The GLUP owner is accountable to ensure that the GLUP conditions are adhered to during all mining, exploration or projects land disturbance activities. Verification activities are performed to assess compliance.

There were two non-compliances identified during the financial year.

- A non-compliance was identified against NVCP 7009/4 relating to the Northern Quoll Management Plan not being revised and updated in the required timeframe.
- A non-compliance against NVCP5889/2 was identified in October 2025, related to Barimunya Airport. Approximately 0.3 ha of vegetation clearing was undertaken outside the approved NVCP clearing boundary. The clearing associated with the establishment of a topsoil stockpile occurred within existing BHP held tenure L47/118. An investigation determined the cause of the over-clearing was a misinterpretation of the land use permit map and approval requirements by the team overseeing the works. Upon identification of the issue, clearing activities in the affected were ceased and corrective and preventative actions have been implemented, including additional training in the BHP internal land use permit interpretation and introduction of a routine to verify adherence with the land use permit conditions covering the NVCP5889/2 approval footprint. To retain and use the topsoil for rehabilitation purposes, BHP intends to apply to amend the permit boundary to include the 0.3 ha of over-clearing.

6 State Agreements

6.1 Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964

6.1.1 Objectives of Reporting

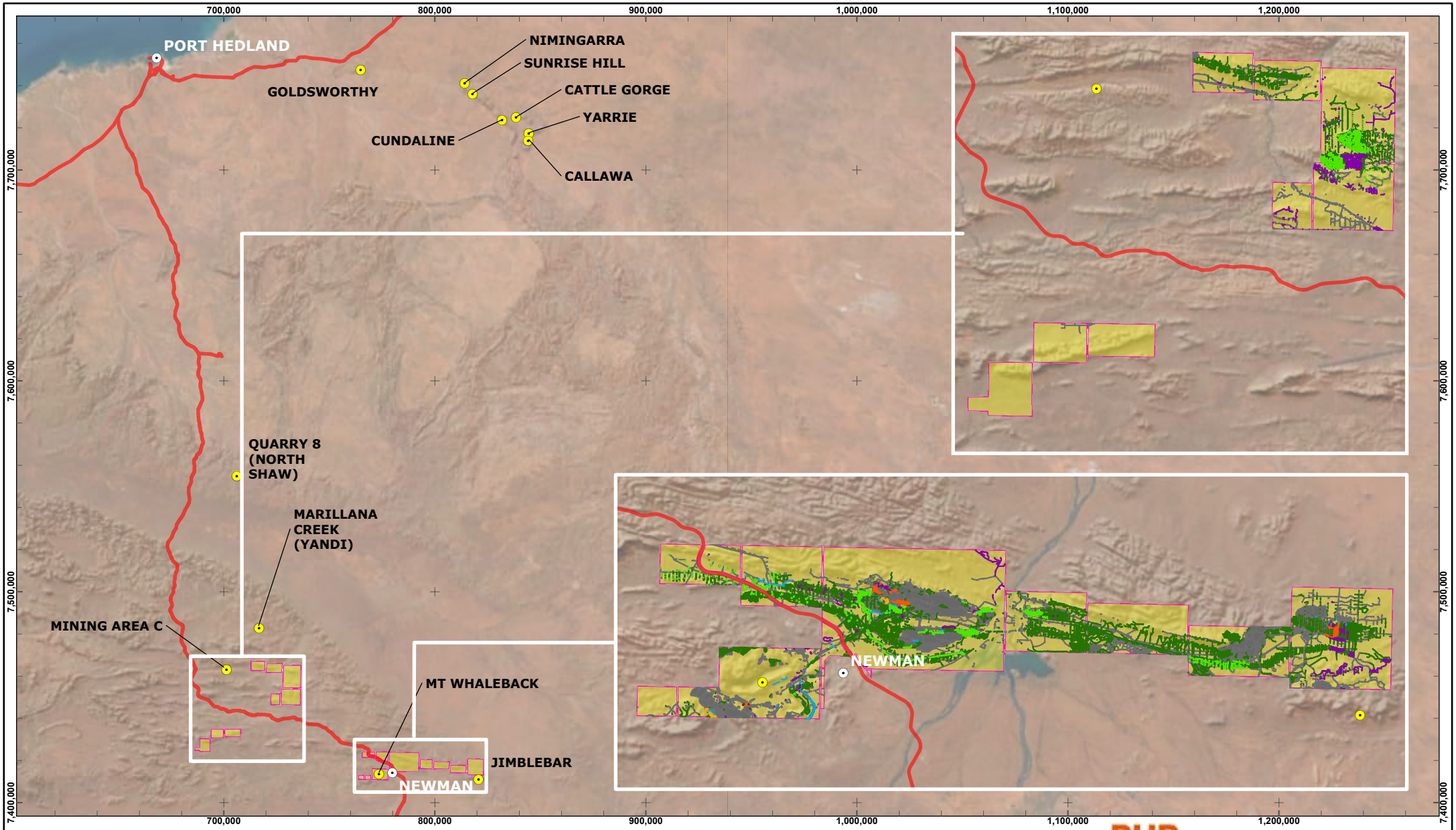
To provide an overview of the extent of mining operations, environmental management and rehabilitation activities carried out under the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964* for the FY2026 reporting period.

6.1.2 Site Summary Table

State Agreement	*Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*
Operational Areas	• Eastern Ridge • Nelson Point – Port Operations • Newman • Orebodies 17, 18 and 31 (OB17, 18 and 31)
Tenements listed under State Agreement	• Mineral Lease 244SA • General Purpose Leases 52/19 to 52/256, 52/258 to 52/274, 52/276, 52/277 and 52/279 • Miscellaneous Licences 45/131, 45/132, 45/133, 45/134, 45/135, 45/136, 45/147, 45/194, 46/124, 52/108, 52/109 and 52/163 • General Leases I123400, I123402, I123403, I123595, I123596, I123599, I123701, I123720, I126374, I150268 to I150272, I150276 to I150278, I150280, I150281, I150286, I150287, I150289, I150292, I150309, I150310, I154279 (Newman Mainline), I163665 to I163674, I163678, I163682, I163688, I180991, K693815, K858923, N088235 (formerly 3116/3684), N105667 (formerly 3116/4028),
Proposals approved under State Agreement	Since 1965, the proposals approved under this State Agreement are: • Mt Whaleback Operations • Newman Mainline • Orebody 29 (OB29) • Orebody 23 (OB23) and Orebody 25 (OB25) • Port Hedland Harbour Tunnel • Orebody 17 (OB17) and Orebody 18 (OB18) • Orebody 30 (OB30) and Orebody 35 (OB35) • Expansion of the Mt Whaleback and Satellite Orebodies Overburden Storage Areas General Purpose Leases 52/19 to 52/274 • Evaporation Ponds at Mt Whaleback • Development of Ore Processing Facilities at Newman • Nelson Point Port Facilities • Newman Mainline Sidings • Replacement Diesel Fuel Pipeline at Nelson Point, Port Hedland • Ammonium Nitrate and Emulsion Storage Facility at Mt Whaleback • Rapid Growth Project 6 Port • Warrawandu Village • Orebody 24 (OB24) • Chichester Rail Deviation • Rail Infrastructure Expansion at Mooka and Boodarie Depot • Yarnima power station • Ore Car Repair Shop • Nelson Point Shiploaders Replacement • Orebodies 29/30/35 (OB29/30/35) Below Water Table (BWT) Mining • Newman Water Treatment Plant • Port throughput 270 Mtpa • Newman Hub 80 Mtpa • Mining Orebody 32 (OB32) Above Water Table (AWT) • Mining Orebody (OB31) • Mining Orebody (OB35) Pit - Optimisation • Mining Orebody 25 (OB25) W • Orebody 31 (OB31) Creek Discharge Access Road • Orebody 25 (OB25) Mobile Crusher • Tailings Storage Facility Wall Lift • Tailings Storage Facility Diversion • Construct Newman Pipeline (Jimblebar pipeline connection) • Yarnima Power Station Upgrade (including connection to new 132 KV Goldsworthy powerline) • Newman Upgrades from 70 Mtpa to 82 Mtpa • Fixed Flashbutt Welding Facility • Ore Handling Plant 4 (OHP4) Fines Conveyor & Stacker Upgrades • Orebody 35 (OB35) Pit Optimisation • Port Debottlenecking Project 1 • Construction of Wind Fence at Nelson Point • Whaleback Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) Wall Lift • Western Ridge Development

	• Jimblebar Train Load Out The following proposals were approved in FY2026: • Port Debottlenecking Project 2 • Yarnima Temporary Power Station (Variation) • Inland Power Generation 1
Current status of mining operation	Operating
Project commodity	Brockman and Marra Mamba Iron Ore
Year site commenced	1965
Mine Closure Plans	• Mt Whaleback Mine Closure Plan Rev 1 August 2023 was submitted to EPA with a copy also provided to DMPE in support of the Yarnima Power Station (Gas Reciprocating Engine) Significant Proposal Section 38 - Assessment on Referred Information (ARI) • The Western Ridge Mine Closure Plan (Revision 1) April 2026 is an updated Mine Closure Plan submitted to EPA with a copy also provided to DPME. • The Eastern Ridge Mine Closure Plan (Revision 4.0) was submitted to DWER and DMPE in December 2025 and is an update to the Mine Closure Plan Submitted in 2022 (Revision 3.1). Revision 4.0 was submitted to satisfy three-yearly review and revision requirements stipulated by condition 9-3 of Ministerial Statement 1037 and condition 15-6 of Ministerial Statement 1105, as well as to support the Orebody 32 Below Water Table Creek Discharge Derived Proposal. • The Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment was approved on 8 December 2025 where MS439, MS1012, MS1021 and MS1126 were amalgamated into MS1262. The MCP submitted with the proposal combined the previous OB17/18/31 (Rev1) and Jimblebar (Rev 3) Mine Closure Plans into the Jimblebar Hub Mine Closure Plan (Rev 0). • Orebody 29/30/35 Mine Closure Plan (Revision 7) December 2024 was provided to EPA (and in copy to DMPE) as a triannual update for MS 963
Licences and Permits	Licences and Permits as listed are all reported to relevant regulatory bodies as per the set requirements of those individual Licences or Permits. • Operating Licences (please see Section 2 of this report) L4503/1975/14, L4513/1969/18, L5415/1988/9, L6942/1997/13, L8665/2012/1, L8803/2013/1, L9438/2024/1, L9439/2024/1 • Ministerial Statements (please see Section 3 of this report) MS439, MS478, MS818, MS963, MS1012, MS1021, MS1037, MS1126, MS1105, MS1243, MS1266 • Vegetation Clearing Permits - DWER (please see Section 4 of this report) CPS 3445 • Vegetation Clearing Permits - DEMIRS (please see Section 5 of this report) CPS 2160, CPS 2296, CPS 2527, CPS 2814, CPS 3012, CPS 3215, CPS 3373, CPS 3547, CPS 3596, CPS 3609, CPS 3843, CPS 4094,CPS 4468, CPS 4469, CPS 4521, CPS 4619, CPS 4676, CPS 4677, CPS 4875, CPS 5105, CPS 5433, CPS 5617, CPS 5926, CPS 5990, CPS 6469, CPS 6762, CPS 6924, CPS 7009, CPS 7374, CPS 7525, CPS 7647 • Validation Notices Revised Jimblebar Optimisation Project, Newman Hub Western Ridge, East Pilbara Surplus Water Drilling, Jimblebar Significant Amendment, Orebody 29/30/35, Orebody 25 West, Mooka Rail Works,

* The Sites/Projects section of the above table has been amended to include details of WA Iron Ore (WAIO) Operational Areas that are pursuant to State Agreement Acts.



Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964 (WA)

- All State Agreement Boundaries
- State Agreement Boundary
- Rehabilitation FY 26
- Baseline Footprint
- Baseline Rehabilitation
- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Other

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6.1.3 Site Operations

Project activity for previous 12 months

Mining: Mining activities occurred at Mt Whaleback, Orebodies 29/30/35/ Eastern Syncline, Bills Hill, Orebodies 24/25/32, Orebody 31 and commencement of mining activity at Western Ridge, as per the WAIO Mining Plan for FY2026.

Exploration: Exploration activities continued throughout FY2026 across multiple project areas within ML244SA, including Whaleback (Mt Whaleback, OB29, OB30, OB35 and Xanadu), Jinidi (OB12, OB13, OB16, OB41 and Jinidi Flats), Eastern Ridge (OB23, OB24 and OB25), Shovelanna (OB31 and Boogaloo), Homestead (OB28, OB32, OB33), Cathedral Gorge (Mudd and Maru), East Ophthalmia (OB21/22, OB42), Mesa Gap (OB34 and Mishmash) and South Parmelia (OB27).

Projects and Infrastructure: FY2026 projects and infrastructure works included the completion of OB32 Surplus Water Project, progression of the Western Ridge Crusher nearing project completion, and ongoing contaminated sites investigation and remediation projects.

Planned activity for next 12 months

Mining: Mining is to be conducted as per the FY2027 mining plan, which includes ongoing mining in existing pits (Mt Whaleback, Orebodies 29/30/35/ Eastern Syncline, Xanadu , Orebodies 24/25/32 and Orebody 31), as well as further expansion into Western Ridge through Silver Knight and Mount Helen pits.

Exploration: Exploration activities are planned for FY2027 within ML244SA, targeting several key areas including Whaleback (Mt Whaleback, OB29 and OB30), Jinidi (OB13, OB14, OB15, OB16, OB41 and Jinidi Flats), Eastern Ridge (OB23, OB24), Shovelanna (OB18 and OB31), South Parmelia (OB4, OB27 and Dolomite Downs), Homestead (OB33 and OB36), East Ophthalmia (OB21/22) and Mesa Gap (OB34).

Projects and Infrastructure: Currently the proposed FY2027 projects and infrastructure works include the commencement of the OB32 Surplus Water Project Stage 2, project completion of the Western Ridge Crusher Project, commencement of the Mount Whaleback tailing storage facility 3 Wall Raise and ongoing contaminated sites investigation and remediation project.

6.1.4 Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

The below table provides the land disturbance and rehabilitation totals for the approvals reported in this AER which intersect with the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*.

Note that some of these approval boundaries intersect multiple State Agreements (see Map 6-1) and data has not been clipped to State Agreement boundaries. The below is not a sum of all land disturbance and rehabilitation against this State Agreement, it is a summary of the land disturbance and rehabilitation against the approvals which intersect with the State Agreement.

Note further that the previous land use has not been recorded for all rehabilitation polygons, therefore some (rehabilitation) previous land use type has been classified as ‘Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table’ by default as per the corresponding MRF definitions.

Table 6-1 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for NVCPs under the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) State Agreement Act 1964*

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
2160/4	79.59	44.88
2161/8	605.40	301.32
2296/5	177.60	88.39
2527/5	52.18	18.54
2814/3	45.34	0.42
3012/4	136.65	29.09
3215/4	44.33	0.00
3373/4	27.01	24.80
3445/5	52.30	6.54
3547/5	260.97	84.19
3609/5	63.18	2.44
3843/2	39.70	17.62
4094/4	154.95	91.74
4468/4	471.24	477.29
4469/3	4.83	0.00
4619/3	21.79	10.24
4677/6	184.26	76.75
4875/4	54.07	10.44
5105/3	362.40	0.00
5433/2	67.04	37.65
5617/6	1037.72	360.59
5926/8	387.65	237.05
5990/2	157.07	47.50
6234/1	19.40	0.00
6469/1	22.94	18.31

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
6762/2	1.47	0.00
6924/4	1.17	0.00
7009/4	224.40	25.10
7374/3	289.17	251.49
7525/2	5.42	0.00
7647/1	12.77	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2)

Table 6-2 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements under the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) State Agreement Act 1964*

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
439 and 1012	Borefield	0.40	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	1.43	0.00
	Dam fresh water	2.18	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	6.27	0.00
	Evaporation pond	0.71	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	0.35	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	14.13	11.76
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	48.26	18.84
	Laydown or hardstand area	4.32	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	5.75	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	42.08	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	190.43	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	70.90	
	Plant site	2.63	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	62.76	0.00
	Sewage pond	0.38	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	20.19	0.05
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	137.94	4.88
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	83.44	39.19
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	52.06	52.06
	Workshop	2.36	0.00
478	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.01	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	0.15	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	6.34	5.63
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	7.84	0.08
	Landfill site	1.14	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	2.92	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	18.18	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	16.96	1.70
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	20.49	0.33
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	26.64	17.03
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	0.50	0.00
1021	Borefield	0.29	0.00
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	5.90	4.10
	Diversion channel or drain	10.73	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	29.16	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	16.90	7.32
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	8.80	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	263.50	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	50.79	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	149.11	0.00
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	6.34	0.00
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	202.76	0.00
1037	Borefield	1.10	0.56
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	0.63	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	3.24	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	8.64	0.00
	Evaporation pond	3.02	0.00

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Fuel storage facility	1.37	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	238.93	134.19
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	84.03	3.16
	Laydown or hardstand area	50.80	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	25.59	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	813.75	3.88
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	19.37	0.00
	Not Applicable	8.85	0.00
	Plant site	14.16	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	68.91	0.00
	Sewage pond	0.74	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.15	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 2)	0.04	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	42.48	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	411.66	57.48
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	531.50	80.87
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	22.34	3.02
	Workshop	7.27	0.00

1126	Borefield	17.82	0.00
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	134.01	86.78
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	8.45	0.00
	Dam fresh water	5.33	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	40.81	0.00
	Evaporation pond	3.66	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.25	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	422.31	179.76
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	197.98	0.00
	Landfill site	1.24	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	164.51	1.07
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	89.55	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.84	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1103.56	1.80
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	658.82	0.00
	Plant site	63.09	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	475.52	82.46
	Sewage pond	2.90	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	247.11	4.85
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1088.87	11.27
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	769.76	128.37
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	212.19	49.42
	Workshop	21.03	0.00

1262	Borefield	18.72	0.00
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	141.72	90.88
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	9.88	0.00
	Dam fresh water	7.51	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	58.35	0.00
	Evaporation pond	4.37	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.60	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	482.28	198.84
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	277.69	18.84
	Landfill site	1.24	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	174.57	1.07
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	95.30	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	156.92	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1322.15	1.80
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	995.01	0.00
	Plant site	65.72	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	564.21	82.46
	Sewage pond	3.28	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	318.09	4.90
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1389.75	16.15

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	965.84	167.56
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	506.59	101.49
	Workshop	23.39	0.00
1266	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.46	0.00
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0.18	0.00
1105 Western Ridge	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	200.60	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	4.82	0.00
	Dam fresh water	0.94	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	3.70	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.03	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	415.90	3.39
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	158.32	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	37.35	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	15.94	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	149.59	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	3.88	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.00	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	28.15	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	55.23	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	282.10	0.03
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	128.53	0.00
MS1105 Orebody 32	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	39.06	23.13
1072	Airstrip	98.27	0.00
	Borefield	19.22	2.33
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	380.09	314.74
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	75.70	1.63
	Dam fresh water	4.96	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	37.25	0.00
	Evaporation pond	0.63	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.71	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.46	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	1410.74	849.64
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1378.50	4.44
	Landfill site	32.59	1.71
	Laydown or hardstand area	193.06	122.03
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	9.56	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.20	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1893.57	1.06
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1577.58	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.23	0.00
	Plant site	41.49	0.00
	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	11.93	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	120.70	3.23
	Sewage pond	14.26	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	1.20	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	208.51	5.35
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	3036.26	286.53
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	480.67	125.13
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1102.10	0.00
	Workshop	17.03	0.00

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6.1.5 Materials Balance

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Production Details for each site.

6.1.6 Environmental Management

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Environmental Management Details.

6.1.7 AMD Management

As described in Section 1.10, WAIO has adopted the BHP Mined Materials Management Global Standard that outlines minimum requirements for consistent and practicable AMD management across all WAIO Operations including State Agreement Act sites.

Project activity for previous 12 months

Mt Whaleback:

- Reviewing the collected data from instrumentation installed in legacy OSAs at Mt Whaleback, with the purpose to improve the understanding of pyritic material reactions and AMD generation and transport in OSAs.
- Finalised collation and assessment of long-term field studies of store and release cover systems installed at Mt Whaleback. The field monitoring program aimed to verify the infield performance of cover systems to inform closure options and strategies at Mt Whaleback and across the WAIO portfolio. The report provided by the consultant is under review. Completed internal audits and reviews to verify that AMD management controls are in place and being used.
- Continued environmental geochemical sampling and testing program (i.e., testing of Mt Whaleback black shale samples and analogous rock types sampled from nearby Western Ridge deposit).
- Continued integration of AMD and self-heating risk classification into distribution models using primary assays.
- Finalised scope for a geotechnical and geochemical drilling program to continue investigations of the hydrogeological setting of W39/ARD facility. Executed components of the associated detailed field program.
- Continued with drilling programme based on outcomes of the conceptual post-closure groundwater SPR assessment.
- Completed operational thermo-geochemical model to support optimisation of current dumping strategies at W28 OSA entailing utilisation of low S waste (WPZ) for internal encapsulation of waste prone to self-ignition (WPC) in addition to or instead of clean waste.
- Development of an operational thermo-geochemical model to evaluate an alternative dumping strategy for waste prone to self-ignition (WPC), enabling the storage of this material, traditionally directed to W28 OSA, at W38 ISA. The thermo-geochemical modelling completed by KCB demonstrated that this highly reactive material could be safely stored in-pit, provided the design criteria were implemented as intended. The revised dumping strategy was implemented starting in December 2025.
- Scoped surface gas monitoring field program (R&D) to assess if gas flux through OSAs and ISAs containing waste at potential for self-ignition and / or AMD generation and can be detected and quantified utilizing instrumentation installed on the surface of the landforms.
- Progressed outfitting and calibration of a weather station to monitor environmental conditions near W38.
- Ongoing monitoring of constructed large-scale lysimeters to assess the effect of native vegetation on net percolation.

Eastern Ridge:

- Continued backfilling of OB25 Pit 3 with inert waste to minimise the long-term risks of exposed pyritic material in the pit walls and floor from potentially degrading local water resources and to mitigate the risk of creek capture.
- Installation of five (5) groundwater monitoring bores as informed by the SPR assessment and groundwater review.
- Completed closure assessment knowledge base for Eastern Ridge, identifying knowledge gaps to be addressed in future studies.
- Continued environmental geochemical sampling and testing program (i.e., testing of analogous rock types sampled from nearby OB2122 deposit).

OB17/18/31

- Continued OB18 improved pit water quality modelling in support of in-pit tailings management options.
- Completed desktop investigation to assess current closure knowledge base to support potential partial closure study.
- Continued collection of OB18 pit water samples for water quality analysis.
- Reviewed Avon PAF cell backfill monitoring strategy to support development of closure criteria.
- Initiated detailed water quality assessment for Jimblebar Mine.

Planned activity for next 12 months

Mt Whaleback:

- Review report assessing the outcome of the long-term field studies of store and release cover systems and implement recommendations, as applicable.
- Continue site assessment and interpretation of monitoring data from instrumentation installed in legacy OSAs to support closure designs, identify appropriate AMD management strategy and define additional monitoring requirements, as applicable.
- Develop scope of works to install monitoring equipment in W28 and/or W38 to validate thermos-geochemical models.
- Develop a thermo-geochemical closure model to assess the long-term performance of the W38 landform under the current WPC storage strategy and inform closure planning

- Continue in-pit identification, segregation, selective handling and strategic placement of PAF and NAF waste within OSAs/ISAs to minimise the potential for AMD generation, spontaneous combustion and contaminant transport.
- Continue audit verification and reviews to ensure AMD management controls are in place and work as intended.
- Continuation of pathway and receptor AMD risk assessment for key risk domains and integrate with AMD source hazard assessment to refine AMD conceptual site model.
- Continuation of implementation plan to address identified gaps in water quality data collection to address closure water quality objectives and continue with hydrological drilling program.
- Update 3D waste block model for W38 (in-pit PAF rock dump) with relevant new information (including potential gas flow data), new dumping strategy, and recent waste movement to support future AMD modelling certainty and monitoring. This task is being delayed in FY2026 due to constraints on data availability.
- Implement gas flow measure at W38 (in-pit PAF rock dump) as per scoping study conducted in FY2026.
- Install weather stations to monitor environmental conditions near W38.
- Continue with geotechnical and geochemical drilling program to continue investigations of the hydrogeological setting of W39/ARD facility.
- Ongoing monitoring tasks for the lysimeter trail sites to support understanding the effects of native vegetation on net percolation.

Eastern Ridge:

- Refine strategy for final rehabilitation of OB23 domain, including the in-pit backfill and adjacent OSA
- Continue backfilling of OB25 Pit 3 with inert waste to minimise the risk of exposed pyritic material in the pit walls and floor from potentially degrading local water resources and mitigate the risk for creek capture.
- Continue opportunistic sampling of mine waste for routine environmental geochemical testwork.
- Update the AMD risk assessment for OB23, OB24 and OB25.
- Based on the outcomes of the AMD assessment, develop scope and initiate sampling and testing of waste rock to validate SPR linkages, such as assessing geochemical behaviour of backfilled material in saturated conditions.
- Continue with conceptual post-closure groundwater SPR assessment and review of current ground water monitoring network; outcomes to inform on the development of an optimised groundwater monitoring network with the aim to develop baseline water quality for closure completion criteria.
- Continue with closure assessment knowledge base for Eastern Ridge and conceptual closure studies.

OB17/18/31

- Continue to monitor OB18 pit water quality.
- Continue desktop investigations to support potential partial closure study.
- Landform design work to support closure of the Blackwood OSA PAF cells.

Outcomes of Waste Characterisation and PAF Management Design Refinement

Over recent years a range of waste characterisation studies have been conducted, these include:

- Physical characterisation and erosion modelling studies conducted in 2018 and an assessment of the erosion performance of the rehabilitated slope of W19 in 2016.
- Assessments conducted in 2016 and 2017 of the suitability of different materials for use as low flux layers in PAF cover systems.
- Geochemical testing and characterisation studies including:
  - 2018 – Kinetic testing of sulfidic Mt McRae Shale wall rock to quantify acidity generation rates from wall rock;
  - 2018 – Kinetic testing of Mt Whaleback OSA materials;
  - Static testing of PAF materials within OSAs (various studies completed between 2015 and 2019);
  - 2021 – Static and kinetic testing to define geochemical properties of tailings;
  - 2021 – 2022 Spontaneous combustion testwork for end-members and mix stratigraphic units;
  - 2022 – Kinetic testing (OxCon) of pyritic waste as a function of moisture; and
  - 2021-2023 – Adiabatic cell testwork to assess reactivity of pyritic waste (spontaneous combustion).

Studies conducted to assist in the refinement of designs to manage PAF materials, including those at potential for self-ignition, include:

- An assessment of the performance of PAF cover trials established at Mt Whaleback between 1997 and 2014 to inform the cover options selected for W40 slopes.
- A cover options assessment conducted for the top of W40 in 2017, based on modelling supported by data from the cover trials performance assessment.
- A closure design failure models and effects analysis workshop to inform the W39 final landform design in 2017.
- Spontaneous combustion testwork conducted on selected stratigraphic units to assess optimal operational and closure design.
- OxCon (kinetic testwork) to assess sulphide oxidation rates as a function of moisture.
- Ongoing update of guidance documents related to the management of chemically and physically hazardous mined materials, including the development of a decision framework to optimise landform locations for greenfield projects.

- 2026 – W28 thermo-geochemical model: assessed the use of low-sulphur PAF waste in place of inert material as the encapsulation layer for WPC waste, a waste type with an elevated tendency to undergo self-heating. Modelling indicated that the proposed change would not materially affect the long-term performance of the W28 OSA and remained consistent with the existing waste management approach.
- 2026 W38 Thermo-geochemical model: assessed the placement of WPC waste, a waste type with an elevated tendency to self-heat, within the W38 in-pit storage area, which already receives other PAF waste streams. The assessment considered an encapsulated disposal approach consistent with that applied at W28 and restricted WPC placement to four designated areas within W38. Modelling indicated that the proposed design was suitable for the planned storage configuration and aligned with site waste management objectives.

Outcomes of the waste characterisation PAF management studies and operational controls at Mt Whaleback are summarised in the Mt Whaleback Mine Closure Plan (MCP) that was submitted to the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (DJTSI) in February 2022, noting the new waste management strategies assessed and implemented in 2026, as reported above.

Hydro-geochemical assessment of Pit Voids/OSAs

Work performed to support hydro-geochemical assessment of pit voids/OSAs includes:

- FY2015–to–date – PAF monitoring sensors were installed in OSAs W23, W29 and W39. The data from the instrumentation has been used to inform PAF seepage estimates and modelling and cover designs for OSAs. Monitoring is ongoing while the data are undergoing 3rd party review and (re)interpretation.
- FY2016–to–date – a drilling program was completed in OSAs W22, W23, W29 and W39 with sampling used to support estimates of potential and stored acidity within the OSAs.
- FY2017 – monitoring equipment was installed in OSA W40 in association with the cover trials implemented on slopes of the landform.
- FY2017 – an acidity seepage assessment was completed for OSA W39.
- FY2018 – utilising the monitoring and modelling information from the previous four years, preliminary pit lake water quality modelling was conducted. This identified a number of uncertainties associated with the quantities, quality and timing of seepage that may enter the pit lake.
- FY2021 – review of seepage water quality from W38 in–pit OSA.
- FY2021 – collection of in-pit water quality samples to provide source terms for and updated pit water quality model, Whaleback pit.
- FY2021-FY2023 – commenced detailed reconstruction of 3D model (block model) for W38 in pit OSA. The model is complete to 2022 as dumped volumes, as per data availability.
- FY2021-FY2022 – Conducted detailed pit water quality modelling for OB31, OB17/18 and OB35.
- FY2022-FY2025 – Conducted detailed pit water quality modelling for OB18 to support waste/tailings disposal options.
- FY2021 – Completed a preliminary water quality assessment for Whaleback mine (ex-OB29/30/35).
- FY2023 – Completed a detailed water quality assessment for Whaleback mine and OB29/30/35.
- FY2023 – Completed a detailed water quality assessment for Eastern Ridge mine.
- FY2024-FY2025 – Completed conceptual post-closure groundwater SPR assessments and review of the current groundwater monitoring network to inform the development of an optimised groundwater monitoring network with the aim to develop baseline water quality for closure completion criteria.

This information has been utilised to inform closure planning forward works program to address uncertainties.

Following completion of the next phase (five years) of further works (2025-2030) to update assessments of seepage (drilling, monitoring and cover performance assessments), the updated information will inform the water chemistry of the seepage as it moves through the groundwater, which will enable the pit lake water quality modelling to be refined and any transport away from the pit to be assessed.

6.2 Iron Ore (McCameys Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972

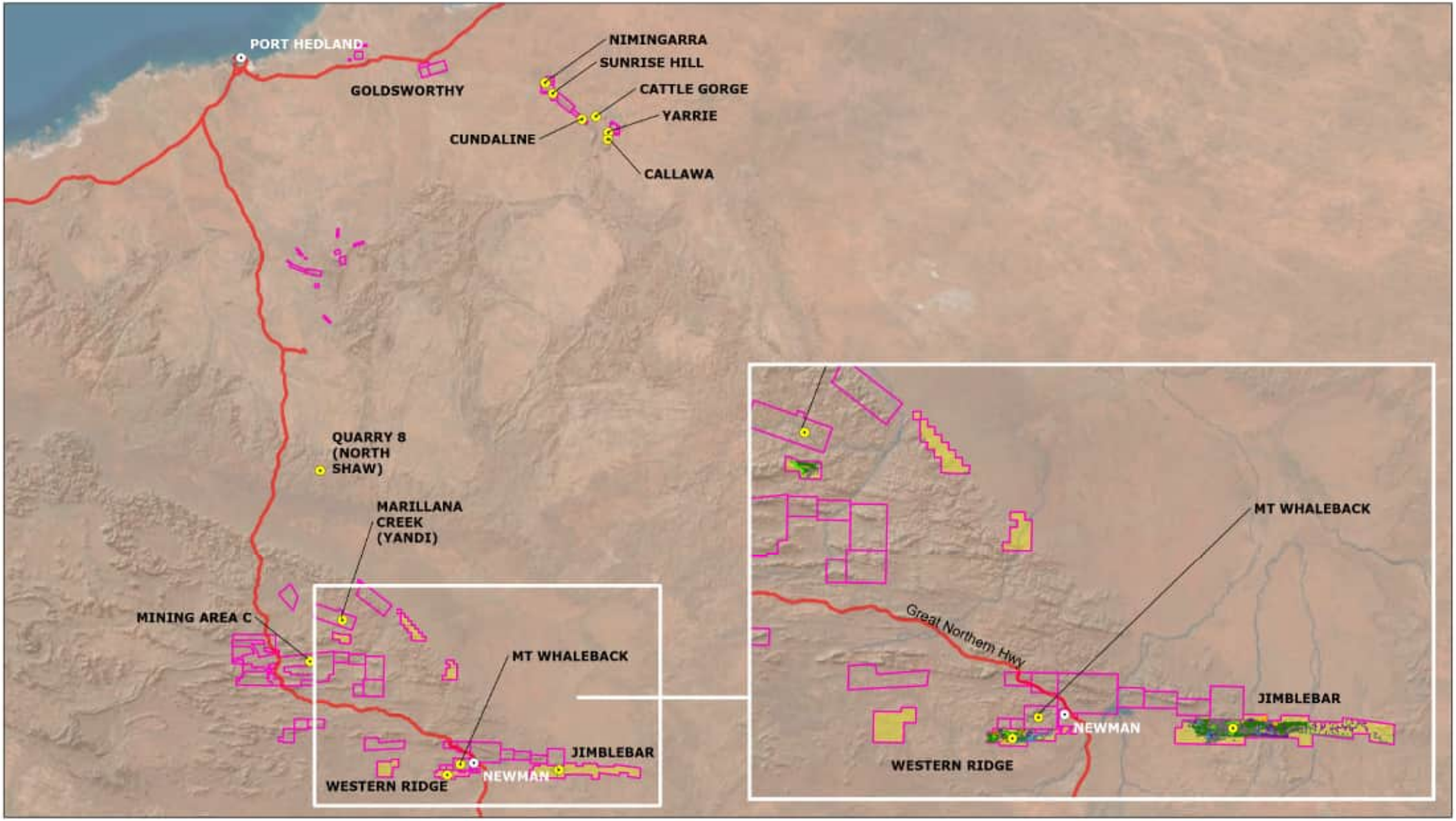
6.2.1 Objectives of Reporting

To provide an overview of the extent of mining operations, environmental management and rehabilitation activities carried out under the *Iron Ore (McCamey's Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972* for the FY2026 reporting period.

6.2.2 Site Summary Table

State Agreement	*Iron Ore (McCameys Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972*
Operational Areas	• Jimblebar • Western Ridge
Tenements listed under State Agreement	• Mining Lease 266SA • General Lease I126948 • Miscellaneous Licence 52/199
Proposals approved under State Agreement	Since 1988, the proposals approved under this State Agreement are: • Development of McCamey's Monster • Further Development of McCamey's Monster Iron Ore Deposit Stage 2 Bedrock Mining at Ferro Gully • Extension to Mining Period Stage II Development to allow mining of additional 3 Mt) • Stage II Development Extension in Ferro Gully area of Jimblebar (mining an additional 10 mt of bedrock ore) • Development of Stage 3 • Extension of Mining at Wheelarra Hill W4 (Jimblebar) • In-Principle Consents - Increased Production to 15 Mtpa (from W3 proposal) • Extension at Wheelarra Hill (Jimblebar) to Orebody W3 to 15Mtpa • Rail Passing Track/Loop at Jimblebar • RGP6 Early Earth Works RGP6 in Wheelarra Hill Range • Jimblebar Mine Expansion and associated infrastructure -15 Mtpa to 35 Mtpa • Wheelarra Hill Iron Ore Operations (initial proposals) • Jimblebar Stretch Assist Project • Wheelarra 5/6 Borefield • South Jimblebar Dewatering • Jimblebar Expansion 35Mtpa to 45Mtpa • Jimblebar Expansion to 50 Mtpa • Connection of Jimblebar OSA to Mount Newman JV OSA (by way of letter) • OB35 Pit Extension • Construction of McCamey's Pipeline • Jimblebar Expansion up to 65 Mtpa (JBSA 1) • Jimblebar Expansion up to 75 Mtpa • Western Ridge Diversion Drain • Jimblebar Optimisation • Eastern Syncline/Orebody 35 (OB35) Pit Extension • Rectification of Jimblebar Train Load Out (TLO) Facility • Western Ridge Development • Jimblebar East Enabling Works The following proposals were approved in FY2026: • Jimblebar Northern • Jimblebar East
Current status of mining operation	Operating
Project commodity	Brockman Iron Ore
Year site commenced	2005 - Wheelarra Hill Iron Ore Operations
Mine Closure Plan	The Jimblebar Hub Significant Amendment was approved on 8 December 2025 where MS439, MS1012, MS1021 and MS1126 were amalgamated into MS1262. The MCP submitted with the proposal combined the previous OB17/18/31 (Rev1) and Jimblebar (Rev 3) Mine Closure Plans into the Jimblebar Hub Mine Closure Plan (Rev 0). Ministers North was declared a Derived Proposal by the EPA on 9 June 2026. The Part IV primary approval was received on 15 June 2026. The Ministers North Closure Plan (Rev 1) was submitted in October 2025 to support the Part IV approval.
Licences and Permits	Licences and Permits as listed are all reported to relevant regulatory bodies as per the set requirements of those individual Licences or Permits. Operating Licences (please see Section 2 of this report): • L4503/1975/14; L5415/1988/9. Works Approvals: • W6857/2023/1 (Western Ridge Crusher Works Approval) Ministerial Statement (please see Section 3 of this report): • MS 963, MS 1126 Notice, MS1262 Native Vegetation Clearing Permits granted by DEMIRS (please see Section 5 of this report) • CPS 2161, CPS 2296, CPS 2814, CPS 3609, CPS 5250, CPS 5617, CPS 5925, CPS 5926, CPS 6671, CPS 7009, CPS 7260, CPS 7272, CPS 7374, CPS 8033, CPS 8123, CPS 9178. • Validation Notices • Jimblebar Optimisation Project, Jimblebar Significant Amendment

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- Baseline Footprint
- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Other

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6.2.3 Site Operations

Project activity for previous 12 months

Mining: Activities occurred at Wheelarra, Hashimoto, South Jimblebar, and Orebody 18 and Orebody 31 deposits and regions.

Exploration: Exploration activities was undertaken during FY2026 within M266SA across several key areas, including Wheelarra (WH1/2, WH4, WH5/6), Hashimoto (H1, H2/3, H4, East Jimblebar and Crowes Nest), Caramulla (Lawson and 13 Creek), South Jimblebar (Capricorn, Mindoona, Painkiller, Sylvania), Western Ridge (Bill's Hill, Silver Knight, Mt Helen, Eastern Syncline).

Projects and Infrastructure: Project work included Jimblebar East development and TLO Replacement, Flood Bund Extension, and constructions at Orebody 31 and South Jimblebar area, Major pipeline relocations to support mine development.

Planned activity for next 12 months

Mining: Activities will follow the FY2027 mining plan across Wheelarra, Hashimoto, South Jimblebar, and Orebody 18 and Orebody 31, with the mine expanding to East Jimblebar deposit as a new area. Commencement of mining activities at MN

Exploration: Exploration activities are planned for FY2027 within M266SA, targeting key areas including Hashimoto (East Jimblebar, H2/3, H4), Wheelarra (W1/2 and W5/6), South Jimblebar (Painkiller, Sylvania), Caramulla (East Jimblebar, Lawson, Paterson, Thirteen Creek), Ministers North (Ministers North), and Western Ridge (Coombanbunna Well, Bill's Hill, Silver Knight and Eastern Syncline).

Projects and Infrastructure: Planned works include Jimblebar East development, TLO Replacement, Major pipeline relocations will continue, and Flood Bund construction will begin for Hashimoto area. Ministers North pre-strip and initial infrastructure.

6.2.4 Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

The below table provides the land disturbance and rehabilitation totals for the approvals reported in this AER which intersect the *Iron Ore (McCamey's Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972*.

Note that some of these approval boundaries intersect multiple State Agreements (see Map 6-2) and data has not been clipped to State Agreement boundaries. The below is not a sum of all land disturbance and rehabilitation against this State Agreement, it is a summary of the land disturbance and rehabilitation against the approvals which intersect with the State Agreement.

Note further that the previous land use has not been recorded for all rehabilitation polygons, therefore some (rehabilitation) previous land use type has been classified as '*Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table'* by default as per the corresponding MRF definitions.

Table 6-3 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for NVCPs under the *Iron Ore (McCamey's Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972*

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
2161/8	605.40	301.32
2296/5	177.60	88.39
2814/3	45.34	0.42
3609/5	63.18	2.44
4875/4	54.07	10.44
5617/6	1037.72	360.59
5926/8	387.65	237.05
6671/2	2.47	0.43
7009/4	224.40	25.10
7260/1	2.43	0.00
7374/3	289.17	251.49
8033/2	139.72	124.16
8123/2	159.49	30.12
9178/3	9.75	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 6-4 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements under the *Iron Ore (McCameys Monster) Agreement Authorisation Act 1972*

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
1126	Borefield	17.82	0.00
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	134.01	86.78
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	8.45	0.00
	Dam fresh water	5.33	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	40.81	0.00
	Evaporation pond	3.66	0.00

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Fuel storage facility	1.25	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	422.31	179.76
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	197.98	0.00
	Landfill site	1.24	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	164.51	1.07
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	89.55	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.84	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1103.56	1.80
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	658.82	0.00
	Plant site	63.09	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	475.52	82.46
	Sewage pond	2.90	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	247.11	4.85
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1088.87	11.27
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	769.76	128.37
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	212.19	49.42
	Workshop	21.03	0.00
1262	Borefield	18.72	0.00
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	141.72	90.88
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	9.88	0.00
	Dam fresh water	7.51	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	58.35	0.00
	Evaporation pond	4.37	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.60	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.73	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	482.28	198.84
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	277.69	18.84
	Landfill site	1.24	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	174.57	1.07
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	95.30	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	156.92	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1322.15	1.80
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	995.01	0.00
	Plant site	65.72	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	564.21	82.46
	Sewage pond	3.28	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	0.17	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	318.09	4.90
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	1389.75	16.15
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	965.84	167.56
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	506.59	101.49
	Workshop	23.39	0.00
1266	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	0.46	0.00
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	0.18	0.00
1105 Western Ridge	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	200.60	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	4.82	0.00
	Dam fresh water	0.94	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	3.70	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.03	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	415.90	3.39
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	158.32	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	37.35	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	15.94	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	149.59	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	3.88	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.00	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	28.15	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	55.23	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	282.10	0.03
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	128.53	0.00

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
1072	Airstrip	98.27	0.00
	Borefield	19.22	2.33
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	380.09	314.74
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	75.70	1.63
	Dam fresh water	4.96	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	37.25	0.00
	Evaporation pond	0.63	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.71	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.46	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	1410.74	849.64
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1378.50	4.44
	Landfill site	32.59	1.71
	Laydown or hardstand area	193.06	122.03
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	9.56	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.20	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1893.57	1.06
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1577.58	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.23	0.00
	Plant site	41.49	0.00
	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	11.93	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	120.70	3.23
	Sewage pond	14.26	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	1.20	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	208.51	5.35
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	3036.26	286.53
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	480.67	125.13
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1102.10	0.00
	Workshop	17.03	0.00

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6.2.5 Materials Balance

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Production Details for each site.

6.2.6 Environmental Management

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Environmental Management Details.

6.2.7 AMD Management

As described in Section 1.10, WAIO has adopted the BHP Mined Materials Management Global Standard that outlines minimum requirements for consistent and practicable AMD management across all WAIO Operations including State Agreement Act sites.

Project activity for previous 12 months – MS from here

- Continued environmental geochemical sampling and testing program (i.e., testing of Wheelarra Hill OSA samples, collection of diamond core samples from East Jimblebar, testing of Western Ridge samples and analogous rock types sampled from nearby OB2122 deposit).
- Completed AMD source hazard assessment of W3/AX12 OSA to inform review of closure strategy.
- Continued integration of AMD and self-heating risk classification into distribution models using primary assays.
- Preliminary assessment of potential AMD-generating pit wall exposures to support wet weather planning.
- Initiated detailed water quality assessment for Jimblebar Mine.

Planned activity for next 12 months

- Continue routine environmental geochemical testwork for samples collected from the relevant orebodies, pending exploration or geotechnical investigations schedule.
- Continuing to conduct water quality monitoring review to assess potential processes influencing water quality, if any, to support verification of AMD controls, and to assess suitability of current site-specific trigger values for surface water and groundwater.
- Initiate project scoping to support ongoing assessment of potential AMD-generating pit wall exposures.

6.3 Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964

6.3.1 Objectives of Reporting

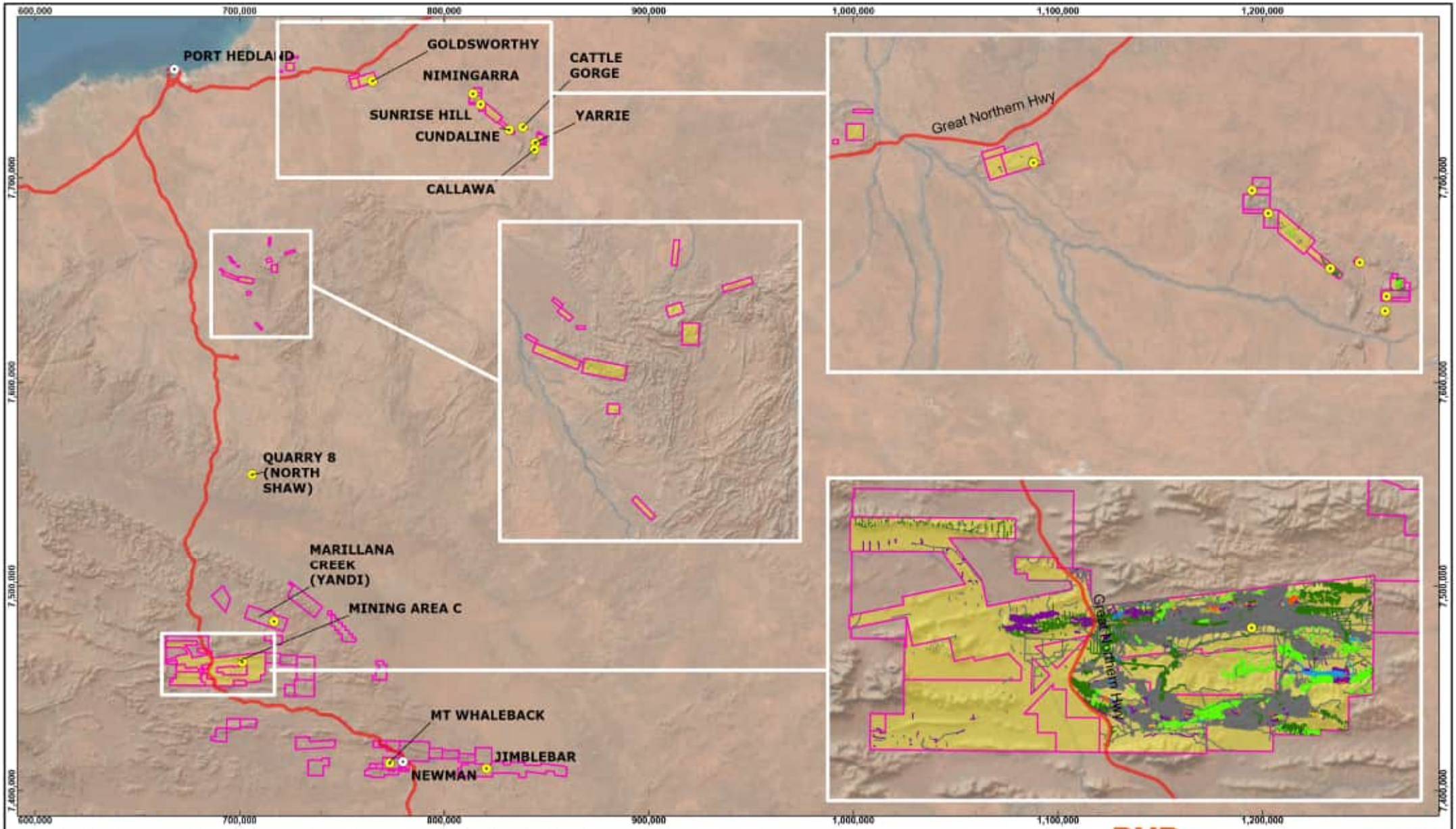
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6.3.2 Site Summary Table

State Agreement	*Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964*
Operational Areas	• Cattle Gorge • Cundaline • Finucane Island – Port Operations • Goldsworthy • Mining Area C (MAC) • Shay Gap • South Flank • Yarrie
Tenements listed under State Agreement	• Mineral Leases 235SA, 249SA, 281SA • General Purpose Leases 45/62 to 45/187, 45/189 to 45/194, 45/197 to 45/200, 45/220 to 45/224, 45/235 to 45/240, 45/242 to 45/256, 45/278 and 45/331 • Miscellaneous Licences 45/130, 45/190, 47/92, 47/95, 52/99, 52/184 and 52/185 • General Leases I123388, I123405, I123406, I123408, I123410, I123721, I126342, J998595, K693808, K693809, K693814 and M653978
Proposals approved under State Agreement	Since 1964, the proposals approved under this State Agreement are: • Original Proposal Mt Goldsworthy • Continued production from the Sunrise Hill/Shay gap Area Only • Dredging of Finucane Island Berthing Pocket • Goldsworthy Extension Project Notice of Intent (GML 1986) • Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase II Expansion – Proposal to Mine Yarrie Y10 (Kennedy Gap) • Land Requirements for Railway Line, Access Road, Haul Road and Associated • Infrastructure and Facilities – Area C • Development of the Marra Mamba Ore Deposits at Mining Area C, including Pelletising • Mine Yarrie Crustals • Products and Capacity Expansion Stage 1 Port Hedland (PACE Stage 1) • Development of Mining Area C • Mining Area C - C Deposit – 15 Mtpa • Development of Mining Area C – 22 Mtpa • Mining Area C (A, D, E and F Deposits) • Expansion of Area C (A, D, E and F Deposits) • Mining Area C - F Deposit • RGP 3 – Finucane Island • Extension of Mining at Y10 Deposit Kennedy Gap • RGP5 Dredging at Harriet Point • Mining Area C 55 Mtpa • RGP5 Landside Infrastructure, Port Hedland • Packsaddle Village Expansion at Area C • Mining of Cundaline and Callawa • Mining Area C P3 and D Deposits • Car Dumper 5 Finucane Island • Rail infrastructure Mooka and Boodarie • Goldsworthy Rail Duplication to Finucane Island • West Yard, Finucane Island • Mining Area C (B and P4 Deposit) • Mining Area C (P1 East Deposit) • Mining Area C 65 Mtpa • Port throughput 270 Mtpa • Mulla Mulla Camp Expansion • Mining Area C Surplus Water (Juna Downs) • P1 West (Mining Area C) • Mining Area C/South Flank Projects • P2 at Mining Area C • New Transmission Line and Switchyard Upgrade • Finucane Island Port Upgrades • Construction of Wind Fence at Finucane Island • Mining Area C, Rail Yeerabiddy • Mining Area C, F West Deposit (Dead End) • Mining Area C, R Deposit • Jimblebar East Enabling Works The following proposals were approved in FY2026:

	• Extend Below Water Table (BWT) mining at MAC Deposits: A; B; Packsaddle 1 West; Packsaddle 1 East; Packsaddle 3; and Packsaddle 4 and to construct haul roads from Packsaddle 4 to future Packsaddle 5 and 6 Deposits
Current status of mining operation	Operating
Project commodity	Brockman and Marra Mamba Iron Ore
Year site commenced	Goldsworthy 1965, Mining Area C 2001
Estimated life of mine*	MS1072 – 2073 * Estimated life of mine is as per current Part IV approval; this can be amended as required through the Section 45C process
Mine Closure Plan	Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan AML7000281 (Version 4.*0*) was formally endorsed by DWER on 27 June *2022*. Version 4.0 of the Mining Area C Mine Closure Plan was submitted to DWER on 01 November 2021. The Mine Closure Plan (Version 5.0) was submitted to DWER on 21 February 2025 and is currently under assessment as part of a s38 Referral. Please see Section 7 Rehabilitation and Closure for specific details pertaining to the Mine Closure Plan listed above
Licences and Permits	Licences and Permits as listed are all reported to relevant regulatory bodies as per the set requirements of those individual Licences or Permits. • Operating Licences (please see Section 2 of this report) L7851/2002/6 (Mining Area C), L5611/1993/11 (Yarrie), L4513/1969/18 (Port) • Ministerial Statements (please see Section 3 of this report) MS303, MS393, MS682, MS814, MS781, MS1072 • Vegetation Clearing Permits – DWER (please see Section 4 of this report) CPS 11168, CPS 11343/1 • Vegetation Clearing Permits – DEMIRS (please see Section 5 of this report) CPS 2104, CPS 4676, CPS 4831, CPS 5045, CPS 5105, CPS 5572, CPS 5924, CPS 6450, CPS 7009, CPS 7139, CPS 8936 • Validation Notices EPBC South Flank/Mining Area C Validation Notice, Yeerabiddy Rail Works

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6.3.3 Site Operations

Project activity for previous 12 months

Mining: Mining activities occurred at Mining Area C as per the WAIO Mining Plan for FY2026. This included new pit pushback called AE, as well as operations in existing pits AC, B, EC, EW, DE, PW, P1E2, P2, P3P4, P3P6 and P4. Mining was completed in CW which enabled commencement of CW backfill dump.

Mining activities at South Flank Operations during FY2026 were conducted in alignment with the WAIO Mining Plan. This included the commencement of mining in the newly developed R-Deposit, commencing pushback RA, and HD pit at Highway. Operations also continued within the established mining footprints of the Grand Central (GA, GC, GE), Highway (HB, HC, HH) and Vista Oriental (VA, VC, VD).

To support ongoing production, infrastructure development progressed across the operation, including the construction and expansion of haul roads to R-Deposit and VOVI, expansion of ROM facilities, and overburden storage areas (OSAs). In addition, backfilling activities commenced in several completed mining pits, including VOVB, HWHB, and GCGA.

Exploration: During FY2026, exploration activities were undertaken across ML235SA, ML249SA and ML281SA. Key targets were Packsaddle (Packsaddle 2, 3 and 4, West Packsaddle, East and West), North Flank (B, E and R Deposits, Dead End) and South Flank (Vista Oriental, Grand Central, Highway, B and R Deposits). Activities included drilling for resource definition, biodiversity and Geotechnical studies.

Projects and Infrastructure: Projects that occurred throughout FY2026 include the Autonomous Haulage South Flank, South Flank surplus water management and contaminated site investigations.

Planned activity for next 12 months

Mining: Mining activities will be conducted at Mining Area C as per the WAIO mine plan for FY2027. Multiple pit stages will be depleted FY2027, including EC2, P4P3, PW1 and AC23 which will enable or unlock more backfill capacity. New pit developments are scheduled to commence FY2027, including P4P4, P1E5 and DE11. Operations will also continue in existing pits AC, B, EC, EW, DE, PW, P1E2, P2, P3 and P4.

Mining activities at South Flank in FY2027 will continue in accordance with the approved mine plan. Development of the new Vista pit, VOVI, is scheduled to commence and will include the construction of a new access haul road. Construction of new haul roads accessing VJ (future Vista pushback), HH and HA (future Highway pushback) will commence in FY2027.

Operations will continue within the existing mining footprints of the Grand Central (GA, GC, GE), Highway (HB, HC, HD, HH), Vista Oriental (VA, VC, VD), and R deposits (RA), supported by ongoing backfilling activities. The backfill program will focus on in-pit dumping, continuing in the currently active backfill areas and expanding to include the VOVD and VOVA pits backfilling during FY2027.

Exploration:

Exploration activities are planned for FY2027 within ML244SA, ML251SA, ML281SA and ML249SA, with the main focus on Packsaddle (1 West, 3, and West Packsaddle Deposits), Northflank (A, B, C and E Deposits), Southflank (Vista Oriental, Grand Central, Highway, and B and R Deposits) and Tandanya (Fork North).

Projects and Infrastructure: Projects that will continue into FY2027 include the Autonomous Haulage South Flank, South Flank surplus water management and contaminated site investigations.

6.3.4 Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

The below table provides the land disturbance and rehabilitation totals for the approvals reported in this AER which intersect with the *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964*.

Note that some of these approval boundaries intersect multiple State Agreements (see Map 6-3) and data has not been clipped to State Agreement boundaries. The below is not a sum of all land disturbance and rehabilitation against this State Agreement, it is a summary of the land disturbance and rehabilitation against the approvals which intersect with the State Agreement.

Note further that the previous land use has not been recorded for all rehabilitation polygons, therefore some (rehabilitation) previous land use type has been classified as '*Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table'* by default as per the corresponding MRF definitions.

Table 6-5 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for NVCPs under the *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964*

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
4094/4	154.95	254.16
4619/3	21.79	91.74
4831/4	25.70	10.24
5105/3	362.40	2.93
5572/3	2.78	0.28
6450/2	36.24	24.92
7009/4	224.40	25.10
7139/4	904.16	305.43

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 6-6 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements under the *Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964*

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
303	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	37.45	34.00
	Dam fresh water	0.79	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	9.98	7.83
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	7.14	0.52
	Landfill site	0.50	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	2.83	2.83
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.19	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	107.11	118.98
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	86.78	0.00
	Plant site	1.97	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	21.76	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	0.65	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.40	19.93
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	146.26	68.65
393	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.82	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	0.18	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	109.59	0.00
	Laydown or hardstand area	2.30	2.30
	Sewage pond	7.09	7.09
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	201.60	184.88
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	35.79	9.00
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	21.13	21.13
682	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.83	0.49
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.62	0.00
	Dam fresh water	0.26	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	0.04	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1.41	0.59
	Laydown or hardstand area	1.22	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	26.18	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	17.01	0.03
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	6.09	4.97
	Topsoil stockpile	2.49	1.46
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.26	11.98
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	123.89	126.15
814	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.97	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.34	0.00
	Dam fresh water	1.01	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	0.06	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	28.31	27.97
	Laydown or hardstand area	5.22	4.91
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	53.54	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	0.23	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	5.50	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	99.05	4.93
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	54.68	0.00
1072	Airstrip	98.27	0.00
	Borefield	19.22	2.33
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	380.09	314.74
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	75.70	1.63
	Dam fresh water	4.96	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	37.25	0.00
	Evaporation pond	0.63	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.71	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.46	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	1410.74	849.64
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1378.50	4.44
	Landfill site	32.59	1.71
	Laydown or hardstand area	193.06	122.03

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	9.56	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.20	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1893.57	1.06
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1577.58	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.23	0.00
	Plant site	41.49	0.00
	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	11.93	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	120.70	3.23
	Sewage pond	14.26	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	1.20	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	208.51	5.35
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	3036.26	286.53
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	480.67	125.13
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1102.10	0.00
	Workshop	17.03	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

6.3.5 Materials Balance

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Production Details for each site.

6.3.6 Environmental Management

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Environmental Management Details.

6.3.7 AMD Management

As described in Section 1.10, WAIO has adopted the BHP Mined Materials Management Global Standard that outlines minimum requirements for consistent and practicable AMD management across all WAIO Operations including State Agreement Act sites.

(Mount) Goldsworthy Mine Site Acid and Metalliferous Drainage (AMD) Management

First reporting of AMD to regulators was initially in 2007, when BHP reported the presence of AMD, under the Contaminated Sites Act 2003 (CS Act) with DWER later in 2012 classifying the site as 'Possibly contaminated – investigation required'. During 2010 BHP applied for additional tenure related to AMD discharge from Billy Goat Hill OSA with G45/278 granted in 2012. Following granting of that tenure BHP provided a letter to DSD in 2013 that committed to a three-year program to investigate and characterise potentially acid forming (PAF) material causing AMD discharge from Billy Goat OSA, report progress annually in the AER, and consult DMP at the end of that period.

In 2016 BHP consulted DMP, DSD and DER on the AMD investigations and preliminary remediation options analysis, indicating further work was required. Feedback from DER recommended BHP to progress investigations under the Contaminated Site Act framework, in addition to other planned AMD studies and work.

BHP subsequently, completed a Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI) in 2018 and then initiated a Detailed Site Investigation (DSI) in 2019, including engaging a Contaminated Site Auditor (CSA). It was assessed that the DSI would serve a dual purpose to gather information appropriate for contaminated sites investigations but also include activities critical to understanding the wider site environment to inform AMD management studies.

During 2019 planning for more intensive fieldwork investigations BHP identified the need to engage key external non-regulatory stakeholders, such as the Ngarla People and pastoralists. These engagements would enable cultural heritage surveys, gain access to off-BHP tenure areas and allow application for a Native Vegetation Clearing Permit to support ground disturbance and fieldwork. Relationship building with stakeholders, since 2020, has been material to progressing planned investigations, though noting that COVID related delays and building stakeholder relationships resulted in slower than planned progress. However, non-regulatory engagements now continue from an improved position and BHP now has most approval and compliance mechanisms in place to allow execution of fieldwork. BHP plans to initiate DSI field activities in 2026 with activities progressing into 2027, activities involve a large program of drilling and testing groundwater monitoring bores and undertaking extensive soil sampling across the site over multiple months.

In addition to including updates in AERs, BHP has continued direct regulatory engagements/updates in relation to site investigations, including:

- DMPE in 2020, 2024 and recently in 2025; and
- DWER in 2023 (in addition to ongoing consultation and engagement with the nominated CSA)

Since 2023 BHP has been progressing an Identification Phase Study (IPS), an internal site-specific study, to investigate gaps in site closure knowledge (in addition to the DSI) with an aim to identifying an AMD management option. The IPS includes activities addressing the AMD knowledge base and investigating other site issues, such as remanent site debris and discarded materials from mining activities in the 1970s and 1980s.

Goldsworthy Northern Areas (GNA) Site Acid and Metalliferous Drainage (AMD) Management

Since 2023 BHP has undertaken an IPS to investigate closure and rehabilitation knowledge gaps and identify a pipeline of 'no regrets' progressive rehabilitation whilst the site remains under 'suspended mining'. The IPS has undertaken assessment of legacy areas having higher risk of AMD impacts, including some deposits at Shay Gap.

BHP has undertaken extensive works to assess potential AMD risk including:

- Drilling through the OSAs to identify locations of known or suspected potential acid forming material (PAF).
- Undertaking soil sampling programs near the base of OSAs.
- Drilling additional groundwater monitoring bores to supplement existing groundwater monitoring bores.
- Monitoring across the legacy areas, including:
  - Groundwater quality sampling and level monitoring.
  - Pit lake water column – water quality sampling.

Multiple desktop analysis/investigation of the existing and newly collected data (e.g. water balance modelling, analysis of seepage potential water source, conceptual site models, reconstruction of mining and OSA dumping progression, review of historical drillhole geochemistry and reconstruction of mining block models etc)

Information on these investigations were included in the GNA MCP (Revision 5.0) submitted in 2024. An update to this MCP is due to be submitted to DWER in August 2026 and will contain the latest knowledge base on BHPs investigations into AMD for this area.

Activities completed in last 12 months

(Mount) Goldsworthy:

IPS (AMD related activities)

- Planning for desktop assessment of monitoring data from AMD impacted OSAs in preparation for updating conceptual site models and numerical water balance modelling
- Progressing static and kinetic testing program, including reviewing drill core from the 2013 and 2017 drilling programs and selection of samples for retesting
- Stakeholder Engagement - Traditional Owner relationship building and consultation
- AMD related DSI works:
  - Enabling works incl:
    - Ongoing heritage surveys
    - Access agreement execution with local pastoral station
    - Native Vegetation Clearing Permits - application for new area/permit and renewal of existing permit
  - Contracting process (tendering and awarding contracts) for earthmoving and technical contaminated sites works
  - Planning for execution of fieldwork, including site visits with relevant contractor representatives
  - Review of existing SAQP with technical consultants and CSA, including site verification visit with consultants

GNA – Shay Gap:

IPS (AMD related activities)

- Data analysis and interpretation and progressing study reports towards finalisation, incl:
  - AMD Source Hazard Assessment
  - Conceptual Site Model
  - Cover System Material Sampling
  - Groundwater Monitoring Events – Factual Memorandums
  - OSA drilling and geological report
  - OSA toe and drainage line soil sampling
  - Pit Lake Water Balance Modelling and Water Monitoring events and other analysis

Mining Area C (MAC) Hub:

- Selected samples for geochemical testwork at R Deposit.

Activities planned for the next 12 months

Goldsworthy:

- Continue IPS study to close data knowledge gaps relating to AMD risks, including:
  - Static and kinetic testing of waste rock material from AMD source areas in the OSAs.

- Review of OSA monitoring data to support development of conceptual hydrological and geochemical models for OSA.
- Execution/delivery of the DSI fieldwork program, pending approval of appropriate heritage permits and regulatory requirements such as NVCPs.
- Continued stakeholder engagement with an ongoing focus on the TOs.

GNA – Shay Gap:

- Airborne geophysical survey to inform hydrogeological pathways and assist planning for future groundwater monitoring bores around AMD impacted areas.
- Finalise various remaining reports including the conceptual site model including for AMD impacted areas.
- Develop a forward work plan aimed at closing out further knowledge gaps to aid AMD assessments.

Mining Area C (MAC) Hub:

- Continue routine geochemical testwork for samples collected from the relevant orebodies, pending exploration or geotechnical investigations schedule.
- Conduct water quality monitoring review to assess potential processes influencing water quality, if any, to support verification of AMD controls, and to assess suitability of current site-specific trigger values for surface water and groundwater.
- Undertake a conceptual post-closure groundwater SPR assessment and review of the current groundwater monitoring network to inform the development of an optimised groundwater monitoring network with the aim to develop baseline water quality for closure completion criteria.
- AMD Risk Assessment for R Deposit.

6.4 Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972

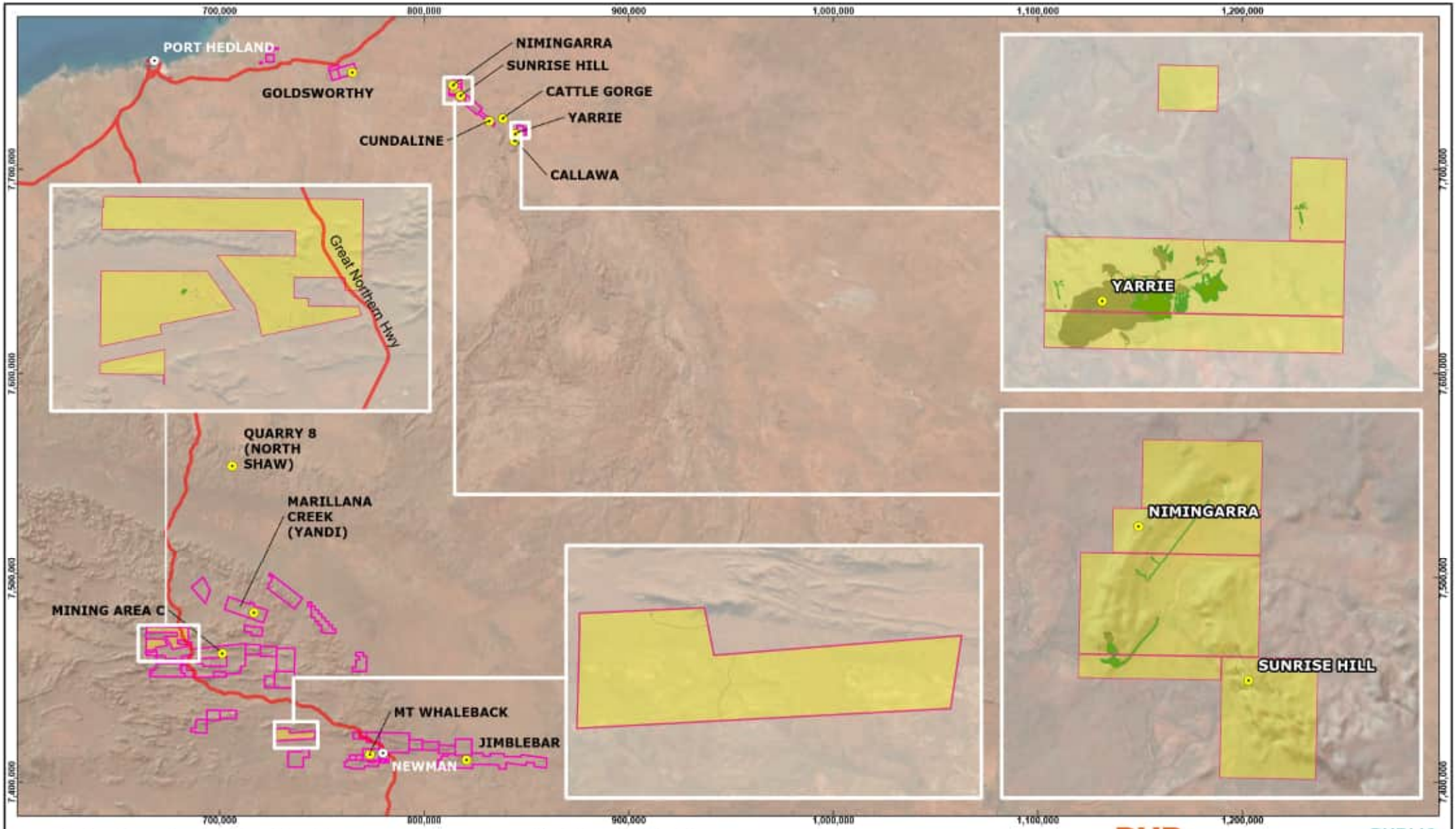
6.4.1 Objectives of Reporting

To provide an overview of the extent of mining operations, environmental management and rehabilitation activities carried out under the *Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972* for the FY2026 reporting period.

6.4.2 Site Summary Table

State Agreement	*Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972*
Operational Areas	• Midnight Ridge • Nimingarra • Sunrise Hill • Yarrie
Tenements listed under State Agreement	• Mining Lease 263SA • Mineral Lease 251SA • Miscellaneous Licences 45/127 and 45/140 • General Leases I123397 and J998590 to J998594 • File Notation Areas 13810 (Accommodation Village), 13811 (Railway) and 13812 (Pipeline & Powerline)
Proposals approved under State Agreement	• Initial Proposal Goldsworthy • Production of Sunrise Hill/Shay Gap • Goldsworthy Extension Project Phase II • Yarrie Crustal Deposits • Proposal and Variation to Notice of Intent – Interim Remnant Mining - Sunrise Hill, Sunrise Hill West, Nimingarra Deposits • Mining Cattle Gorge, Nimingarra 1, Yarrie Crustal Y4A and Y10 Deposits • Mining Yarrie Y7 West Iron Ore Deposit • Extension of Mining at Y10 Deposit – Kennedy Gap • Accommodation Village at Yarrie • Additions to Railroad Track Infrastructure at Port Hedland-Boodarie Railway Workshop • Goldsworthy Rail Duplication to Finucane Island • Mining Cundaline and Callawa Deposits No new proposals were approved in FY2026.
Current status of mining operation	Operations Suspended
Project commodity	Iron Ore
Year site commenced	1965 (Goldsworthy)
Estimated life of mine	Operations Suspended
Mine Closure Plan	Revision 5.0 of Goldsworthy North Area (GNA) MCP was submitted to DWER in August 2024 and approved8) approved by DWER in December 2024 to meet conditions stated in MS303, 682, 814. A revised MCP (Rev 6.0) will be submitted by BHP in August 2026 as required by Ministerial Statement 814.
Licences and Permits	Licences and Permits as listed are all reported to relevant regulatory bodies as per the set requirements of those individual Licences or Permits. • Operating Licences (please see Section 2 of this report) L5611/1993/11; L4412/1987/8 • Ministerial Statements (please see Section 3 of this report) MS303, MS682, MS814 • Vegetation Clearing Permits - DEMIRS (please see Section 5 of this report) CPS 5924, CPS 6141, CPS 6450, CPS 7139

* The Sites/Projects section of the above table has been amended to include details of WA Iron Ore (WAIO) Operational Areas that are pursuant to State Agreement Acts.



Iron Ore (Goldsworthy-Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972 (WA)

- State Agreement Boundary
- All State Agreement Boundaries
- Rehabilitation FY 26
- Baseline Rehabilitation
- Baseline Footprint
- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Other

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6.4.3 Site Operations

Project activity for previous 12 months

Mining: Operations suspended. BHP will continue to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Yarrie Mine in the context of its broader supply chain.

Exploration: During FY2026, exploration activities were undertaken across ML251SA, M263SA, targeting key areas including Tandanya (Hill 65, Fork North), Nimingarra, Nimingarra Plain and Sunrise Hill.

Projects and Infrastructure: Projects that occurred during the FY2026 period included the continuation of the Goldsworthy Northern Area Contaminated Sites Remediation Plan, Goldsworthy Northern Area (GNA) Demolition Project and GNA Rehabilitation activities. Projects that commenced during the FY2026 period include the GNA Rail Sleeper Remediation project which involved removing redundant rail sleepers along the Goldsworthy main line.

Planned activity for next 12 months

Mining: Operations suspended. BHP will continue to evaluate the commercial opportunities of the Yarrie Mine in the context of its broader supply chain.

Exploration: Exploration activities are planned within ML251SA and M263SA during FY2027, targeting the Nimingarra and Sunrise Hill deposits.

Projects and Infrastructure: Projects planned for the FY2027 period include the continuation of the Goldsworthy Northern Area Contaminated Sites Remediation Plan, Goldsworthy Northern Area (GNA) Demolition Project, GNA Rehabilitation activities and the continuation of the Rail Sleeper Remediation project.

6.4.4 Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

The below table provides the land disturbance and rehabilitation totals for the approvals reported in this AER which intersect with the *Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972*.

Note that some of these approval boundaries intersect multiple State Agreements (Map 6-4) and data has not been clipped to State Agreement boundaries. The below is not a sum of all land disturbance and rehabilitation against this State Agreement, it is a summary of the land disturbance and rehabilitation against the approvals which intersect with the State Agreement.

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Table 6-7 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for NVCPs under the *Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972*

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
5924/2	0.00	0.00
6141/2	6.55	0.00
6450/2	36.24	24.92
7139/4	904.16	305.43

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Table 6-8 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements under the *Iron Ore (Goldsworthy Nimingarra) Agreement Act 1972*

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
303	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	37.45	34.00
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	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	7.14	0.52
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	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	0.19	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	107.11	118.98
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	86.78	0.00
	Plant site	1.97	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	21.76	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	0.65	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.40	19.93
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	146.26	68.65
682	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.83	0.49
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.62	0.00
	Dam fresh water	0.26	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	0.04	0.00

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1.41	0.59
	Laydown or hardstand area	1.22	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	26.18	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	17.01	0.03
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	6.09	4.97
	Topsoil stockpile	2.49	1.46
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	54.26	11.98
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	123.89	126.15
814	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	2.97	0.00
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	0.34	0.00
	Dam fresh water	1.01	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	0.06	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	28.31	27.97
	Laydown or hardstand area	5.22	4.91
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	53.54	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	0.23	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	5.50	0.00
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	99.05	4.93
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	54.68	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

6.4.5 Materials Balance

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Production Details for each site.

6.4.6 Environmental Management

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Environmental Management Details.

6.4.7 AMD Management

As described in Section 1.10, WAIO has adopted the BHP Mined Materials Management Global Standard that outlines minimum requirements for consistent and practicable AMD management across all WAIO Operations including State Agreement Act sites.

Goldsworthy Northern Areas (GNA) - Yarrie Acid and Metalliferous Drainage (AMD) Management

Since 2023 BHP has undertaken an IPS to investigate closure and rehabilitation knowledge gaps and identify a pipeline of 'no regrets' progressive rehabilitation whilst the site remains under 'suspended mining'. During the IPS AMD seepage was identified at the toe of an OSA at Yarrie 2/3 (Y2/3) deposit area, which ceased mining in 2004. The IPS also investigated other legacy areas with AMD risk such as Sunrise Hill.

BHP has undertaken extensive works to investigate the AMD seepage at Y2/3 including:

- Drilling through the OSA to identify potential acid forming material (PAF)
- Drilling through the dedicated PAF containment cell constructed during operations to manage pyritic shale materials
- Drilling additional groundwater monitoring bores to supplement existing groundwater monitoring bores
- Monitoring across the area, including:
- Toe seepage volumes and water quality
- Groundwater quality sampling and level monitoring from the monitoring bore network around Y2/3
- Pit lake water (surface and down the water column) quality sampling
- Multiple desktop analysis/investigation of the existing and newly collected data (e.g. water balance modelling, analysis of seepage potential water source, conceptual site models, reconstruction of mining and OSA dumping progression, review of historical drillhole geochemistry and reconstruction of mining block models etc)

Information on these investigations were included in the GNA MCP (Revision 5.0) submitted in 2024. An update to this MCP is due to be submitted to DWER in August 2026 and will contain the latest knowledge base on BHPs investigations into AMD for this area.

Project activity for previous 12 months

GNA – Yarrie (Y2/3) and Sunrise Hill:

IPS (AMD related activities)

- Data analysis and interpretation and progressing study reports towards finalisation, incl:
  - AMD Source Hazard Assessment
  - Conceptual Site Model
  - Cover System Material Sampling
  - Groundwater Monitoring Events - Factual Memorandums
  - OSA drilling and geological report
  - Yarrie OSA toe and drainage line soil sampling
  - Pit Lake Water Balance Modelling and Water Monitoring events and other analysis
  - Yarrie seepage and surface water monitoring
  - Yarrie AMD seepage interim management options assessment

Planned activity for next 12 months

GNA – Yarrie (Y2/3) and Sunrise Hill:

- Airborne geophysical survey to inform hydrogeological pathways and assist planning for future groundwater monitoring bores around AMD impacted areas
- Continue kinetic testing of waste rock from suspects AMD source areas at Y2/3
- Progress the Y2/3 AMD seepage interim management options assessment
- Finalise various remaining reports including the conceptual site model including for AMD impacted areas
- Develop a forward work plan aimed at closing out further knowledge gaps to aid assessment of long-term Y2/3 AMD management options

6.5 Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991

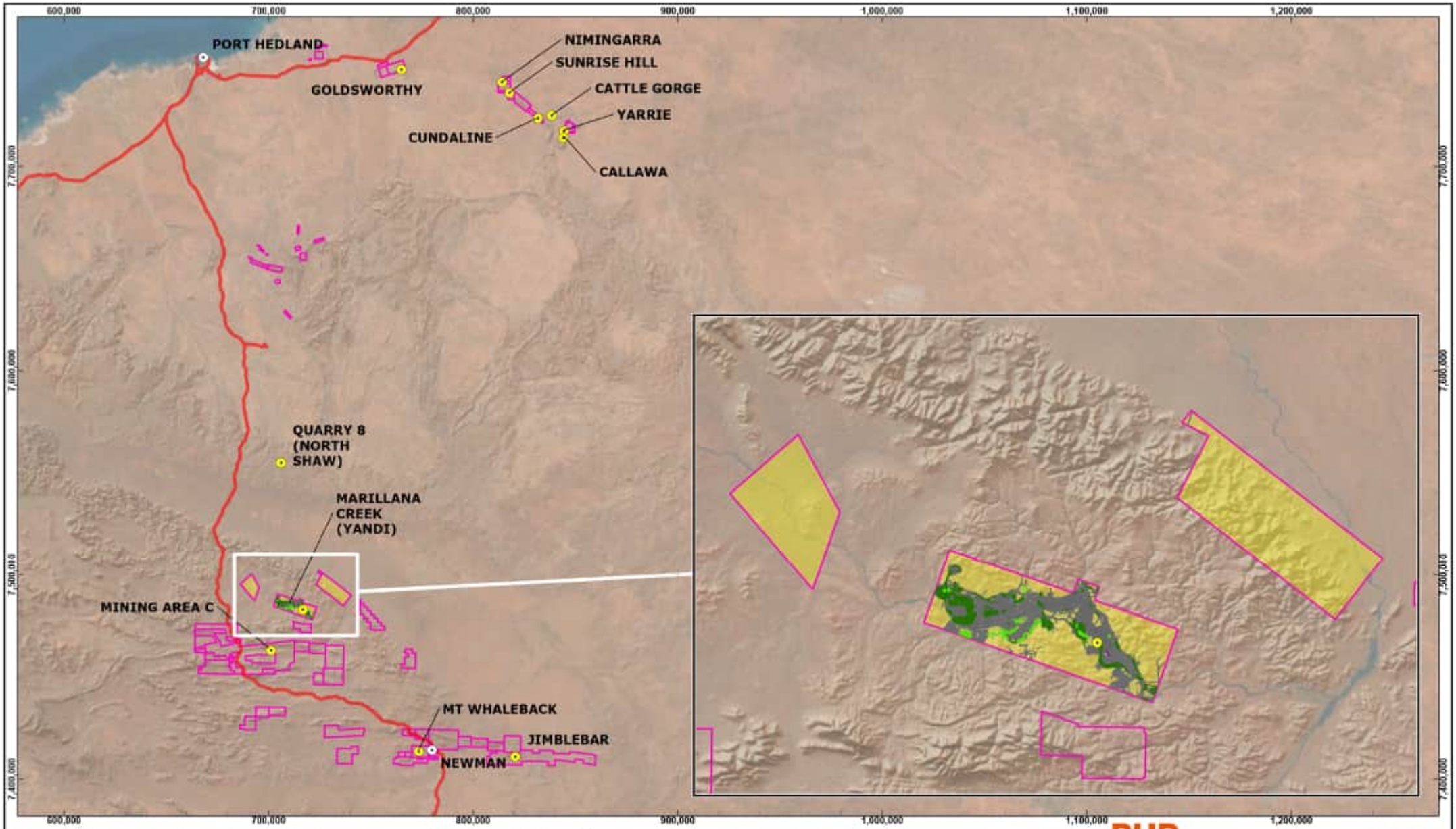
6.5.1 Objectives of Reporting

To provide an overview of the extent of mining operations, environmental management and rehabilitation activities carried out under the *Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991* for the FY2026 reporting period.

6.5.2 Site Summary Table

State Agreement	Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991
Operational Areas	• Yandi
Tenements listed under State Agreement	• Mining Lease 270SA • General Purpose Leases 47/12 to 47/19 • Miscellaneous Licences 47/118, 47/667,47/771, L47/1105 and L47/1174 • Crown Leases K843924 and K843925
Proposals approved under State Agreement	Since 1991, the proposals approved under this State Agreement are: • Preliminary Site Works • Mining and Transportation of up to 5.5 Mtpa • Production Increase to 10 Mtpa • Staged Increase From 10 Mtpa to 15 Mtpa • Yandi Mine Expansion • Marillana Creek Central 5 Development • Aerodrome and Access Road (at Marillana Creek) • Development of Marillana Creek Central 4 and Western 4 Deposits • Increase Mining Rate and Expand Plant and Accommodation Facilities at Yandi for Production of 47 Mtpa • Mining of E3 Section at Yandi • Yandi Workforce and Accommodation • Mining of Western 1 Section at Yandi • Yandi Expansion - Increase annual production rate (65 Mtpa) and Yandi Workforce (to 750) • Expand the Marillana Temporary Construction Village at Yandi Mine • Early works necessary for future expansion of Yandi Mine • Increase annual production rate (87 Mtpa) and Yandi workforce (950) • Mining E1 at Yandi • Mining of Western 5 and Western 6 • Mining of Yandi Orebody Eastern 7 (E7) • Mining at Yandi W2 • Yandi Potable Water Bores • Marillana Creek Diversion and Mining of Orebody Western 3 and Creek Diversion Deposits (Eastern 1 to 6 and Western 5 and 6) • Upgrade Barimunya Aerodrome Road (Houghy's Way) • Mining of Yandi Central 2/Central 3 (C2/3) Deposit The following proposals were approved in FY2026: • Billies Hill (Variation) • Flat Rocks
Current status of mining operation	Operating
Project commodity	Channel Iron Deposit
Year site commenced	1991
Estimated life of mine*	Marillana Creek (Yandi) – 2028* * Estimated life of mine is as per current Part IV approval; this can be amended as required through the Section 45C process
Mine Closure Plan	Marillana Creek (Yandi) Mine Closure Plan (Rev 6.0, 2025) was submitted on 9 May 2025 to support the current Part IV approvals.
Licences and Permits	Licences and Permits as listed are all reported to relevant regulatory bodies as per the set requirements of those individual Licences or Permits. • Operating Licence (please see Section 2 of this report): L6168/1991/11 • Ministerial Statements (please see Section 3 of this report): MS679, MS1039 • Vegetation Clearing Permits – DMPE (please see Section 5 of this report) CPS 5889, CPS 7009, CPS 7409, CPS 8940, CPS8953.

* The Sites/Projects section of the above table has been amended to include details of WA Iron Ore (WAIO) Operational Areas that are pursuant to State Agreement Acts.



Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991 (WA)

- All State Agreement Boundaries
- State Agreement Boundary
- Rehabilitation FY 26
- Baseline Footprint
- Baseline Rehabilitation
- FY 2026 Mining void
- FY 2026 Ore stockpiles
- FY 2026 Topsoil stockpile area
- FY 2026 Waste dumps, OSA and ROM
- FY 2026 Transport or service infrastructure
- FY 2026 Other

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6.5.3 Site Operations

Project activity for previous 12 months (FY2026)

Mining: The following work occurred during FY2026:

- Continued mining production in W1, W5, W6, C1, C5 C6, E1, E3, E4 and E7 pit.
- Commenced mining activities in W0
- Continued closure sources: W1 OSA, W1 WD07 OSA, E2 ISA, W4 Inpit OSA
- Continued closure backfills destination in W1, W5, C1 and E3 pit.
- Dewatering borehole installation in E7 was planned but did not occur.

Exploration: During FY2026, exploration activities were conducted within the Yandi project area under M270SA.

Projects and Infrastructure: The following work occurred during FY2026:

- Yandi Closure Infrastructure Stage 2 commenced with work on deconstruction of OHP1 / OHP2

Planned activity for next 12 months (FY2027)

Mining: Mining will be conducted as per the FY2027 mine plan:

- Continuing of mining production: W0, W2, W3, W4, W5, C5, C6 Stage 1, E1, E4 and E7
- Commencement of mining activities at E8
- Continuing closure sources: W1 OS07, W1 OSA, E2 ISA
- Continuing closure backfills destination: W1, W5, C1 and E3 pit
- Drilling of dewatering bore holes in C5 (bore replacement) and C6 (to support stage 2)
- Commencement of W5 Landbridge construction
- Commencement of E8 Haul Road construction
- Building Sump at E7

Exploration: Exploration activities are planned for FY2027 within M270SA, focusing on Yandi project area deposits.

Projects and Infrastructure: Projects planned in FY2027 include:

- Central Pilbara Surplus Water Stage 1

6.5.4 Land Disturbance and Rehabilitation

Table 6-9 provides the land disturbance and rehabilitation totals for the approvals reported in this AER which intersect with the *Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991*.

Note that some of these approval boundaries intersect multiple State Agreements (see Map 6-5) and data has not been clipped to State Agreement boundaries. The below is not a sum of all land disturbance and rehabilitation against this State Agreement, it is a summary of the land disturbance and rehabilitation against the approvals which intersect with the State Agreement.

Note further that the previous land use has not been recorded for all rehabilitation polygons, therefore some (rehabilitation) previous land use type has been classified as '*Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table'* by default as per the corresponding MRF definitions.

Table 6-9 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for NVCPs under the *Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991*

Native Vegetation Clearing Permits	Total clearing 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
5889/2	9.30	33.51
7009/3	224.40	25.10
7409/1	3.62	0.20
8940/1	9.70	0.05
8953/2	23.99	00.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

Table 6-10 Summary of land disturbance and rehabilitation for Ministerial Statements under the *Iron Ore (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991*

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
679 and 1039	Borefield	0.71	0.50
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	45.00	2.20
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	50.35	12.20
	Dam fresh water	6.47	0.42
	Diversion channel or drain	275.03	130.07
	Evaporation pond	1.51	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	0.93	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	90.19	36.97

Ministerial Statements	MRF Description	Total disturbance 30/06/2026	Total rehabilitation 30/06/2026
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	21.23	8.77
	Landfill site	14.02	5.25
	Laydown or hardstand area	35.49	8.25
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	131.81	7.72
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	144.86	1.63
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	130.21	9.33
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1151.38	114.89
	Not Applicable	21.79	1.07
	Plant site	28.56	5.58
	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	4.13	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	130.54	11.88
	Sewage pond	11.52	8.15
	Topsoil stockpile	65.01	11.89
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	362.60	35.15
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	73.76	45.25
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	254.32	156.72
	Workshop	0.49	0.00
1072	Airstrip	98.27	0.00
	Borefield	19.22	2.33
	Borrow pit or shallow surface excavation (with a depth of less than 5 metres)	380.09	314.74
	Building (other than workshop) or camp site	75.70	1.63
	Dam fresh water	4.96	0.00
	Diversion channel or drain	37.25	0.00
	Evaporation pond	0.63	0.00
	Fuel storage facility	1.71	0.00
	Heap or vat leach facility	0.46	0.00
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that has been disturbed by exploration operations or is the subject of a programme of work	1410.74	849.64
	Land (other than land under rehabilitation or rehabilitated land) that is cleared of vegetation and is not otherwise described in this Table	1378.50	4.44
	Landfill site	32.59	1.71
	Laydown or hardstand area	193.06	122.03
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 1)	9.56	0.00
	Low-grade ore stockpile (class 2)	114.20	0.00
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) above ground water level	1893.57	1.06
	Mining void (with a depth of at least 5 metres) below ground water level	1577.58	0.00
	Not Applicable	0.23	0.00
	Plant site	41.49	0.00
	Processing equipment or stockpile associated with basic raw material extraction	11.93	0.00
	Run-of-mine pad	120.70	3.23
	Sewage pond	14.26	0.00
	Tailings or residue storage facility (class 1)	1.20	0.00
	Topsoil stockpile	208.51	5.35
	Transport or service infrastructure corridor	3036.26	286.53
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 1)	480.67	125.13
	Waste dump or overburden stockpile (class 2)	1102.10	0.00
	Workshop	17.03	0.00

NB Numbers are provisional and subject to change as a result of the land data verification project (see 4.1.2).

6.5.5 Materials Balance

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Production Details for each site.

6.5.6 Environmental Management

Please refer to Section 1 for BHP Environmental Management Details.

6.5.7 AMD Management

As described in Section 1.10, WAIO has adopted the BHP Mined Materials Management Global Standard that outlines minimum requirements for consistent and practicable AMD management across all WAIO Operations including State Agreement Act sites.

Project activity for previous 12 months:

- Completed geochemical testwork of spillway samples tested in FY2025.

Planned activity for next 12 months:

- Testing of concrete waste from demolition activities at site to confirm suitability for disposal under the Part V Licence.
- Complete assessment and reporting of geochemical testwork for spillway samples.

7 Rehabilitation and Closure

7.1 Introduction

Section 7 presents rehabilitation performance outcomes for BHP WAIO non-geoscience assets, including operations that are active, under suspended operations, and where mining has ceased. Rehabilitation performance reporting provides an assessment of progress towards agreed closure outcomes and demonstrates compliance with applicable regulatory approval requirements. For most WAIO operations, rehabilitation commitments are established through Ministerial Statements issued under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, which typically require the development and implementation of a Mine Closure Plan (MCP). The MCP establishes rehabilitation objectives, closure outcomes, completion criteria, monitoring requirements and adaptive management processes that guide rehabilitation performance assessment.

Ecological completion criteria form a key component of the MCP and provide the measurable indicators used to assess whether rehabilitated landforms are progressing towards a stable, self-sustaining and resilient post-mining ecosystem that is compatible with the intended post-mining land use. Rehabilitation performance is evaluated through a combination of remote sensing and on-ground monitoring programs, with results assessed against established completion criteria and rehabilitation trajectory targets. Monitoring outcomes are used to evaluate rehabilitation performance, identify areas requiring management intervention and assess long-term rehabilitation trends.

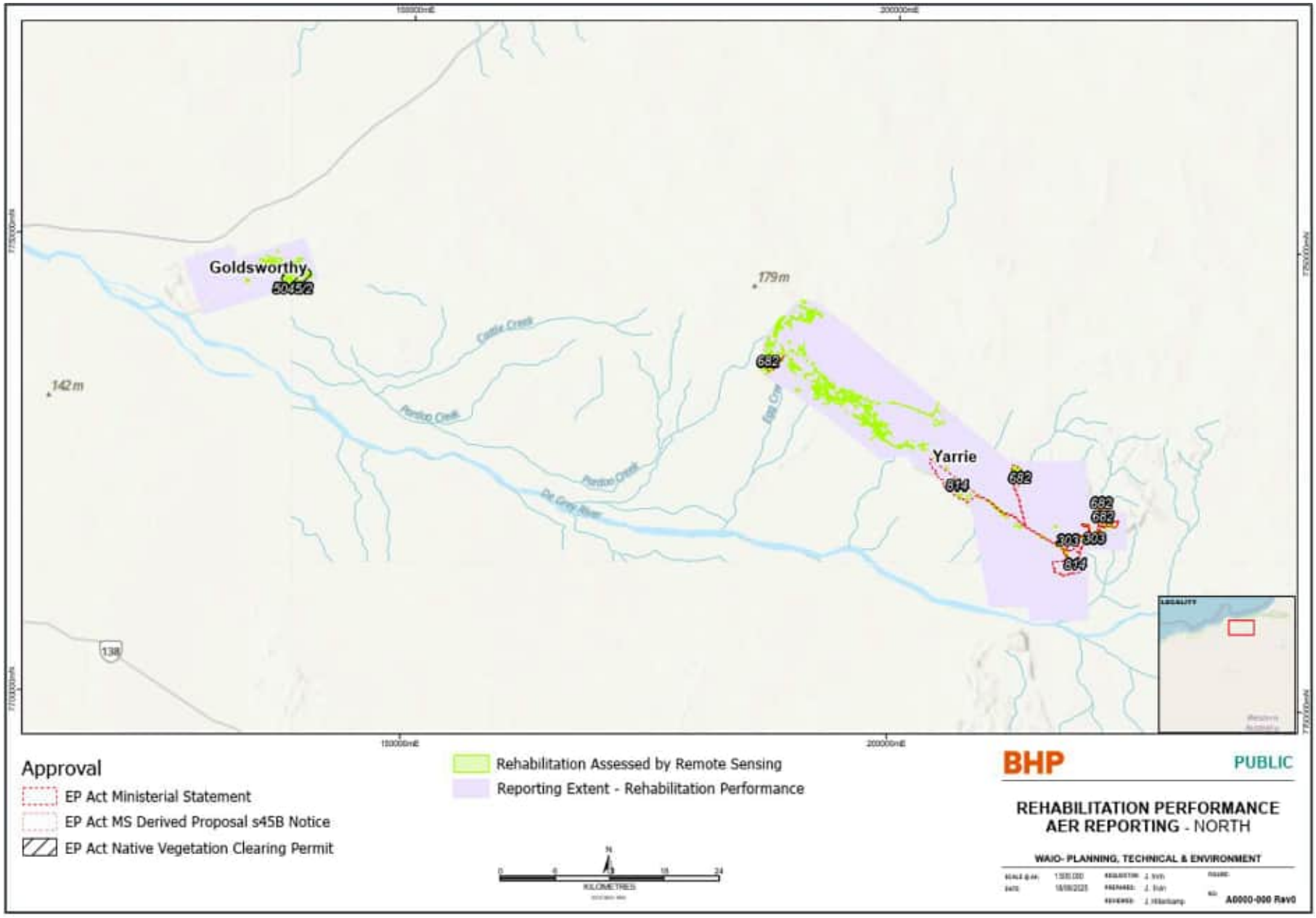
Rehabilitation reporting presented in this section is generally aligned with the relevant MCP reporting extent and associated Part IV approval boundary. However, exceptions apply where Part IV approvals and MCP requirements are not applicable, either wholly or in part. This includes several legacy operations and sites operating under alternate agreements such as Mt Whaleback, Goldsworthy and Yarrie (Goldsworthy Northern Areas), where long-term rehabilitation monitoring continues despite the absence of a mandatory requirement to report rehabilitation performance against ecological completion criteria. In these instances, BHP WAIO continues to undertake and report rehabilitation monitoring as a matter of good closure practice, providing transparency regarding rehabilitation progress and supporting continual improvement of rehabilitation and closure outcomes. Table 1-1 summarises the spatial relationship between each rehabilitation reporting area and the associated approval boundaries.

Rehabilitation performance associated with activities undertaken under NVCP approvals is reported separately in Section 4 – NVCP (DWER) and Section 5 – NVCP (DMPE), in accordance with the relevant NVCP reporting requirements and conditions.

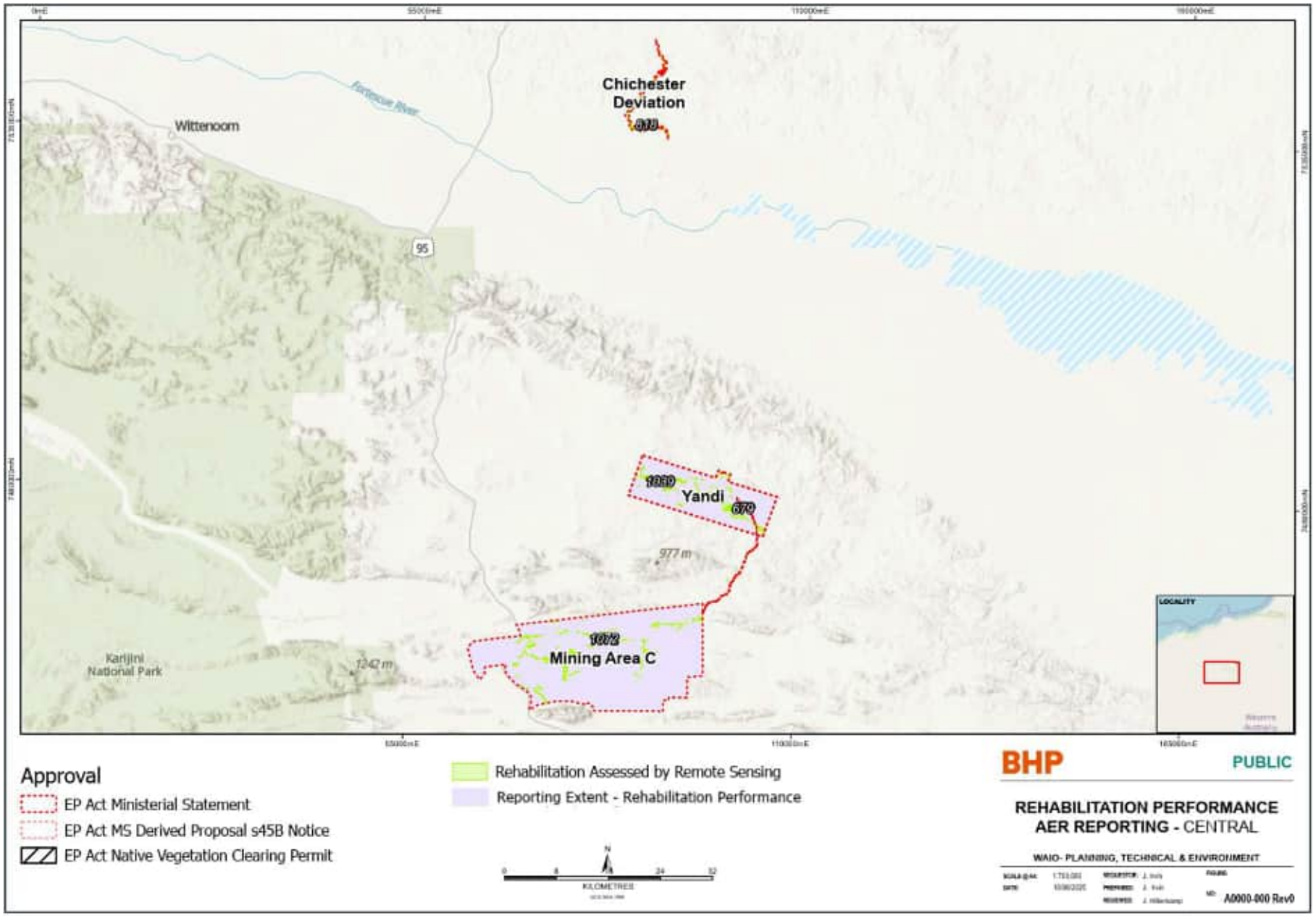
Table 7-1 Section 7 – Rehabilitation Performance Reporting Extents

Location	Map Reference	Mine / Project	Overlapping approvals – Spatial Relationship	Operational phase
Jimblebar	Map 7-3	Jimblebar	MS1126	Operations
		Orebody 31	MS1021	
		Orebody 17, 18	MS439 and MS1012	
		Solar Project	*NVCP9178*	
		Creek Access Track	*NVCP7647*	
		Jimblebar to Orebody 18	*NVCP3609*	
Whaleback	Map 7-3	Whaleback	*NVCP5617*	Operations
		Orebody 29/30/35 Below Water Table	MS963	
		Whaleback	*NVCP7525*	
Eastern Ridge	Map 7-3	Eastern Ridge (Orebodies 24, 25, 25W and 32)	MS1037	Operations, Mining ceased
		Orebody 32 Below Water Table	MS1105-s45b-OB32	
		Orebody 23	MS478	
		Jimblebar Junction to Newman Rail Project	*NVCP3373*	
Yandi	Map 7-2	Marillana Creek (Yandi)	MS679 and MS1039	Operations
Chichester Deviation	Map 7-2	Chichester Rail Deviation	MS818	Non-Operations
Boodarie	Map 7-2	Hot Briquetted Iron Project, Port Hedland	MS 393	Non-Operations
Mining Area C	Map 7-2	Mining Area C (North and South Flanks)	MS1072	Operations
Goldsworthy[1]	Map 7-1	Goldsworthy	*NVCP5045*	Mining ceased
Yarrie[1]	Map 7-1	Yarrie (Y2, Y3)	MS303	Suspended operations, Mining ceased, Mining not started
		Nimingarra (Nim 1) Yarrie (Y4A, Y7W and Y10) Cattle Gorge	MS682	
		Cundaline Callawa	MS814	

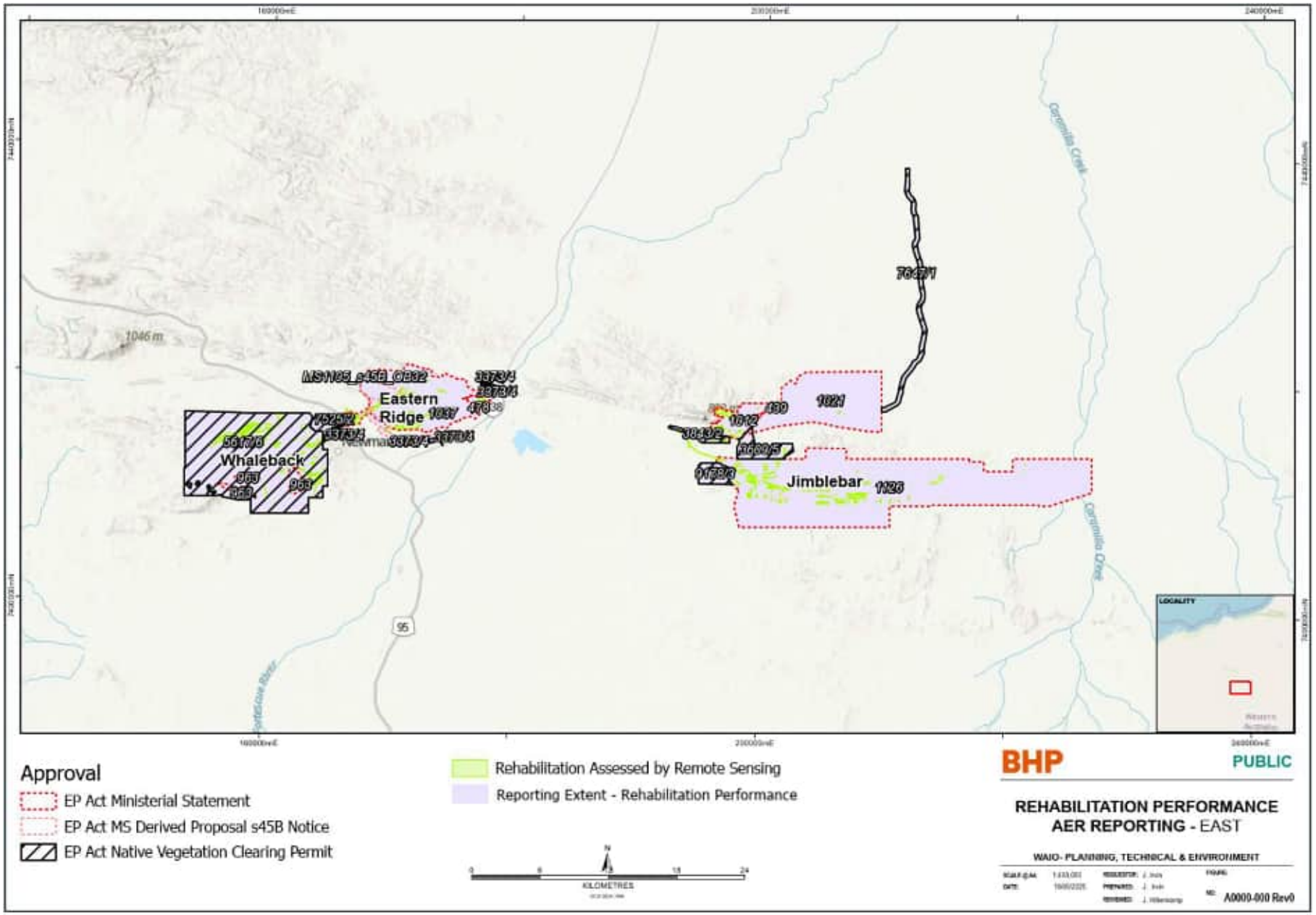
[1] Boundary created for legacy sites for the purpose of rehabilitation performance reporting.



Map 7-1 Rehabilitation Reporting Extent – Goldsworthy and Yarrie



Map 7-2 Rehabilitation Reporting Extent – Chichester Deviation, Yandi and Mining Area C



Map 7-3 Rehabilitation Reporting Extent – Whaleback, Eastern Ridge and Jimblebar

7.2 Rehabilitation Activities

The broad rehabilitation activities undertaken during the FY2026 period are summarised below (Table 7-2):

Table 7-2 Rehabilitation Projects (Earthworks) in FY2026

Hub	Broad rehabilitation activities undertaken in the FY	Reference
Jimblebar	Open Areas Rehabilitation / OSA Regrade / Seeding	Figure 7-8
Whaleback	Open Areas Rehabilitation / Backfill /Seeding	Figure 7-6, Figure 7-7
Eastern Ridge	Open Areas Rehabilitation / Backfill	Figure 7-5
Yandi	Open Areas Rehabilitation / Backfill / Seeding	Figure 7-3
Mining Area C	Open Areas Rehabilitation	Figure 7-4
Goldsworthy	Nil	
Yarrie	Open Areas Rehabilitation / OSA Regrade / Seeding	Figure 7-1, Figure 7-2

Yarrie



Figure 7-1 OSA Regrade / Rehabilitation – Y10



Figure 7-2 OSA Regrade / Rehabilitation – Y10

Yandi



Figure 7-3 OSA Reprofiling – W2

Mining Area C



Figure 7-4 Mining Area C - P1 OSA Stage 1 - Regrade

Newman – Eastern Ridge



Figure 7-5 OSA Reprofiling – OB23

Newman – Western Ridge



Figure 7-6 Exploration Rehabilitation – Western Ridge



Figure 7-7 PAF Remediation Digout and Backfill – Whaleback

Jimblebar



Figure 7-8 Jimblebar - AU09 Topsoil re-spread and scarification

7.3 Rehabilitation Monitoring

7.3.1 Ecological Completion Criteria

BHP WAIO continued to refine and enhance its ecological completion criteria framework during FY2026, building on insights gained from previous monitoring cycles, research programs and operational experience. The framework has evolved through ongoing evaluation of rehabilitation performance and incorporates lessons learned to improve its scientific robustness, consistency and practical application. Developed in accordance with the Western Australian Biodiversity Science Institute (WABSI) framework, it provides a structured approach to assessing whether rehabilitated land is progressing towards a self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional ecosystem that is compatible with the intended post-mining land use.

Rehabilitation performance is evaluated against closure objectives relating to *naturalness*, *resilience* and *habitat connectivity* through a suite of measurable ecological indicators, including vegetation cover, species richness, keystone species occurrence, vegetation type representation, reproductive capacity, weed presence and bare ground cover. Together, these indicators provide evidence of ecosystem recovery and progression towards long-term rehabilitation outcomes.

The framework is based on broad Pilbara vegetation types mapped by Beard et al. (2013), recognising that rehabilitation is intended to establish ecosystems compatible with regional vegetation communities rather than replicate specific pre-disturbance conditions. Across current WAIO operations, three broad vegetation types are recognised: Grass Steppe, Shrub Steppe and Low Tree Steppe. Completion criteria have been developed for each vegetation type and associated post-mining land use (PMLU), comprising either Pastoral Grazing or Natural (Managed Resource Protection) outcomes (Table 7-3).

Quantitative targets have been established using baseline and reference ecosystem datasets and are grouped by vegetation type and vegetation stratum (trees, shrubs, hummock grasses and other grasses). Vegetation cover and species richness thresholds were derived using an interquartile range (IQR) approach, with completion targets generally set above the first quartile (Q1). This methodology provides ecologically realistic performance benchmarks that account for natural variability within Pilbara ecosystems while reducing the influence of outlier observations.

Table 7-3 Target vegetation type and post mining land use (PMLU) per hub

Hub	Dominant Vegetation Type	PMLU
Goldsworthy	Grass Steppe	Pastoral
Yarrie	Shrub Steppe	Pastoral
Yandi	Low Tree Steppe	Pastoral
Area C	Low Tree Steppe	Natural
Newman	Low Tree Steppe	Pastoral
Jimblebar	Low Tree Steppe	Pastoral

Assessment Period

Time is recognised as a critical determinant of rehabilitation success. Long-term rehabilitation monitoring data indicates that Pilbara rehabilitation typically requires at least 15 years to demonstrate ecological stability and resilience due to highly variable climatic conditions and the slow development of arid-zone ecosystems. Accordingly, rehabilitation is assessed against age-specific criteria representing expected stages of ecosystem development.

The ecological criteria are grouped into three broad rehabilitation age classes:

- **Young (<5 years)** – Rehabilitation works have been completed; however, vegetation establishment remains at an early stage and sites are generally unsuitable for formal ecological assessment due to incomplete germination and vegetation development.
- **Progressive (5–15 years)** – Ecological succession processes are actively developing. Sites are assessed against interim trajectory-based criteria to determine whether rehabilitation is progressing towards long-term completion objectives.
- **Completion (>15 years)** – Rehabilitation is considered sufficiently mature to be assessed against the full ecological completion criteria.

Note: as Young rehabilitation has not developed sufficiently to provide meaningful ecological assessment outcomes, monitoring results presented in this report focus on Progressive and Completion age rehabilitation.

Monitoring Approach

BHP WAIO continued implementation of its integrated rehabilitation monitoring program during FY2026. The program combines remote sensing and on-ground flora surveys to assess rehabilitation performance against the ecological completion criteria at both landscape and species scales. The monitoring framework has been specifically designed to accommodate the spatial variability inherent in Pilbara ecosystems, while tracking rehabilitation progression through time.

The monitoring program aims to:

- Assess rehabilitation performance against ecological completion criteria using a combination of remote sensing and on-ground monitoring approaches.
- Provide robust, statistically defensible assessments through targeted on-ground monitoring coverage of approximately 1 per cent of young, progressing and completion-aged rehabilitation.
- Monitor rehabilitation recovery trajectories across the Young, Progressive and Completion age classes.

Remote Sensing

Since 2020, WAIO has used remote sensing technology to assess rehabilitation performance at landscape scales. The assessment utilises the machine-learning model *TytonAI* (formerly *VegSense*) to classify vegetation and land cover from high-resolution 10 cm, 8-bit, 4-band (RGBI) aerial imagery. The model identifies native vegetation lifeforms, several introduced species and bare ground, providing a consistent and repeatable basis for assessing rehabilitation over large areas. The model classifies four native vegetation lifeforms (trees, shrubs, hummock grass, and non-hummock grasses), three introduced species (*Calotropis procera*, *Cenchrus* spp. and *Aerva javanica*), and bare ground cover.

In FY2026, aerial imagery was captured at 10 cm, 8-bit, 4-band (RGBI) resolution in March 2026. The model achieved an overall classification accuracy of 88–91 per cent across assessed sites, with accuracies of 88 per cent at Jimblebar and Newman Operations and 91 per cent at Mining Area C.

On-Ground Assessment

On-ground monitoring is undertaken using a stratified random sampling approach based on permanent monitoring plots. Rehabilitation areas are divided into a 100 ha grid network, and permanent 50 m × 50 m quadrats are established within representative rehabilitation domains, considering rehabilitation age and landform type. Plot density is designed to achieve approximately 1 per cent sampling coverage while maintaining statistical independence between monitoring locations. Monitoring is aligned with EPA Level 2 flora and vegetation survey requirements.

Monitoring Schedule

All WAIO rehabilitation sites are assessed on a biennial monitoring cycle until completion criteria have been achieved (Table 7-4). To optimise monitoring efficiency, hubs are divided into two monitoring rotations, with remote sensing and on-ground surveys undertaken concurrently within the same monitoring period. Monitoring is conducted during the post-wet season (April–May) when vegetation condition is most suitable for ecological assessment.

Table 7-4 WAIO monitoring schedule rotation

Rotation	Year	Hubs						
		Rail	Goldsworthy	Yarrie	Yandi	Mining Area C	Whaleback and Eastern Ridge	Jimblebar
Rotation 1	2026					RS + OG	RS + OG	RS + OG
Rotation 2	2027	RS + OG	RS + OG	RS + OG	RS + OG			

NB: RS = remote sensing; OG = on-ground survey.

7.3.2 Seasonal Conditions

Seasonal rainfall conditions for FY2026 are summarised in Table 7-5. Rainfall totals were extracted from the Scientific Information for Land Owners (SILO) database (Queensland Government, 2026) for the weather station closest to each monitoring location (*Boodarie #4007, Marillana #5009 and Newman Aero #007176*), with underlying data sourced from the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM). Rainfall conditions were classified relative to the 1961–1990 Climate Reference Period. Total rainfall between the 25th and 75th percentiles was considered *typical*, while totals outside this range were classified as *dry* or *wet*. Rainfall totals below the 10th percentile or above the 90th percentile were classified as *very dry* or *very wet*, respectively.

Prior to the FY2026 monitoring surveys, seasonal rainfall at Boodarie was classified as *typical*. At Marillana, which is representative of Mining Area C, seasonal rainfall conditions were classified as *very dry*. At Newman Aero, which is representative of Eastern Ridge, Mt Whaleback and Jimblebar, seasonal rainfall conditions were classified as *dry* (Table 7-5). Monitoring results should be interpreted in the context of generally dry seasonal conditions across inland Pilbara sites.

Table 7-5 FY2026 Rainfall totals and seasonal conditions.

Weather Station	Total Rainfall (FY2026)	Cumulative Rainfall Prior to Aerial Imagery Acquisition (March 2026)	Seasonal Rainfall Condition Prior to Survey	Figure
Boodarie #4007	275.30 mm	155.40 mm	*Typical*	Figure 7-9
Marillana #5009	97.00 mm	47.10 mm	*Very Dry*	Figure 7-10
Newman Aero #007176	148.40 mm	110.40 mm	*Dry*	Figure 7-11

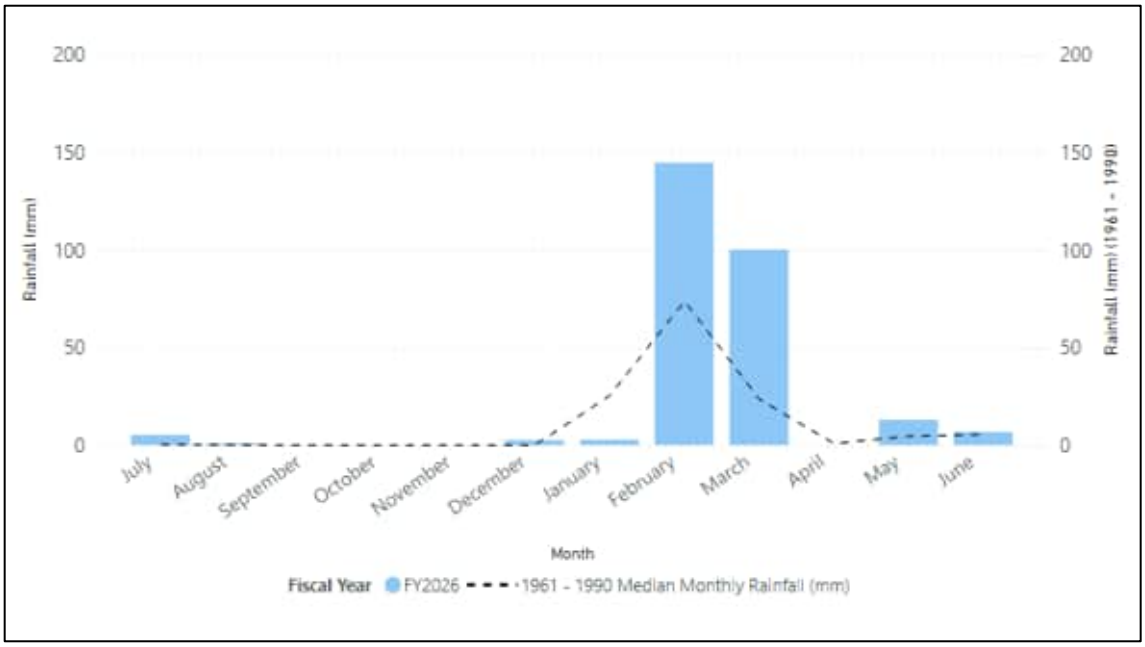


Figure 7-9 Boodarie #4007 (SILO) Database – FY2026 Monthly Rainfall Totals (mm) with Comparison to Long-term Reference Period Mean (1961 – 1990)

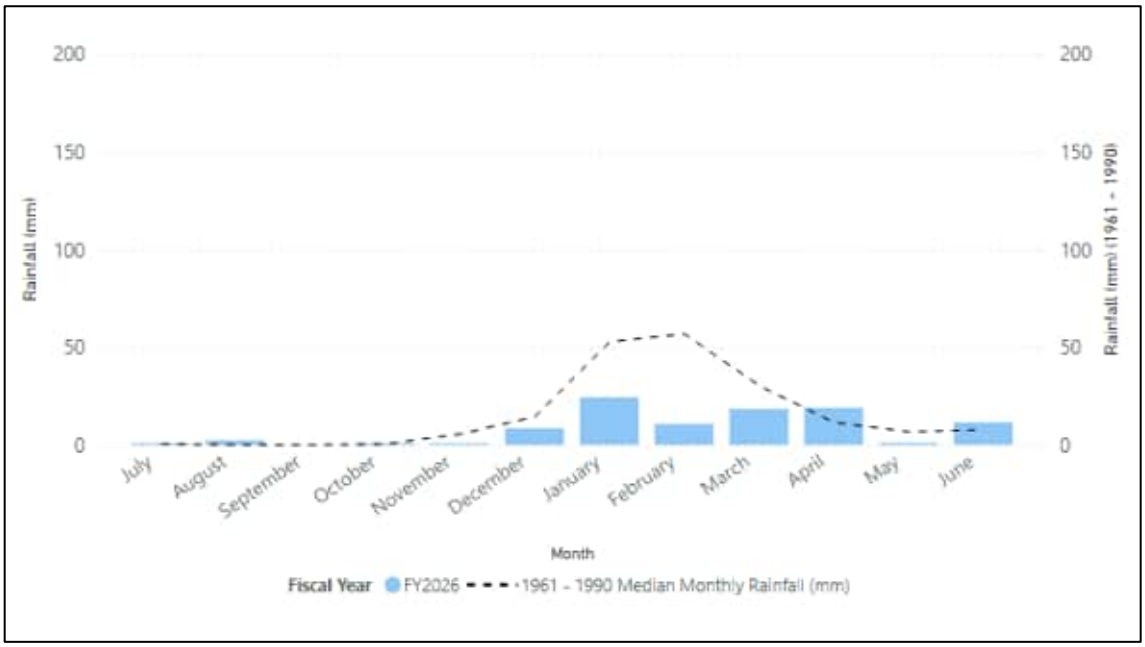


Figure 7-10 Marillana #5009 (SILO) Database – FY2026 Monthly Rainfall Totals (mm) with Comparison to Long-term Reference Period Mean (1961 – 1990)

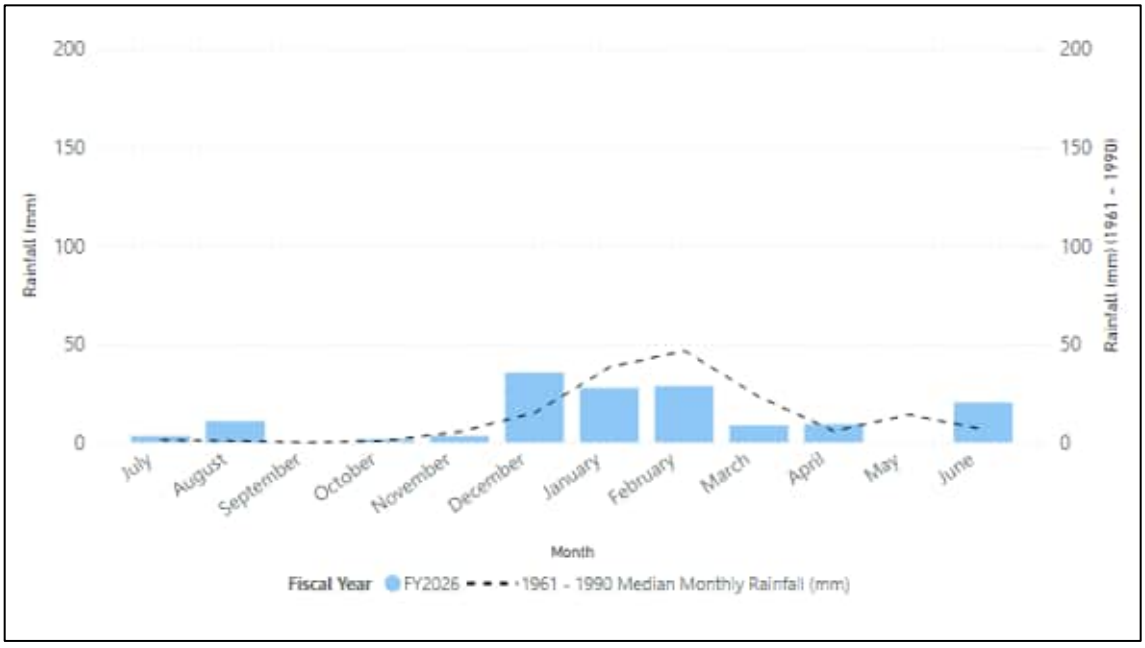


Figure 7-11 Newman Aero #007176 (SILO) Database – FY2026 Monthly Rainfall Totals (mm) with Comparison to Long-term Reference Period Mean (1961 – 1990)

7.4 Rehabilitation Performance Assessment

In FY2026, rehabilitation monitoring comprised both on-ground flora surveys and remote sensing assessments at:

- Mining Area C,
- Whaleback,
- Eastern Ridge; and
- Jimblebar.

On-ground assessments were completed at *Chichester Deviation* and *Boodarie* in FY2026, with the corresponding remote sensing assessments previously undertaken and reported in FY2025.

7.4.1 Goldsworthy

Remote Sensing and On-ground Assessment

Not assessed in FY2026. Goldsworthy will be monitored in FY2027 (Rotation 2).

7.4.2 Yarrie

Remote Sensing and On-ground Assessment

Not assessed in FY2026. Yarrie will be monitored in FY2027 (Rotation 2).

7.4.3 Yandi

Remote Sensing and On-ground Assessment

Not assessed in FY2026. Yandi will be monitored in FY2027 (Rotation 2).

7.4.4 Rail – Chichester Deviation

Remote Sensing Assessment

Not assessed in FY2026. Remote sensing assessment was reported in the FY2025 AER. Chichester Deviation will be monitored in FY2027 (Rotation 2).

On-ground Assessment

The FY2025 on-ground assessment was deferred to FY2026; accordingly, the results of the assessment are reported below.

The on-ground assessment for Chichester Deviation was undertaken between 1 and 2 May 2026. A total of four quadrats, comprising two flat and two slope landforms, were surveyed to assess species richness. All monitored quadrats were classified within the Completion rehabilitation age class (n=4). Across the surveyed plots, 87 perennial species and 14 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness was 38 species per quadrat, indicating a relatively diverse and well-developed vegetation community within the monitored rehabilitation areas (Figure 7-12).

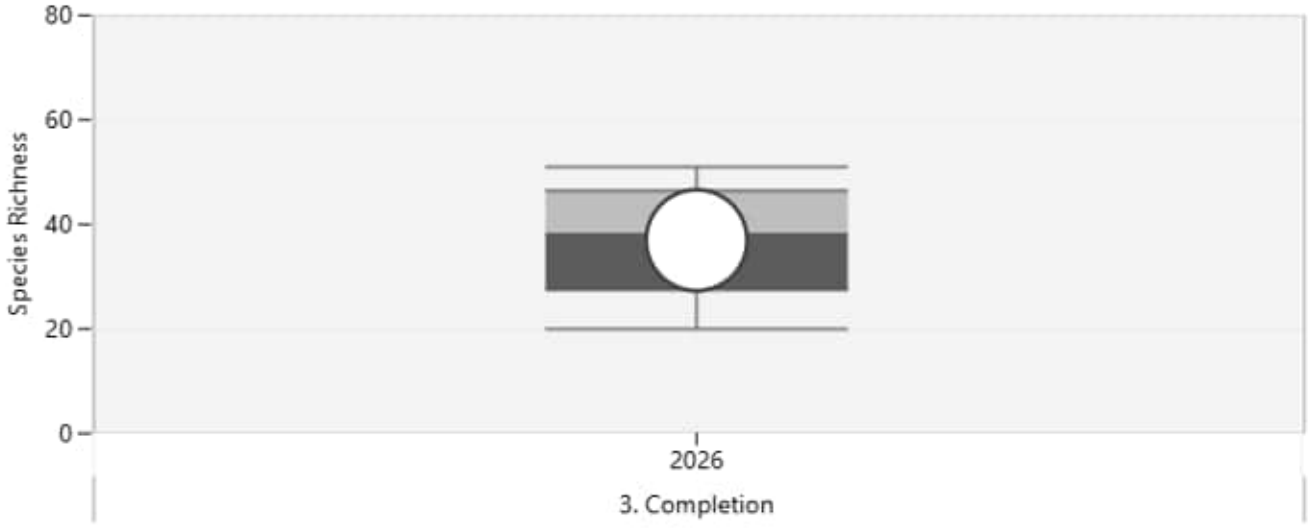


Figure 7-12 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean (‘o’) of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-13 illustrates the distinct perennial species count at each plot surveyed in FY2026, with Table 7-6 showing the corresponding plot corner photos visualising the vegetation condition at the time of survey.

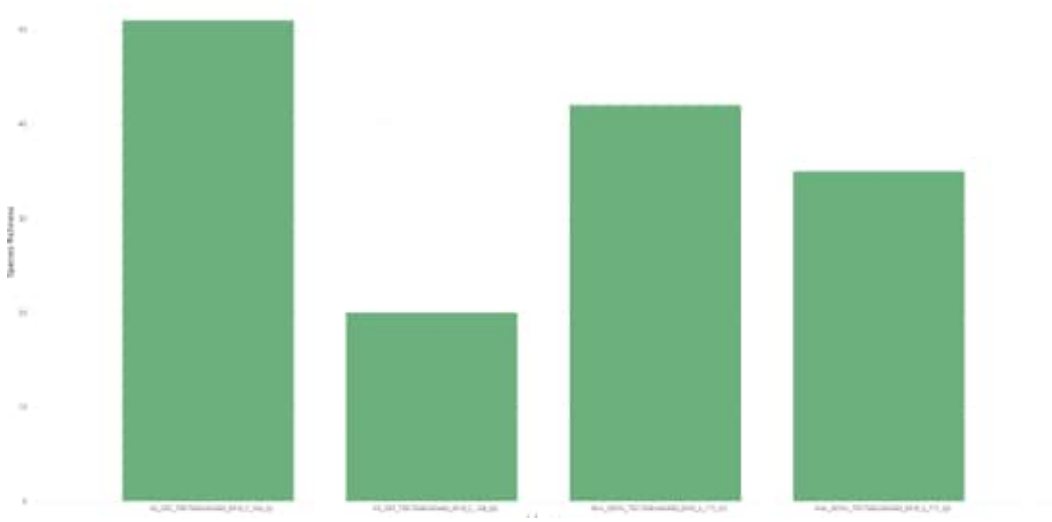


Figure 7-13 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-6 Chichester Deviation permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
RAIL	RHIL_ROYH_703_7540_MGA50_2010_S_171_Q2	2026	16		
RAIL	RHIL_ROYH_703_7540_MGA50_2010_S_171_Q1	2026	16		
RAIL	EX_DEP_708_7549_MGA50_2010_F_154_Q2	2026	16		
RAIL	EX_DEP_708_7549_MGA50_2010_F_154_Q1	2026	16		

A total of two weed species, *Cenchrus ciliaris* and *Cenchrus setiger*, were identified within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone grass and shrub species were recorded across the Chichester Deviation rehabilitation areas (Table 7-7), although no keystone tree species were observed during the FY2026 assessment. A total of 96.04 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, indicating a high degree of floristic similarity with surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across both grass and shrub lifeforms demonstrates that key ecological processes are occurring and contributing to ecosystem development. Collectively, these results indicate that the rehabilitation is progressing along a positive ecological trajectory towards a self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-7 Keystone Species Present within the Chichester Deviation Plots

Lifeform	Recorded Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia basedowii*
	Triodia epactia
Keystone Shrubs	*Grevillea wickhamii*
Keystone Trees	*Not present*

7.4.5 Port Hedland – Boodarie HBI

Remote Sensing Assessment

Assessed in FY2025 and reported in FY2026, a total of 223.22 ha of rehabilitation, distributed across 15 sites, was assessed at Boodarie HBI. This comprised 15 flat landforms (223.22 ha) (Table 7-8). Rehabilitated sites less than 0.25 ha in area were excluded from the analysis presented below.

Table 7-8 Rehabilitated Area at Boodarie HBI

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2025)	Number of sites (2023)
Completion	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	38.34	14	-
	Slope	-	-	-
Progressive	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	-	-	-
	Slope	-	-	-
Young	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	184.88	1	-
	Slope	-	-	-

* Sites that do not currently have accurate date information have been assessed at Completion age.

Completion Age (greater than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across completion-aged rehabilitation at Boodarie HBI, including areas where rehabilitation age could not be accurately determined, was 67.56 per cent, ranging from 10.35 per cent to 89.69 per cent. (Figure 7-14). On average, native vegetation comprised 7.86 per cent shrub cover and 59.69 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.) (Figure 7-15) Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 0.06 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas. Bare ground cover averaged 32.38 per cent across completion-aged rehabilitation and ranged from 10.29 per cent to 89.65 per cent.

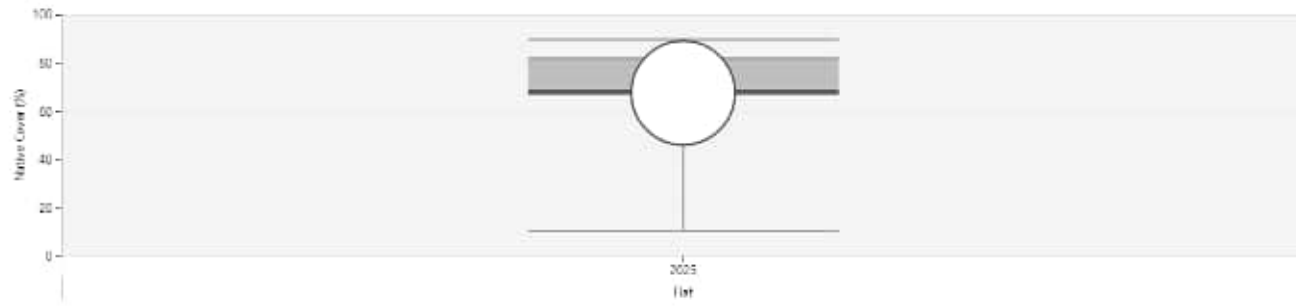


Figure 7-14 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Boodarie HBI *(sites older than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

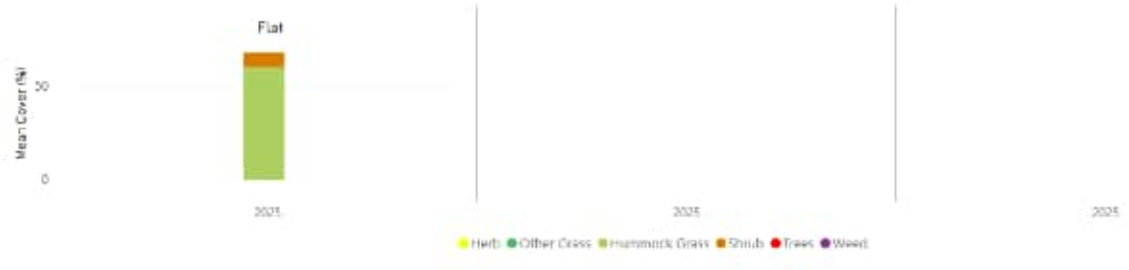


Figure 7-15 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Boodarie HBI for each landform *(sites older than 15 years)*
Sites shown are greater than 0.25ha

Rehabilitated sites greater than 15 years old accounted for 38.34 ha of the total rehabilitated area at Boodarie HBI. While no sites currently meet all ecological completion criteria targets for the Grass Steppe vegetation type, varying levels of progress towards individual completion criteria have been achieved across the assessed rehabilitation areas (Table 7-9).

Table 7-9 Summary of Completion Criteria (> 15 Years) for Boodarie HBI assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 15 years assessed against completion criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

			Percent of Rehabilitated Areas (> 15 Years) Meeting Completion Criteria							
Site Details			All Criteria	Hummock Grass Cover	Other Grass Cover	Shrub Cover	Tree Cover	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Cenchrus (Weed) Cover
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>15%	>0.01%	>0.2%	>0.00%	<50%	<10%	<10%
Crest	2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flat	2025	38.34	0	96.8	0	95.4	0	94.0	100	100
	2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Slope	2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

On-ground Assessment

The FY2025 on-ground assessment was deferred to FY2026; accordingly, the results of the assessment are reported below.

The on-ground assessment at Boodarie HBI was undertaken between 22 and 24 April 2026. A total of 11 quadrats, all located on flat landforms, were surveyed to assess species richness. The monitoring program included plots representing both Young (n=9) and Completion (n=2) rehabilitation age classes. Across the surveyed quadrats, 69 perennial species and 25 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness was 21 species per quadrat across all monitored age classes. Completion-aged rehabilitation supported the highest average perennial species richness, with a mean of 29 species per quadrat, compared with 19 species per quadrat in Young rehabilitation areas (Figure 7-16).

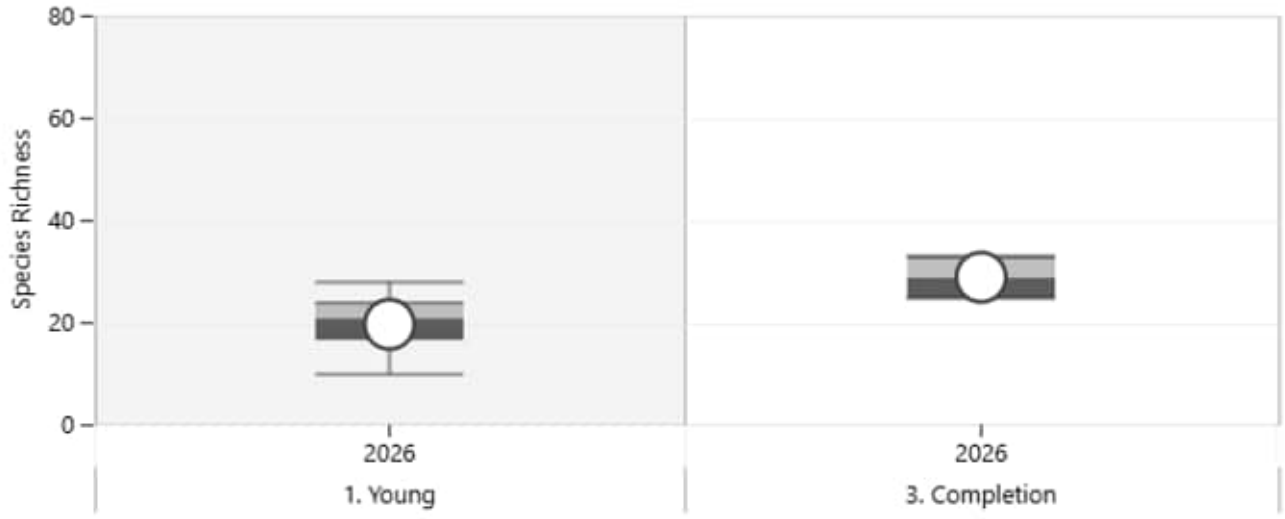


Figure 7-16 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean ('o') of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-17 illustrates the distinct perennial species richness recorded at each permanent monitoring plot surveyed in FY2026, while Table 7-10 presents the corresponding plot corner photographs, providing a visual representation of vegetation conditions across the monitored rehabilitation areas at the time of survey.

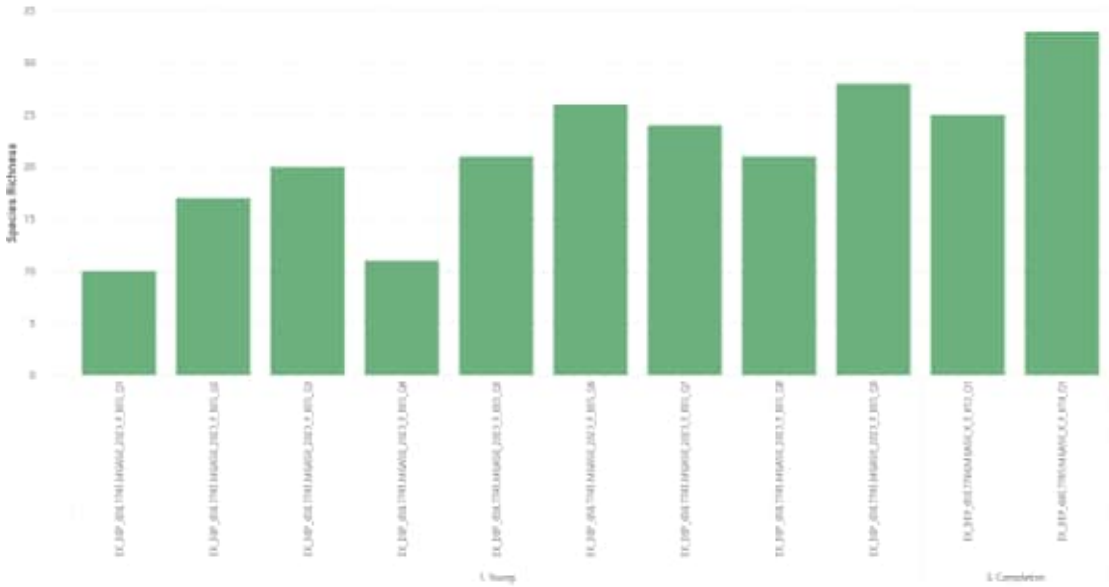
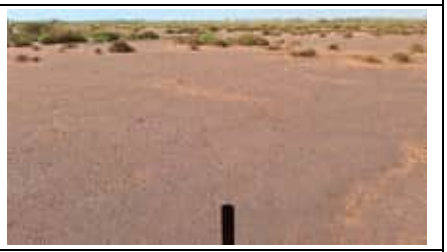


Figure 7-17 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-10 Boodarie HBI permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_ MGA50_2023_F_835 _Q7	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_ MGA50_2023_F_835 _Q8	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_ MGA50_2023_F_835 _Q9	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_ MGA50_2023_F_835 _Q3	2026	3		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_MGA50_2023_F_835_Q1	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_MGA50_2023_F_835_Q2	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_MGA50_2023_F_835_Q4	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_MGA50_2023_F_835_Q5	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_658_7745_MGA50_2023_F_835_Q6	2026	3		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_660_7745_MGA50_X_F_619_Q1	2026	17		
BOODARIE	EX_DEP_659_7746_MGA50_X_F_612_Q1	2026	17		

A total of four weed species, *Aerva javanica, Cenchrus ciliaris, Cenchrus setiger* and *Indigofera oblongifolia*, were recorded within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone grass species were present across the Boodarie HBI rehabilitation areas (Table 7-11), although no keystone shrub or tree species were observed during the FY2026 assessment. A total of 77.89 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, demonstrating a strong degree of floristic alignment with

surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across both grass and shrub lifeforms indicates that key ecological processes are occurring within the rehabilitation areas. Given that the majority of monitored plots were classified within the Young rehabilitation age class, these results suggest the rehabilitation is developing along an expected ecological trajectory towards a self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-11 Keystone Species Present within the Boodarie Plots

Lifeform	Keystone Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia schinzii*
	Triodia epactia
Keystone Shrubs	*Not present*
Keystone Trees	*Not present*

7.4.6 Mining Area C

Remote Sensing Assessment

A total of 458.27 ha of rehabilitation, distributed across 141 sites, was assessed at Mining Area C. This comprised 125 flat landforms (403.84 ha) and 16 slope landforms (54.43 ha) (Table 7-12). Rehabilitated sites less than 0.25 ha in area were excluded from the analysis presented below.

Table 7-12 Rehabilitated Area at Mining Area C

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2026)	Number of sites (2024)
Completion	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	45.72	28	21
	Slope	11.18	12	6
Progressive	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	300.09	79	18
	Slope	43.25	4	10
Young	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	58.03	18	69
	Slope	-	-	-

* Sites that do not currently have accurate date information have been assessed at Completion age.

Completion Age (greater than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across completion-aged rehabilitation at Mining Area C, including areas where rehabilitation age could not be accurately determined, was 44.93 per cent, ranging from 0.66 per cent to 87.37 per cent. Rehabilitated flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 46.52 per cent and 36.37 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-18). On average, native vegetation comprised 29.41 per cent shrub cover, 10.09 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 4.29 per cent other grass (tussock), and 1.15 per cent tree cover (Figure 7-19). Mean hummock grass cover was slightly lower on flat landforms (10.08 per cent) than on slope landforms (10.11 per cent). Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 1.66 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between flat (2.21 per cent) and slope (0.38 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 53.40 per cent across completion-aged rehabilitation and ranged from 12.61 per cent to 99.34 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on slope landforms (60.23 per cent), followed by flat landforms (50.47 per cent).

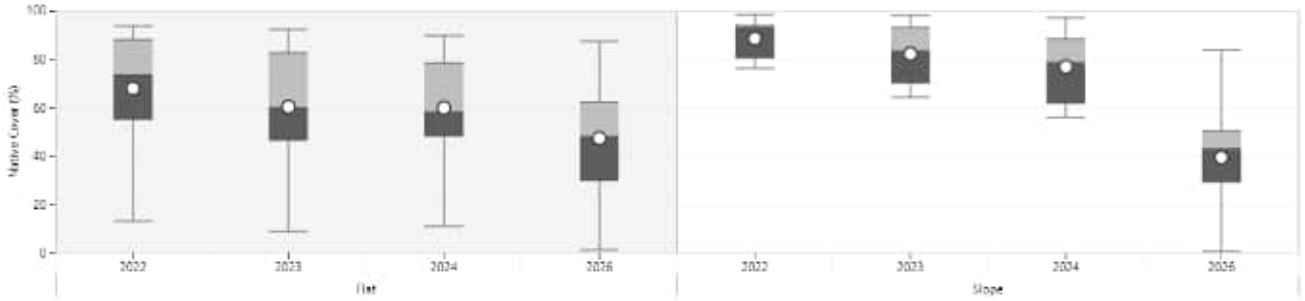


Figure 7-18 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Mining Area C *(sites older than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.



Figure 7-19 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Mining Area C for each landform *(sites older than 15 years)*
Sites shown are greater than 0.25ha

Rehabilitated sites greater than 15 years old accounted for 56.89 ha of the total rehabilitated area at Mining Area C. While no sites currently meet all ecological completion criteria targets for the Low Tree Steppe vegetation type, varying levels of progress towards individual completion criteria have been achieved across the assessed rehabilitation areas (Table 7-13).

Table 7-13 Summary of Completion Criteria (> 15 Years) for Mining Area C assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 15 years assessed against completion criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

			Percent of Rehabilitated Areas (> 15 Years) Meeting Completion Criteria							
Site Details			All Criteria	Hummock Grass Cover	Other Grass Cover	Shrub Cover	Tree Cover	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Cenchrus (Weed) Cover
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>20%	>0.04%	>2%	>1.00%	<50%	<5%	<5%
Crest	2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2024	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flat	2026	45.72	0	10.1	18.4	1.0	7.8	35.2	86.8	86.8
	2024	37.58	0	57.4	56.2	1.1	49.9	56.7	100	100
Slope	2026	11.18	0	17.8	0	15.4	30.6	22.9	100	100
	2024	5.01	0	39.2	28.9	0	16.9	100	100	100

Progressive Sites (greater than 5 years, less than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across progressive-aged rehabilitation greater than 0.25 ha at Mining Area C was 25.15 per cent, ranging from 2.16 per cent to 76.75 per cent. Rehabilitated flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 24.10 per cent and 46.06 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-20). On average, native vegetation comprised 12.59 per cent shrub cover, 8.45 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 3.71 per cent other grass (tussock), and 0.40 per cent tree cover (Figure 7-21). Mean hummock grass cover was slightly lower on flat landforms (8.39 per cent) than on slope landforms (9.61 per cent). Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 1.63 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between flat (1.30 per cent) and slope (8.19 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 73.21 per cent and ranged from 23.25 per cent to 97.84 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on flat landforms (74.60 per cent), followed by slope landforms (45.75 per cent).

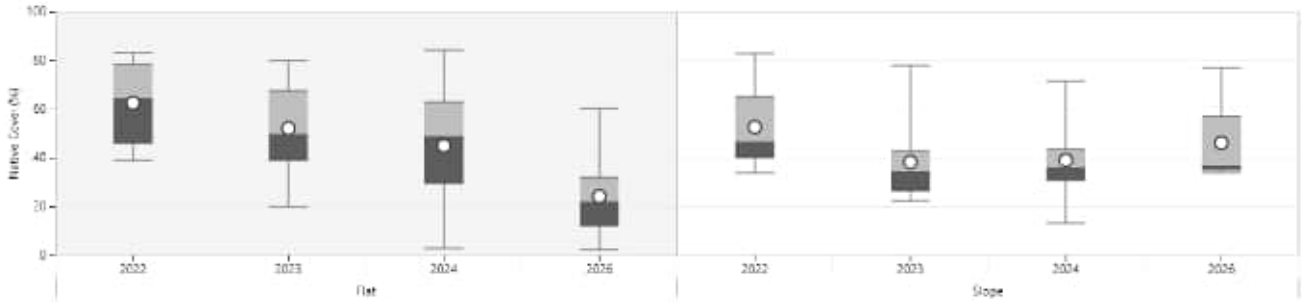


Figure 7-20 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Mining Area C *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.



Figure 7-21 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Mining Area C for each landform *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years).*

A total of 1.09 per cent (3.37 ha of 343.34 ha) of rehabilitated land within the Progressive age class (5–15 years) currently meets all progressive criteria targets (Table 7-14).

Table 7-14 Summary of Progressive Criteria (> 5 Years, < 15 Years) for Mining Area C assessed with remote sensing

The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 5 years but less than 15, assessed against the progressive criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

			Percent of Rehabilitated Area (>5 Years, < 15 Years) Meeting Progressive Criteria							
Site Details			All Criteria	Native Veg Cover	Hummock Grass: Total Native Ratio	Hummock Grass: Shrub Ratio	Shrub: Total Native Ratio	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Weed: Hummock Ratio
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>25 – 30 %	>0.20 – 0.30	>0.50	>0.50	<50 %	<10 %	<1
Crest	2026	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2024	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flat	2026	300.09	1.2	48.4	50.9	25.4	24.1	8.4	94.5	84.8
	2024	31.74	17.0	89.6	51.5	47.7	26.8	51.9	100	100
Slope	2026	43.25	0	100	58.9	58.9	0	17.4	60.0	60.0
	2024	49.43	2.7	79.2	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.7	48.4	13.5

On-ground Assessment

The on-ground assessment for Mining Area C was undertaken between 30 April and 3 May 2026. A total of 14 quadrats, comprising 12 flat and 2 slope landforms, were surveyed to assess species richness. The monitored quadrats represented both Progressive (n=13) and Completion (n=1) rehabilitation age classes. Across the surveyed plots, 132 perennial species and 11 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness across all monitored quadrats was 32 species per plot. The completion-aged plot supported the highest perennial species richness, with 39 species recorded, while Progressive rehabilitation plots had a mean perennial species richness of 31 species per quadrat (Figure 7-22).

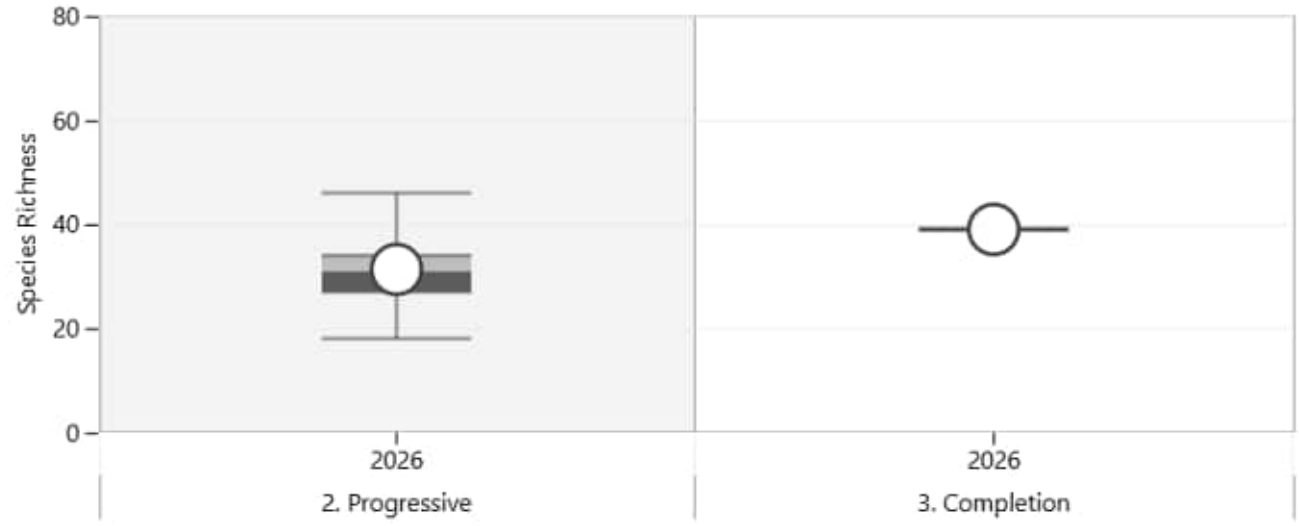


Figure 7-22 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups

Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean ('o') of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-23 illustrates the distinct perennial species richness recorded at each permanent monitoring plot surveyed in FY2026, while Table 7-15 presents the corresponding plot corner photographs, providing a visual representation of vegetation condition across the monitored rehabilitation areas at the time of survey.

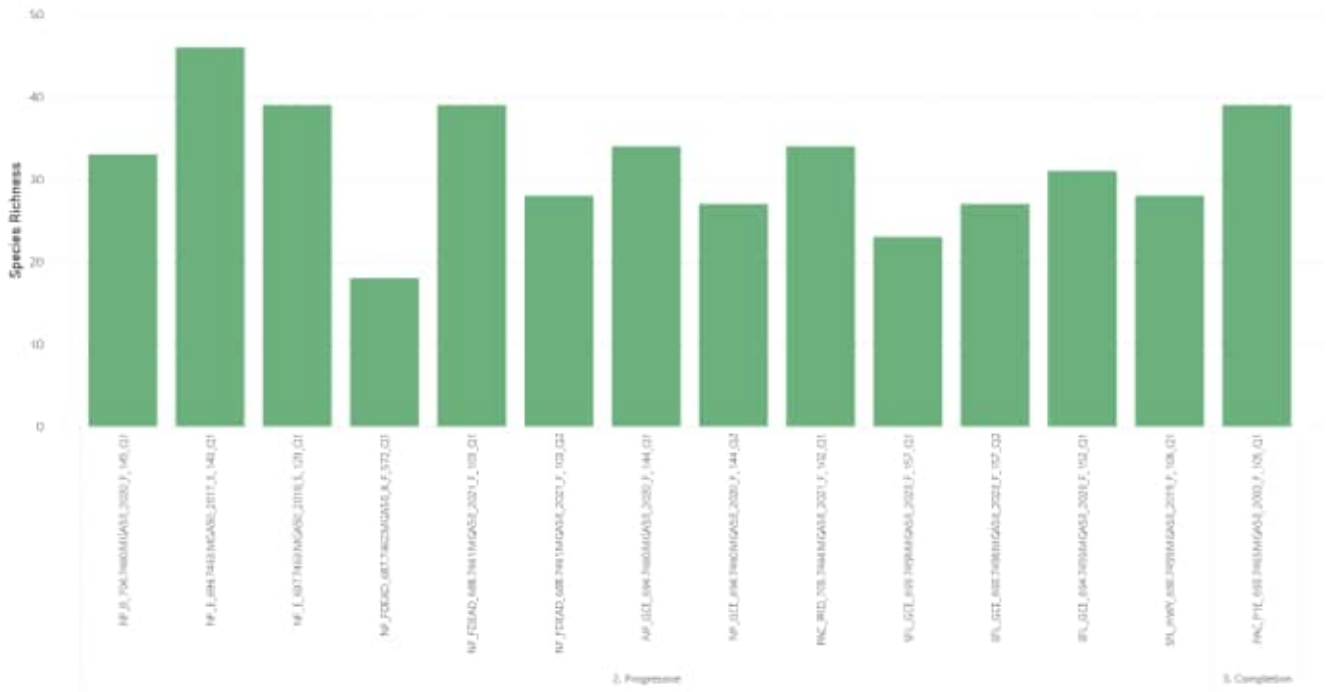


Figure 7-23 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-15 Mining Area C permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
MINING AREA C	NF_FDEAD_688_7461_MGA50_2021_F_103_Q1	2026	5		
MINING AREA C	PAC_PRD_705_7464_MGA50_2021_F_102_Q1	2026	5		
MINING AREA C	NF_FDEAD_688_7461_MGA50_2021_F_103_Q2	2026	5		
MINING AREA C	NF_FDEAD_687_7462_MGA50_X_F_572_Q1	2026	5		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
MINING AREA C	NF_GCE_694_7460_MGA50_2020_F_144_Q1	2026	6		
MINING AREA C	NF_GCE_694_7460_MGA50_2020_F_144_Q2	2026	6		
MINING AREA C	SFL_GCE_693_7458_MGA50_2020_F_157_Q1	2026	6		
MINING AREA C	SFL_GCE_693_7458_MGA50_2020_F_157_Q2	2026	6		
MINING AREA C	NF_B_704_7460_MGA50_2020_F_145_Q1	2026	6		
MINING AREA C	SFL_GCE_694_7459_MGA50_2020_F_152_Q1	2026	6		No Photo Available
MINING AREA C	SFL_HWY_690_7459_MGA50_2019_F_106_Q1	2026	7		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
MINING AREA C	NF_E_697_7463_MGA50_2018_S_129_Q1	2026	8		
MINING AREA C	NF_E_696_7463_MGA50_2017_S_140_Q1	2026	9		
MINING AREA C	PAC_P1E_693_7463_MGA50_2003_F_105_Q1	2026	23		

A total of four weed species, *Bidens bipinnata, Cenchrus ciliaris, Cenchrus setiger* and *Malvastrum americanum*, were recorded within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone species representing all major lifeforms, including grasses, shrubs and trees, were recorded across the Mining Area C rehabilitation plots (Table 7-16). A total of 86.81 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, demonstrating strong alignment with the composition of surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across grass, shrub and tree lifeforms indicates that key ecological processes are occurring and supporting ecosystem development. Collectively, these results indicate that rehabilitation is progressing along a positive ecological trajectory towards a mature, self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-16 Keystone Species Present within Mining Area C Plots

Lifeform	Keystone Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia basedowii*
	Triodia vanleeuwenii
	Triodia wiseana
Keystone Shrubs	*Acacia ancistrocarpa* *Acacia atkinsiana* *Acacia bivenosa* *Acacia hilliana* *Hakea chordophylla* *Senna artemisioides* *Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa* *Senna pleurocarpa* *Solanum lasiophyllum*
Keystone Trees	*Acacia aneura*
	Corymbia hamersleyana
	Eucalyptus gamophylla
	Eucalyptus leucophloia subsp. leucophloia

7.4.7 Newman – Eastern Ridge

Remote Sensing Assessment

A total of 156.52 ha of rehabilitation, distributed across 103 sites, was assessed at Eastern Ridge. This comprised five crest landforms (6.21 ha), 76 flat landforms (86.49 ha), and 22 slope landforms (63.82 ha) (Table 7-17). Rehabilitated sites less than 0.25 ha in area were excluded from the analysis presented below.

Table 7-17 Rehabilitated Area at Eastern Ridge

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2026)	Number of sites (2024)
Completion	**Crest**	5.14	4	4
	Flat	65.84	68	66
	Slope	50.92	17	17
Progressive	**Crest**	1.06	1	1
	Flat	20.65	8	8
	Slope	7.88	3	3

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2026)	Number of sites (2024)
Young	Crest	-	-	-
	Flat	-	-	-
	Slope	5.02	2	-

* Sites that do not currently have accurate date information have been assessed at Completion age.

Completion Age (greater than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across completion-aged rehabilitation at Eastern Ridge, including areas where rehabilitation age could not be accurately determined, was 38.19 per cent, ranging from 1.01 per cent to 84.97 per cent. Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 34.58 per cent, 40.97 per cent and 27.92 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-24). On average, native vegetation comprised 20.41 per cent shrub cover, 16.65 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 0.78 per cent tree cover, and 0.35 per cent other grass (tussock) cover (Figure 7-25). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on crest landforms (12.06 per cent), followed by slope (12.42 per cent) and flat (17.98 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 10.56 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between slope (8.26 per cent), crest (8.48 per cent) and flat (11.26 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 51.22 per cent and ranged from 13.79 per cent to 98.97 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on slope landforms (63.79 per cent), followed by crest (56.88 per cent) and flat (47.74 per cent) landforms.

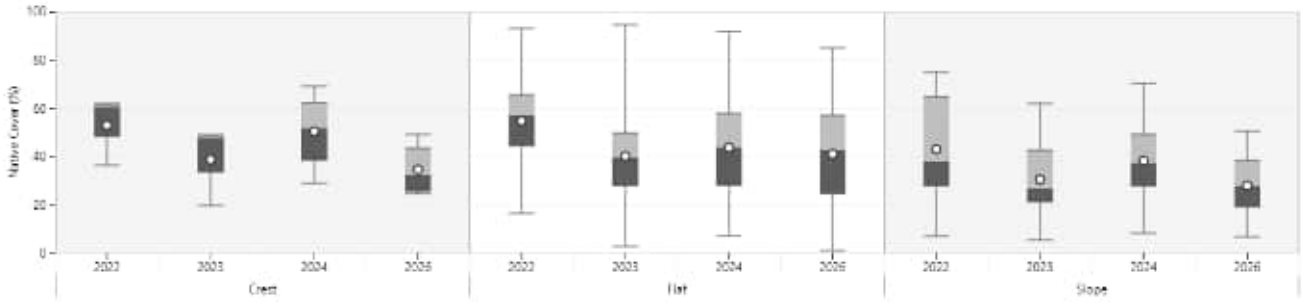


Figure 7-24 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Eastern Ridge *(sites older than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

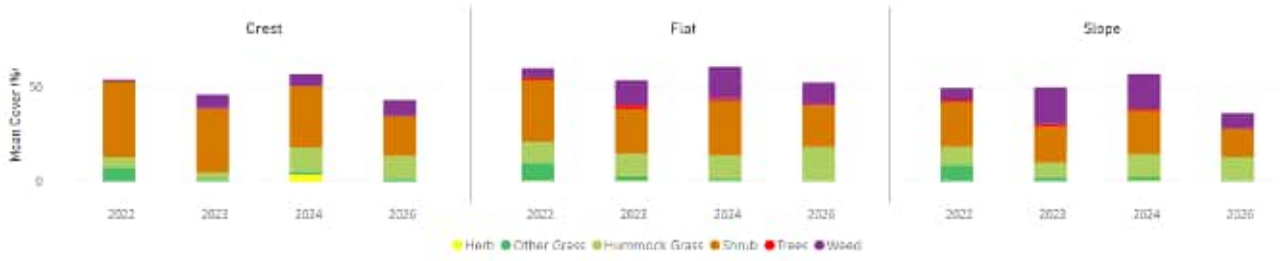


Figure 7-25 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Eastern Ridge for each landform *(sites older than 15 years)*
Sites shown are greater than 0.25ha

Rehabilitated sites greater than 15 years old accounted for 121.91 ha of the total rehabilitated area at Eastern Ridge. Of this area, 1.10 ha (0.9 per cent) currently meets all ecological completion criteria targets for the Low Tree Steppe vegetation type, while varying levels of progress towards individual completion criteria have been achieved across the remaining rehabilitation areas (Table 7-18).

Table 7-18 Summary of Completion Criteria (> 15 Years) for Eastern Ridge assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 15 years assessed against completion criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Areas (> 15 Years) Meeting Completion Criteria							
			All Criteria	Hummock Grass Cover	Other Grass Cover	Shrub Cover	Tree Cover	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Cenchrus (Weed) Cover
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>20%	>0.04%	>2%	>1.00%	<50%	<10%	<10%
Crest	2026	5.14	0	9.4	100	100	0	42.5	21.8	21.8
	2024	5.14	0	9.4	90.6	100	0	87.6	57.5	57.5
Flat	2026	65.84	1.7	47.6	85.2	96.1	22.5	61.3	75.7	75.7
	2024	62.43	0.5	29.3	87.2	100	20.9	72.7	53.6	53.6
Slope	2026	50.92	0	12.2	84.6	100	2.7	5.3	75.9	75.9
	2024	50.92	4.2	18.5	87.6	100	6.9	58.2	7.9	7.9

Progressive Sites (greater than 5 years, less than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across progressive-aged rehabilitation greater than 0.25 ha at Eastern Ridge was 40.22 per cent, ranging from 0.72 per cent to 72.87 per cent. Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 4.65 per cent, 48.83 per cent and 29.13 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-26). On average, native vegetation comprised 26.58 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 12.41 per cent shrub cover, 0.50 per cent tree cover, and 0.73 per cent other grass (tussock) cover (Figure 7-27). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on crest landforms (0.52 per cent), compared with slope (10.31 per cent) and flat (35.94 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 6.41 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between crest (29.51 per cent), flat (4.75 per cent) and slope (3.15 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 53.33 per cent and ranged from 26.99 per cent to 99.09 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on slope landforms (67.64 per cent), followed by crest (65.67 per cent) and flat (46.42 per cent) landforms.

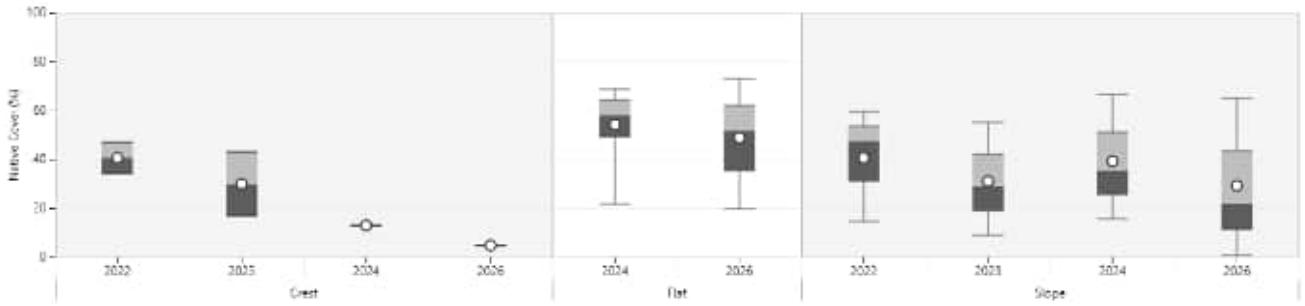


Figure 7-26 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Eastern Ridge *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

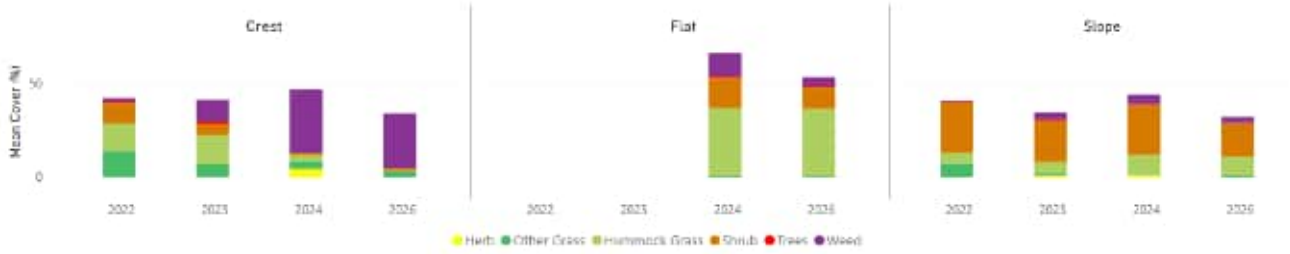


Figure 7-27 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Eastern Ridge for each landform *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years).*

A total of 30.59 per cent (9.05 ha of 29.59 ha) of rehabilitated land within the Progressive age class (5–15 years) currently meets all progressive criteria targets (Table 7-19), demonstrating that a proportion of the assessed rehabilitation is achieving the expected ecological trajectory benchmarks for this stage of development.

Table 7-19 Summary of Progressive Criteria (> 5 Years, < 15 Years) for Eastern Ridge assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 5 years but less than 15, assessed against the progressive criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Area (>5 Years, < 15 Years) Meeting Progressive Criteria							
			All Criteria	Native Veg Cover	Hummock Grass: Total Native Ratio	Hummock Grass: Shrub Ratio	Shrub: Total Native Ratio	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Weed: Hummock Ratio
Landform	Year	Area (ha)		>25 – 30 %	>0.20 – 0.30	>0.50	>0.50	<50 %	<10 %	<1
Crest	2026	1.06	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0
	2024	1.06	0	0	100	100	100	0	0	0
Flat	2026	20.65	43.8	97.1	100	100	95.1	45.8	81.5	97.1
	2024	20.65	43.5	97.1	97.1	94.1	97.1	97.1	43.5	78.7
Slope	2026	7.88	0	84.2	96.5	96.5	0	84.2	100	84.2
	2024	7.88	0	96.5	15.8	3.5	3.5	84.2	87.7	87.7

On-ground Assessment

The on-ground assessment for Eastern Ridge was undertaken between 2 and 4 May 2026. A total of six quadrats, comprising one crest, four flat and one slope landform, were surveyed to assess species richness. The monitored quadrats represented both Progressive (n=1) and Completion (n=5) rehabilitation age classes. Across the surveyed plots, 66 perennial species and 7 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness across all monitored quadrats was 19 species per plot. Progressive rehabilitation plots supported the highest average perennial species richness, with a mean of 26 species per quadrat, compared with 19 species per quadrat in Completion-aged rehabilitation (Figure 7-28).

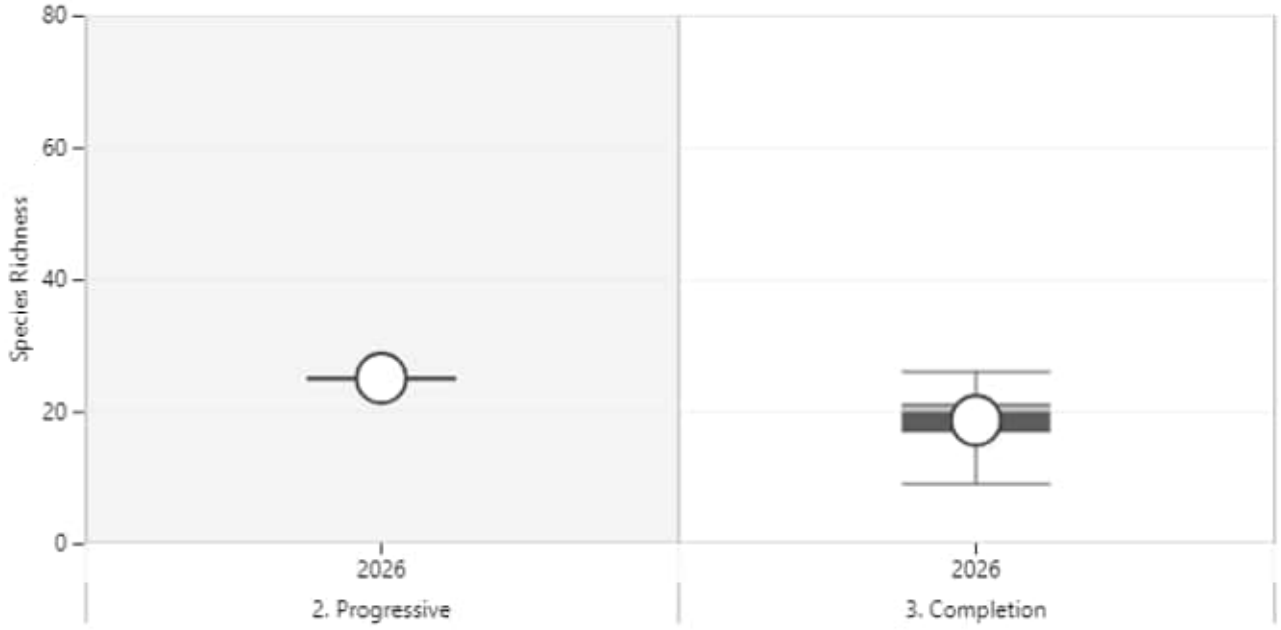


Figure 7-28 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean (‘o’) of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-29 illustrates the distinct perennial species richness recorded at each permanent monitoring plot surveyed in FY2026, while Table 7-20 presents the corresponding plot corner photographs, providing a visual representation of vegetation condition across the monitored rehabilitation areas at the time of survey.

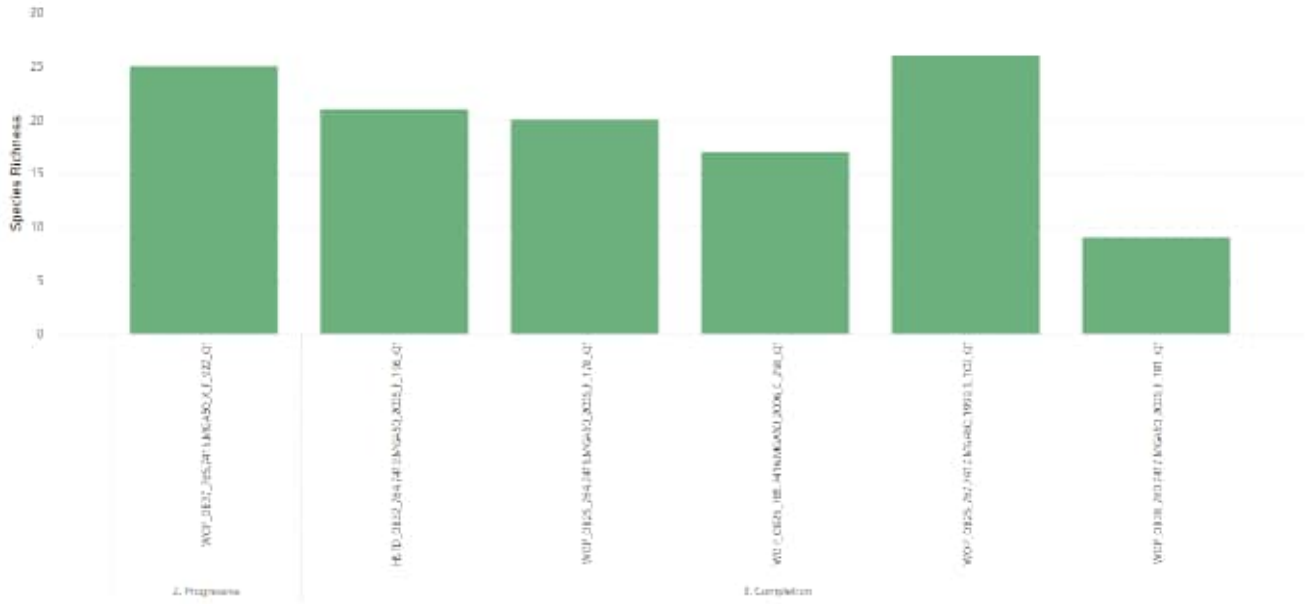


Figure 7-29 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-20 Eastern Ridge permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
EASTERN RIDGE	WOP_OB37_785_7415_MGA50_X_F_922_Q1	2026	14		
EASTERN RIDGE	WOP_OB38_780_7417_MGA50_2006_F_181_Q1	2026	20		
EASTERN RIDGE	WOP_OB25_785_7416_MGA50_2006_C_258_Q1	2026	20		
EASTERN RIDGE	WOP_OB25_784_7416_MGA50_2006_F_178_Q1	2026	20		
EASTERN RIDGE	HSTD_OB32_784_7419_MGA50_2006_F_196_Q1	2026	20		
EATERN RIDGE	WOP_OB25_787_7417_MGA50_1999_S_100_Q1	2026	27		

A total of three weed species, *Aerva javanica, Cenchrus ciliaris* and *Cenchrus setiger*, were recorded within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone species representing all major lifeforms, including grasses, shrubs and trees, were recorded across the Eastern Ridge rehabilitation plots (Table 7-21). A total of 93.15 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, demonstrating strong alignment with the composition of surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across grass and shrub lifeforms indicates that key ecological processes are occurring and supporting ecosystem development. Collectively, these results indicate that rehabilitation is progressing along a positive ecological trajectory towards a mature, self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-21 Keystone Species Present within Eastern Ridge Plots

Lifeform	Keystone Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia basedowii*
	Triodia vanleeuwenii
Keystone Shrubs	*Acacia ancistrocarpa* *Acacia bivenosa* *Hakea chordophylla* *Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa* *Solanum lasiophyllum*
Keystone Trees	*Acacia aneura*
	Corymbia hamersleyana
	Eucalyptus leucophloia subsp. leucophloia

7.4.8 Newman – Mt Whaleback

Remote Sensing Assessment

A total of 466.16 ha of rehabilitation, distributed across 118 sites, was assessed at Mt Whaleback. This comprised 26 crest landforms (49.07 ha), 49 flat landforms (205.45 ha), and 43 slope landforms (211.64 ha) (Table 7-22). Rehabilitated sites less than 0.25 ha in area were excluded from the analysis presented below.

Table 7-22 Rehabilitated Area at Mt Whaleback

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2026)	Number of sites (2024)
Completion	**Crest**	0.40	1	1
	Flat	36.87	17	8
	Slope	16.10	9	2
Progressive	**Crest**	48.67	25	25
	Flat	160.14	31	40
	Slope	186.30	33	40
Young	**Crest**	-	-	-
	Flat	8.44	1	-
	Slope	9.23	1	-

* Sites that do not currently have accurate date information have been assessed at Completion age.

Completion Age (greater than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across completion-aged rehabilitation at Mt Whaleback, including areas where rehabilitation age could not be accurately determined, was 26.34 per cent, ranging from 3.42 per cent to 66.67 per cent (Figure 7-30). Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 37.41 per cent, 27.25 per cent and 23.40 per cent, respectively. On average, native vegetation comprised 15.19 per cent shrub cover, 10.70 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 0.31 per cent tree cover, and 0.13 per cent other grass (tussock) cover (Figure 7-31). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on crest landforms (0.98 per cent), compared with flat (10.82 per cent) and slope (11.55 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 23.35 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between crest (21.49 per cent), flat (22.10 per cent) and slope (25.90 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 49.95 per cent and ranged from 7.02 per cent to 90.33 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on flat landforms (50.41 per cent), followed by slope (50.07 per cent) and crest (41.09 per cent) landforms.

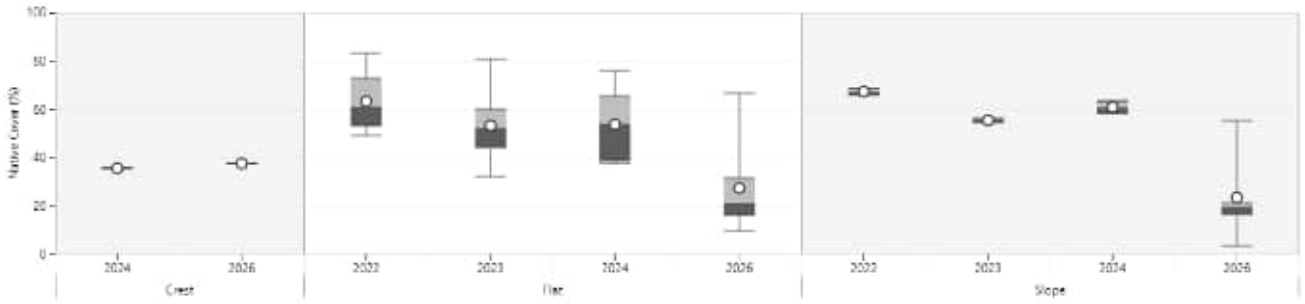


Figure 7-30 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Mt Whaleback *(sites older than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

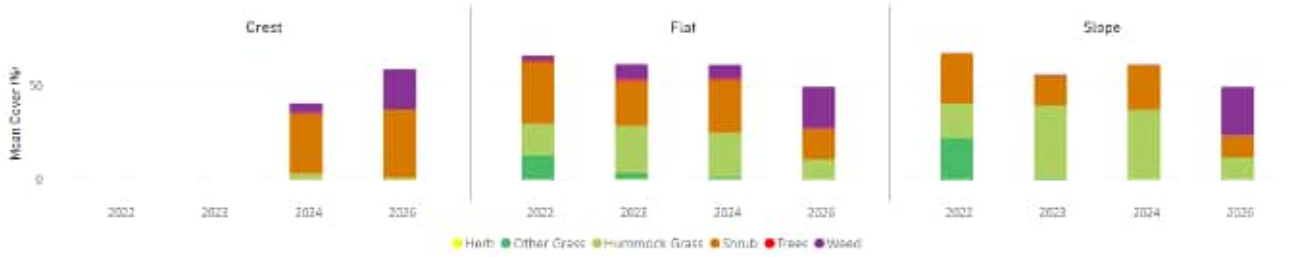


Figure 7-31 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Mt Whaleback for each landform *(sites older than 15 years)*
Sites shown are greater than 0.25ha

Rehabilitated sites greater than 15 years old accounted for 53.38 ha of the total rehabilitated area at Mt Whaleback. While no sites currently meet all ecological completion criteria targets for the Low Tree Steppe vegetation type, varying levels of progress towards individual completion criteria have been achieved across the assessed rehabilitation areas (Table 7-23).

Table 7-23 Summary of Completion Criteria (> 15 Years) for Mt Whaleback assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 15 years assessed against completion criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Areas (> 15 Years) Meeting Completion Criteria							
			All Criteria	Hummock Grass Cover	Other Grass Cover	Shrub Cover	Tree Cover	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Cenchrus (Weed) Cover
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>20%	>0.04%	>2%	>1.00%	<50%	<10%	<5%
Crest	2026	0.40	0	0	0	100	0	100	0	0
	2024	0.40	0	0	0	100	0	0	100	100
Flat	2026	36.87	0	23.14	76.5	100	1.9	54.9	40.5	40.5
	2024	13.82	18.6	86.8	98.2	100	26.3	62.1	62.0	62.0
Slope	2026	16.10	0	5.3	87.7	100	0	66.1	7.7	7.7
	2024	0.85	0	100	100	100	0	100	100	100

Progressive Sites (greater than 5 years, less than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across progressive-aged rehabilitation greater than 0.25 ha at Mt Whaleback was 33.19 per cent, ranging from 0.26 per cent to 90.53 per cent. Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 27.79 per cent, 32.30 per cent and 38.12 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-32). On average, native vegetation comprised 17.45 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 15.01 per cent shrub cover, 0.45 per cent other grass (tussock) cover, and 0.28 per cent tree cover (Figure 7-33). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on flat landforms (12.18 per cent), compared with crest (16.48 per cent) and slope (23.13 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 13.27 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between crest (18.68 per cent), flat (17.25 per cent) and slope (5.44 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 52.09 per cent and ranged from 9.45 per cent to 99.68 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on slope landforms (54.04 per cent), followed by crest (53.36 per cent) and flat (48.98 per cent) landforms.

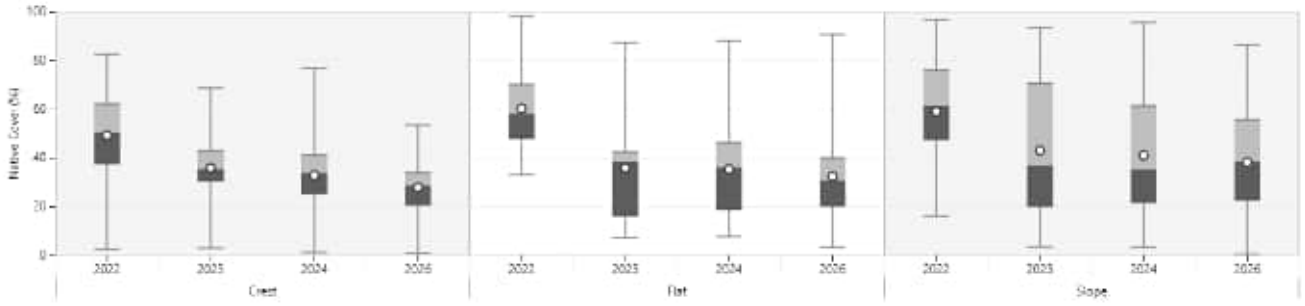


Figure 7-32 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Mt Whaleback *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

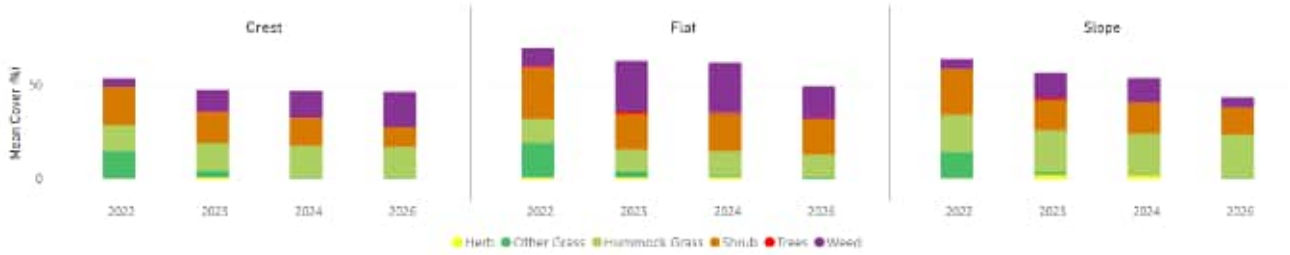


Figure 7-33 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Mt Whaleback for each landform *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years).*

A total of 5.3 per cent (20.85 ha of 395.12 ha) of rehabilitated land within the Progressive age class (5–15 years) currently meets all progressive criteria targets (Table 7-24), demonstrating that a proportion of the assessed rehabilitation is achieving the expected ecological trajectory benchmarks for this stage of development.

Table 7-24 Summary of Progressive Criteria (> 5 Years, < 15 Years) for Mt Whaleback assessed with remote sensing

The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 5 years but less than 15, assessed against the progressive criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Area (>5 Years, < 15 Years) Meeting Progressive Criteria							
			All Criteria	Native Veg Cover	Hummock Grass: Total Native Ratio	Hummock Grass: Shrub Ratio	Shrub: Total Native Ratio	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Weed: Hummock Ratio
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>25 – 30 %	>0.20 – 0.30	>0.50	>0.50	<50 %	<10 %	<1
Crest	2026	48.67	1.0	52.5	62.6	62.6	36.8	58.4	33.7	32.5
	2024	48.67	4.3	87.3	65.7	35.0	33.7	60.5	35.0	34.9
Flat	2026	160.14	1.3	60.0	55.1	53.6	25.6	30.9	69.4	50.3
	2024	183.20	6.3	64.5	44.5	48.5	23.2	69.5	50.1	50.8
Slope	2026	186.30	9.8	35.0	77.1	76.1	74.4	23.9	85.5	51.4
	2024	201.55	10.6	61.1	45.1	70.1	70.1	19.9	76.8	41.8

On-ground Assessment

The on-ground assessment for Mt Whaleback was undertaken between 3 and 4 May 2026. A total of 23 quadrats, comprising two crest, 12 flat and nine slope landforms, were surveyed to assess species richness. The monitored quadrats represented all rehabilitation age classes, including Young (n=1), Progressive (n=19) and Completion (n=3). Across the surveyed plots, 145 perennial species and 17 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness across all monitored quadrats was 24 species per plot. Progressive rehabilitation plots supported the highest average perennial species richness, with a mean of 25 species per quadrat, compared with 20 species per quadrat in Completion-aged rehabilitation and 14 species per quadrat in Young rehabilitation areas (Figure 7-34).

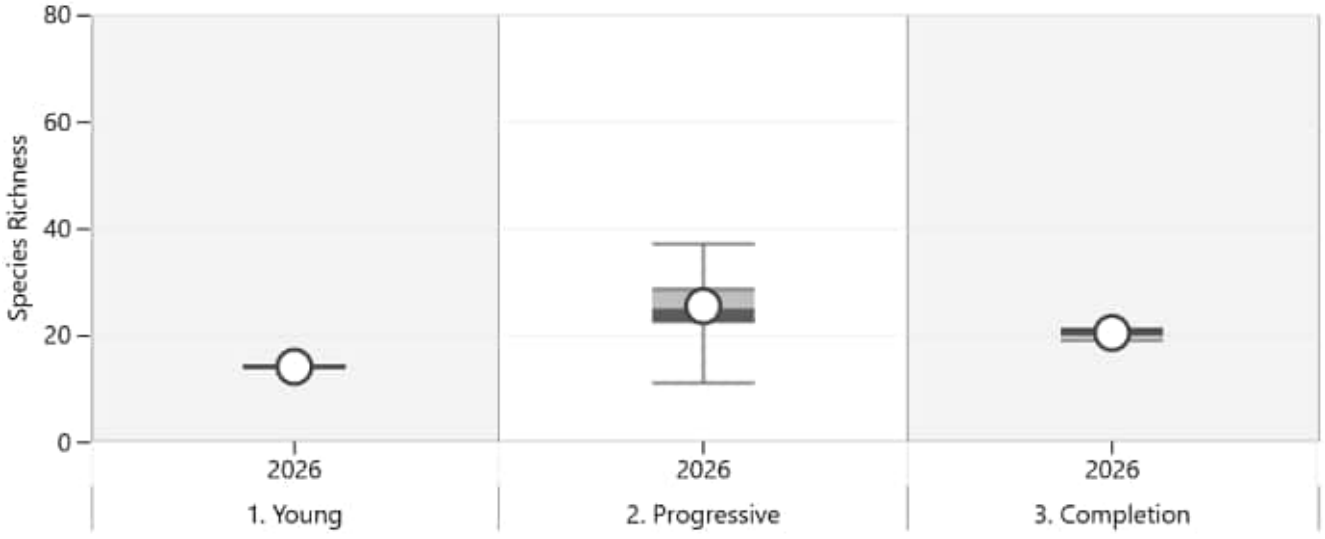


Figure 7-34 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups

Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean (‘o’) of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-35 illustrates the distinct perennial species richness recorded at each permanent monitoring plot surveyed in FY2026, while Table 7-25 presents the corresponding plot corner photographs, providing a visual representation of vegetation condition across the monitored rehabilitation areas at the time of survey

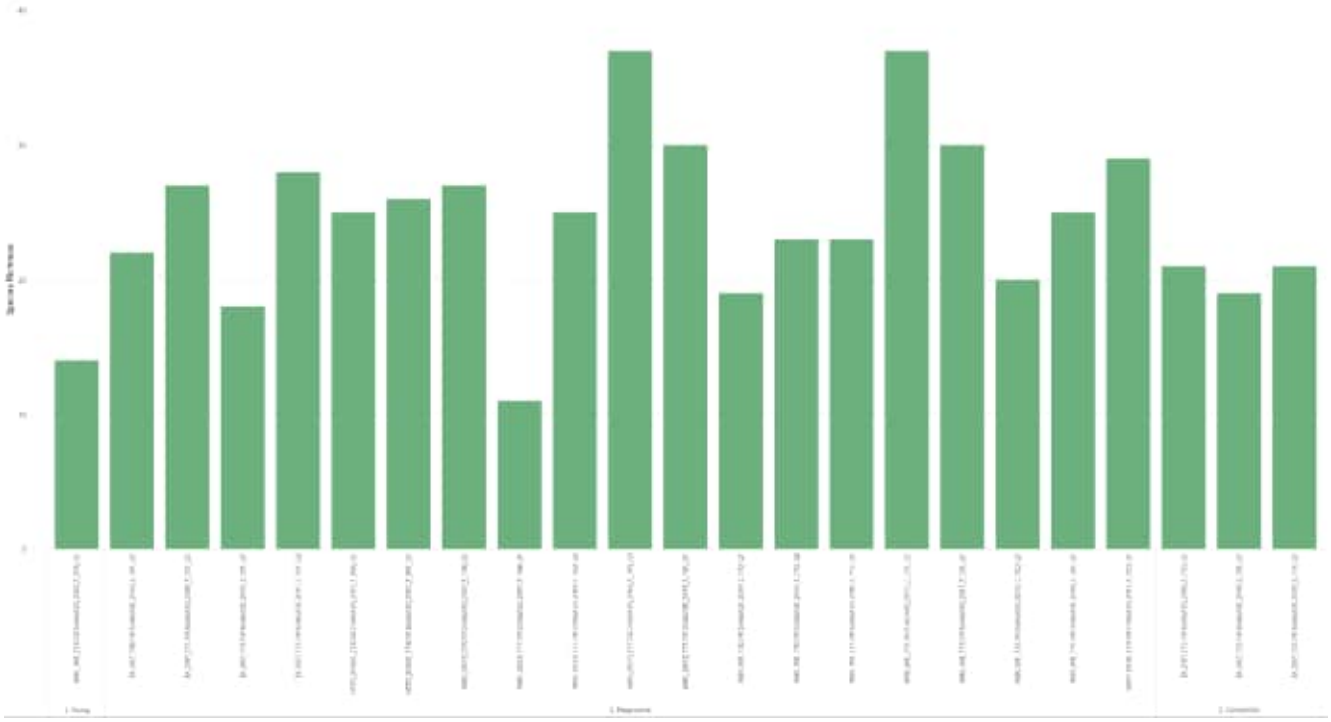


Figure 7-35 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-25 Mt Whaleback permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
WHALEBACK	EX_DEP_771_7416_MGA50_2018_F_101_Q1	2026	8		
WHALEBACK	WBK_WB_771_7416_MGA50_2018_F_113_Q1	2026	8		
WHALEBACK	WBK_WB_773_7415_MGA50_2017_F_123_Q1	2026	9		
WHALEBACK	WBK_WB_773_7415_MGA50_2017_C_122_Q1	2026	9		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
WHALEBACK	EX_DEP_773_7416_MGA50_2015_S_101_Q1	2026	11		
WHALEBACK	WBK_OB29_777_7413_MGA50_2015_S_104_Q1	2026	11		
WHALEBACK	WBK_WB_773_7416_MGA50_2015_C_100_Q1	2026	11		
WHALEBACK	EX_DEP_773_7416_MGA50_2015_S_101_Q2	2026	11		
WHALEBACK	WBK_OB29_777_7412_MGA50_2014_F_169_Q1	2026	12		
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WHALEBACK	WBK_OB29_777_7412_MGA50_2014_F_169_Q2	2026	12		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
WHALEBACK	WBK_OB29_776_7412_MGA50_2014_F_136_Q1	2026	12		
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WHALEBACK	HSTD_BONO_774_7417_MGA50_2012_F_556_Q1	2026	14		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
WHALEBACK	HSTD_BONO_776_7416_MGA50_2012_F_557_Q1	2026	14		
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WHALEBACK	EX_DEP_772_7416_MGA50_2010_S_105_Q1	2026	16		
WHALEBACK	EX_DEP_772_7416_MGA50_2010_S_114_Q1	2026	16		

A total of six weed species, *Aerva javanica, Cenchrus ciliaris, Cenchrus setiger, Indigofera oblongifolia, Malvastrum americanum* and *Vachellia farnesiana*, were recorded within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone species representing all major lifeforms, including grasses, shrubs and trees, were recorded across the Mt Whaleback rehabilitation plots (Table 7-26). A total of 93.83 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, demonstrating strong alignment with the composition of surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across grass and shrub lifeforms indicates that key ecological processes are occurring and supporting ecosystem development. Collectively, these results indicate that rehabilitation is progressing along a positive ecological trajectory towards a mature, self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-26 Keystone Species Present within Mt Whaleback Plots

Lifeform	Keystone Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia basedowii* *Triodia vanleeuwenii* *Triodia wiseana*
Keystone Shrubs	*Acacia ancistrocarpa* *Acacia atkinsiana* *Acacia bivenosa* *Acacia hilliana* *Hakea chordophylla* *Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa* *Solanum lasiophyllum*
Keystone Trees	*Acacia aneura* *Corymbia hamersleyana* *Eucalyptus leucophloia subsp. leucophloia*

7.4.9 Jimblebar

Remote Sensing Assessment

A total of 356.23 ha of rehabilitation, distributed across 150 sites, was assessed at Jimblebar. This comprised 17 crest landforms (75.69 ha), 102 flat landforms (165.30 ha), and 31 slope landforms (115.24 ha) (Table 7-27). Rehabilitated sites less than 0.25 ha in area were excluded from the analysis presented below.

Table 7-27 Rehabilitated Area at Jimblebar

Age	Landform	Area (ha)	Number of sites (2026)	Number of sites (2024)
Completion	Crest	3.74	2	2
	Flat	105.44	82	81
	Slope	12.17	15	15
Progressive	Crest	50.03	9	5
	Flat	37.37	18	16
	Slope	86.26	15	14
Young	Crest	21.92	6	10
	Flat	22.49	2	3
	Slope	16.81	1	2

* Sites that do not currently have accurate date information have been assessed at Completion age.

Completion Age (greater than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across completion-aged rehabilitation at Jimblebar, including areas where rehabilitation age could not be accurately determined, was 27.2 per cent, ranging from 0.0 per cent to 76.05 per cent. Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 21.13 per cent, 27.24 per cent and 27.20 per cent, respectively (Figure 7-36). On average, native vegetation comprised 16.98 per cent shrub cover, 8.74 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 1.35 per cent other grass (tussock), and 0.14 per cent tree cover (Figure 7-37). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on crest landforms (0.65 per cent), compared with slope (6.48 per cent) and flat (9.35 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 2.24 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between crest (0.33 per cent), flat (2.19 per cent) and slope (4.01 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 69.30 per cent across completion-aged rehabilitation and ranged from 0 per cent to 99.86 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on crest landforms (78.52 per cent), followed by flat (70.52 per cent) and slope (61.38 per cent) landforms.

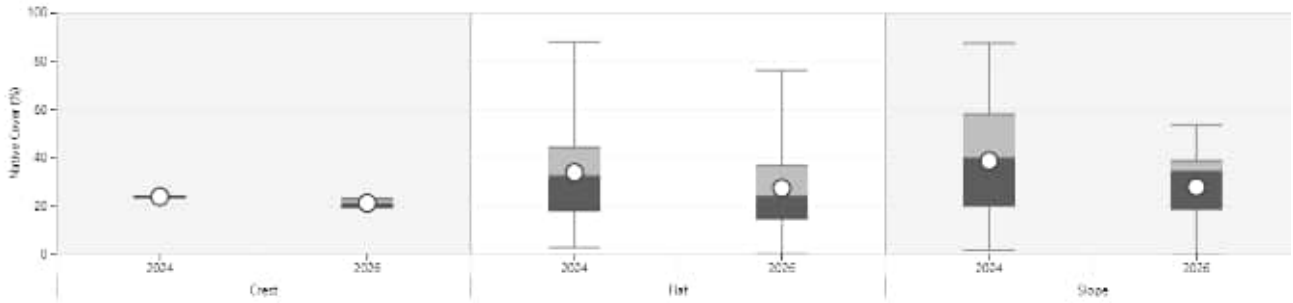


Figure 7-36 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Jimblebar *(sites older than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.



Figure 7-37 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Jimblebar for each landform *(sites older than 15 years)*
Sites shown are greater than 0.25ha

Rehabilitated sites greater than 15 years old accounted for 121.35 ha of the total rehabilitated area at Jimblebar. While no sites currently meet all ecological completion criteria targets for the Low Tree Steppe vegetation type, varying levels of progress towards individual completion criteria have been achieved across the assessed rehabilitation areas (Table 7-28).

Table 7-28 Summary of Completion Criteria (> 15 Years) for Jimblebar assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 15 years assessed against completion criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Areas (> 15 Years) Meeting Completion Criteria							
			All Criteria	Hummock Grass Cover	Other Grass Cover	Shrub Cover	Tree Cover	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Cenchrus (Weed) Cover
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>20%	>0.04%	>2%	>1.00%	<50%	<10%	<5%
Crest	2026	3.74	0	0	100	100	0	0	100	100
	2024	3.74	0	0	100	100	0	0	100	100
Flat	2026	105.44	0	24.2	95.5	99.1	1.2	12.7	96.3	96.3
	2024	103.75	2.6	34.6	97.8	98.1	12.4	13.0	96.6	95.6
Slope	2026	12.17	0	3.31	82.3	97.8	0	14.0	91.5	91.5
	2024	12.17	8.5	12.7	95.8	84.6	23.1	23.8	100	100

Progressive Sites (greater than 5 years, less than 15 years)

The average native vegetation cover across progressive-aged rehabilitation greater than 0.25 ha at Jimblebar was 41.63 per cent, ranging from 6.61 per cent to 81.31 per cent. Rehabilitated crest, flat and slope landforms supported mean native vegetation cover of 43.42 per cent, 42.68 per cent and 39.28 per cent, respectively (

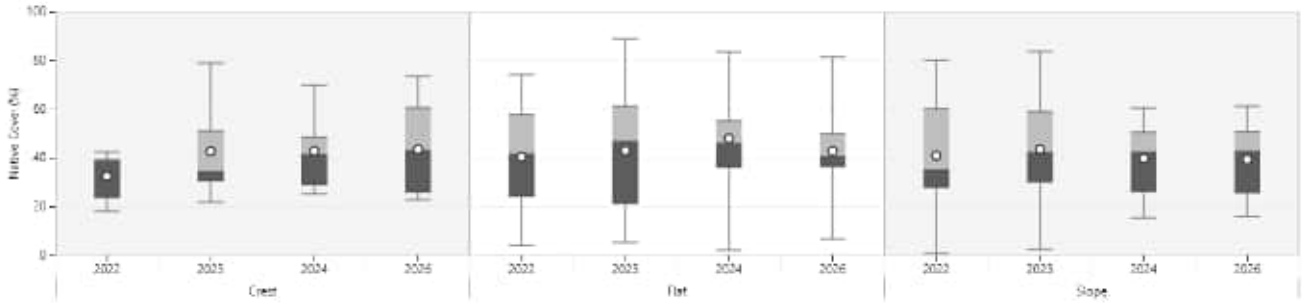


Figure 7-38). On average, native vegetation comprised 20.72 per cent shrub cover, 18.88 per cent hummock grass (*Triodia* spp.), 1.74 per cent other grass (tussock), and 0.29 per cent tree cover (Figure 7-39). Mean hummock grass cover was lowest on slope landforms (15.91 per cent), compared with crest (19.18 per cent) and flat (21.20 per cent) landforms. Introduced plant species (weeds) accounted for an average of 0.89 per cent cover across rehabilitated areas, with mean weed cover varying between crest (0.64 per cent), flat (1.47 per cent) and slope (0.32 per cent) landforms. Bare ground cover averaged 57.44 per cent and ranged from 18.30 per cent to 93.31 per cent. Mean bare ground cover was highest on slope landforms (60.33 per cent), followed by crest (55.93 per cent) and flat (55.78 per cent) landforms.

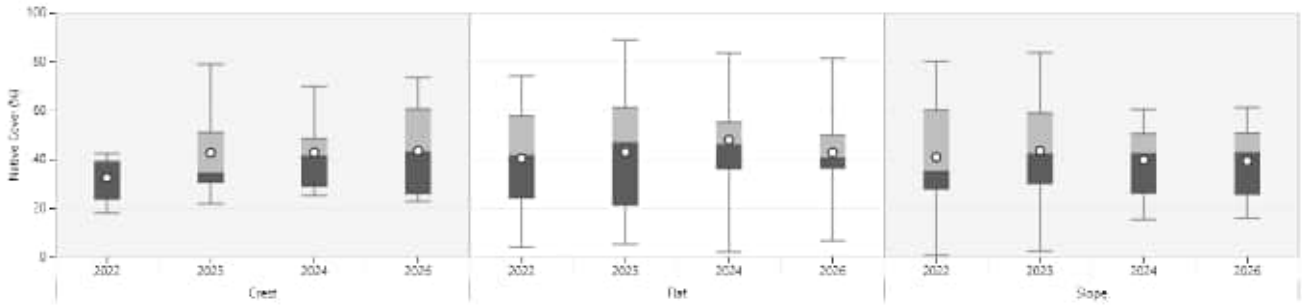


Figure 7-38 Boxplots summarising the total native vegetation cover recorded at rehabilitated sites at Jimblebar *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years)*
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid line), and mean ('o') of total native vegetation cover values recorded at each landform.

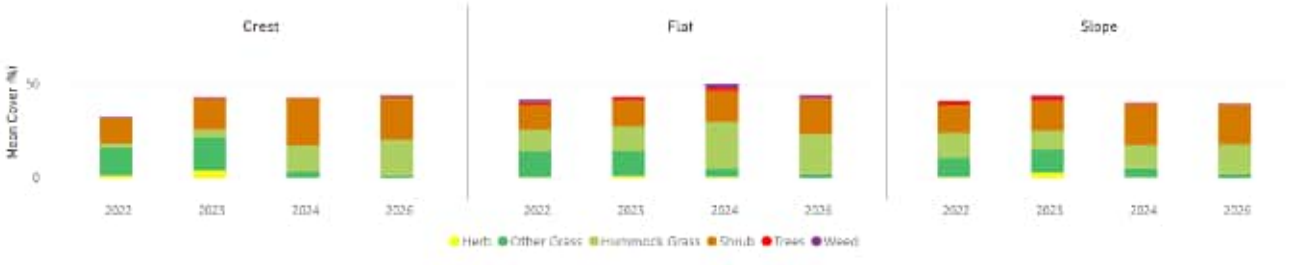


Figure 7-39 Mean per cent cover of lifeforms at Jimblebar for each landform *(sites older than 5 years but less than 15 years).*

A total of 23.6 per cent (40.98 ha of 173.66 ha) of rehabilitated land within the Progressive age class (5–15 years) currently meets all progressive criteria targets (Table 7-29), demonstrating that a substantial proportion of the assessed rehabilitation is achieving the expected ecological trajectory benchmarks for this stage of development.

Table 7-29 Summary of Progressive Criteria (> 5 Years, < 15 Years) for Jimblebar assessed with remote sensing
The percentage of rehabilitated area older than 5 years but less than 15, assessed against the progressive criteria across landforms and change since the previous monitoring assessment.

Site Details			Percent of Rehabilitated Area (>5 Years, < 15 Years) Meeting Progressive Criteria							
			All Criteria	Native Veg Cover	Hummock Grass: Total Native Ratio	Hummock Grass: Shrub Ratio	Shrub: Total Native Ratio	Bare Ground Cover	Total Weed Cover	Weed: Hummock Ratio
Landform	Year	Area (ha)	%	>25 – 30 %	>0.20 – 0.30	>0.50	>0.50	<50 %	<10 %	<1
Crest	2026	50.03	15.1	93.0	69.0	33.0	16.6	29.0	100	100
	2024	38.75	3.0	100	60.0	13.5	13.5	3.0	100	100
Flat	2026	37.37	18.4	95.7	86.5	82.4	65.7	27.5	100	100
	2024	32.59	58.0	97.4	84.5	80.7	64.0	68.4	98.1	92.8
Slope	2026	86.26	30.1	60.2	62.5	58.1	57.5	30.1	100	100
	2024	64.37	21.6	80.7	44.5	42.9	43.1	33.4	100	100

On-ground Assessment

The on-ground assessment for Jimblebar was undertaken between 5 and 7 May 2026. A total of 16 quadrats, comprising five crest, four flat and seven slope landforms, were surveyed to assess species richness. The monitored quadrats represented all rehabilitation age classes, including Young (n=3), Progressive (n=10) and Completion (n=3). Across the surveyed plots, 131 perennial species and 11 annual species were recorded. Mean perennial species richness across all monitored quadrats was 32 species per plot. Completion-aged and Young-aged rehabilitation supported the highest average perennial species richness, with a mean of 33 species per quadrat. Progressive-aged rehabilitation had a slightly lower average perennial species richness of 30 species per quadrat (Figure 7-40).

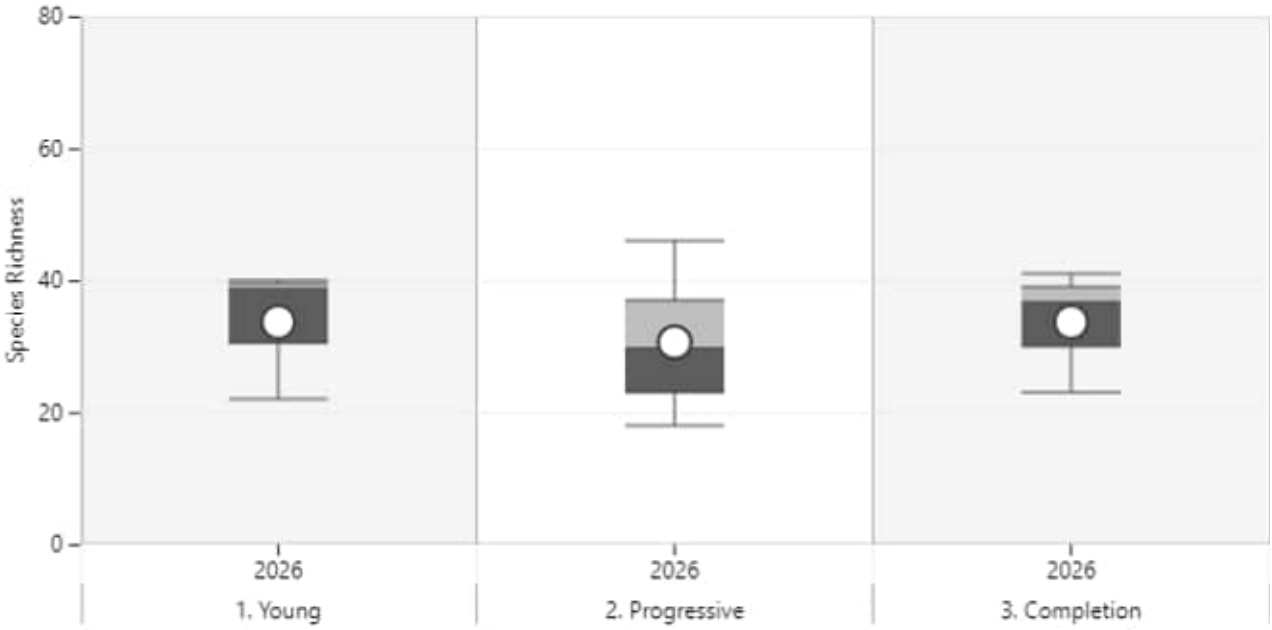


Figure 7-40 Species Richness (Perennials) across Age Groups
Boxplots display the range, quartiles, median (solid), and mean ('o') of total perennial species richness recorded at each age group.

Figure 7-41 illustrates the distinct perennial species richness recorded at each permanent monitoring plot surveyed in FY2026, while Table 7-30 presents the corresponding plot corner photographs, providing a visual representation of vegetation condition across the monitored rehabilitation areas at the time of survey.

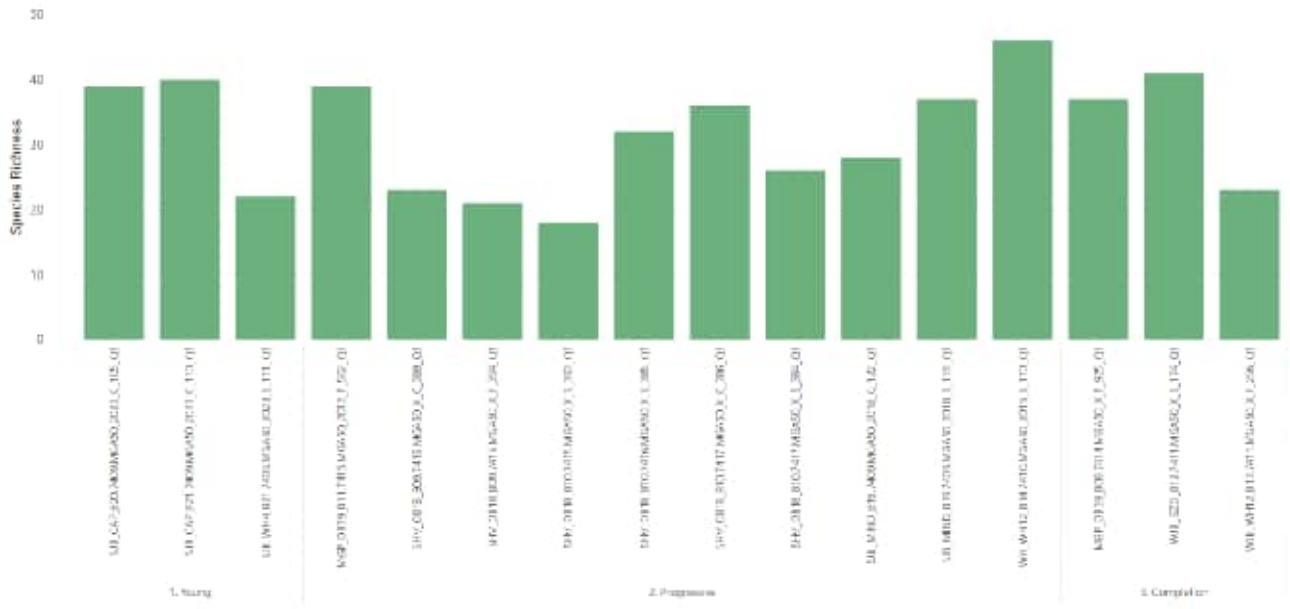


Figure 7-41 Species Richness (Perennials) across permanent plots
The column graph displays total perennial species richness recorded at each permanent plot.

Table 7-30 Jimblebar permanent plot corner photos from FY2026 on-ground monitoring

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
JIMBLEBAR	SJB_CAP_820_7409_MGA50_2023_C_105_Q1	2026	3		
JIMBLEBAR	SJB_CAP_821_7409_MGA50_2023_C_110_Q1	2026	3		
JIMBLEBAR	SJB_WH4_821_7409_MGA50_2023_S_111_Q1	2026	3		
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_809_7415_MGA50_X_F_394_Q1	2026	6		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_809_7415_MGA50_X_C_389_Q1	2026	6		
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_810_7415_MGA50_X_S_393_Q1	2026	6		
JIMBLEBAR	SJB_MIND_819_7409_MGA50_2018_S_118_Q1	2026	8		
JIMBLEBAR	SJB_MIND_818_7409_MGA50_2018_C_122_Q1	2026	8		
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_810_7416_MGA50_X_S_385_Q1	2026	9		
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_810_7417_MGA50_X_S_384_Q1	2026	9		
JIMBLEBAR	SHV_OB18_810_7417_MGA50_X_C_386_Q1	2026	9		

Site	Plot ID	Surveyed (Year)	Age (Year)	Photo – Corner 1 (Facing Corner 3)	Photo – Corner 4 (Facing Corner 2)
JIMBLEBAR	WH_WH12_814_7410_MGA50_2015_S_110_Q1	2026	11		
JIMBLEBAR	MGP_OB39_811_7415_MGA50_2012_F_562_Q1	2026	14		
JIMBLEBAR	WJB_WH12_813_7411_MGA50_X_F_296_Q1	2026	17		
JIMBLEBAR	MGP_OB39_808_7414_MGA50_X_F_925_Q1	2026	17		
JIMBLEBAR	WJB_GZO_812_7411_MGA50_X_S_174_Q1	2026	17		

A total of four weed species, *Cenchrus ciliaris, Cenchrus setiger, Malvastrum americanum* and *Vachellia farnesiana*, were recorded within the monitored plots. None of the recorded weed species are currently listed as declared pests under the Western Australian Organism List (WAOL). Keystone species representing all major lifeforms, including grasses, shrubs and trees, were recorded across the Jimblebar rehabilitation plots (Table 7-31). A total of 91.6 per cent of recorded species were also present within the hub baseline dataset, indicating strong alignment with the characteristic species assemblages of surrounding reference ecosystems. Evidence of flowering and seed production across grass, shrub and tree lifeforms demonstrates that key ecological processes are occurring and supporting ecosystem development. Collectively, these results indicate that rehabilitation is progressing along a positive ecological trajectory towards a mature, self-sustaining, resilient and ecologically functional vegetation community.

Table 7-31 Keystone Species Present within Jimblebar Plots

Lifeform	Keystone Species
Keystone Grasses	*Triodia basedowii*
	Triodia schinzii
	Triodia vanleeuwenii
	Triodia wiseana
Keystone Shrubs	*Acacia ancistrocarpa*
	Acacia atkinsiana
	Acacia bivenosa
	Acacia hilliana
	Hakea chordophylla
	Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa
	Solanum lasiophyllum
Keystone Trees	*Acacia aneura*
	Corymbia hamersleyana
	Eucalyptus gamophylla
	Eucalyptus leucophloia subsp. leucophloia

7.5 Adaptive Management

WAIO applies an adaptive management approach to rehabilitation, whereby monitoring outcomes are used to inform ongoing improvement of rehabilitation design, implementation and closure planning. While the FY2026 monitoring results indicate that only a limited proportion of rehabilitated areas currently meet all ecological completion criteria or progressive trajectory targets, performance against individual criteria demonstrates that many rehabilitation areas are progressing towards the desired post-mining ecosystem state. Common limitations identified across sites include insufficient tree establishment, lower than target hummock grass cover, elevated bare ground cover, and, in some areas, weed abundance.

Monitoring results should be interpreted within the context of rehabilitation age and seasonal conditions. The majority of assessed rehabilitation areas are within the Progressive age class (5–15 years), where vegetation communities are still undergoing ecological succession and are expected to exhibit substantial temporal variability. In addition, FY2026 monitoring was undertaken following generally dry to very dry seasonal conditions across inland Pilbara monitoring locations, which are likely to have influenced vegetation cover, recruitment and species persistence.

To address identified performance gaps and improve rehabilitation outcomes, WAIO continues to implement a range of adaptive management measures, including:

- Refinement of rehabilitation landform design and surface preparation practices to improve water retention, reduce erosion risk and enhance vegetation establishment.
- Ongoing review of seed mixes, dormancy treatment and species selection to increase representation of key functional and keystone species, particularly long-lived shrubs, trees and hummock grasses.
- Targeted supplementary seeding and revegetation of underperforming rehabilitation areas where monitoring identifies establishment deficiencies.
- Continued weed monitoring and control programs to minimise competition with native vegetation and maintain progress towards closure objectives.
- Integration of rehabilitation monitoring outcomes into operational rehabilitation planning to ensure lessons learned are incorporated into future rehabilitation works.
- Ongoing research and development programs focused on improving rehabilitation performance, including seed technology and vegetation establishment techniques.
- Continual improvement and refinement of the ecological completion criteria framework through the incorporation of monitoring outcomes, research findings and operational learnings, ensuring the framework remains robust, relevant and practical to apply in real-world rehabilitation and closure settings.