Application for Works Approval Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval

Number

W6769/2023/1

Works Approval

Holder

Onslow Iron Pty Ltd

ACN 649 012 395

File Number DER2022/000623

Premises West Pilbara Iron Ore Project

M08/480, M08/484, G08/88, L08/67, L08/68, L08/69 and

L08/181

CANE WA 6710

As defined by the premises maps attached to the issued

works approval

Date of Report 08 May 2024

Decision Revised works approval granted

MANAGER, RESOURCE INDUSTRIES REGULATORY SERVICES

Officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6769/2023/1. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the existing works approval will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the works approval, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents.

2.2 Amendment summary

Works Approval W6769/2023/1 is held by Onslow Iron Pty Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the West Pilbara Iron Ore Project (the Premises), located at Cane WA 2710 over the Red Hill Pastoral station and mining tenements: M08/480-1, M08/484-1, G08/88, L08/67, L08/68, L08/69, L08/79, and L08/181.

The Premises relates to the categories 5, 12, 52, 54, 57, 64, 73, and 77 and the assessed design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations* 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in W6769/2023/1

On 26 February 2024, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Works Approval W6769/2023/1 under section 59B of the EP Act. The amendment is limited only to extending the time limited operations for the Accommodation Resort wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and irrigation spray field (Category 54 - Item 5, Table 1 of W6769/2023/1).

Time limited operations (duration of 180 calendar days) commenced on 20 October 2023 when the Environmental Compliance Report (ECR) was submitted to the department for assessment. The works approval holder was authorised to commence time limited operations for a duration of 180 days as authorised in condition 15(a). The TLO phase ends on 17 April 2024 with the applicant seeking extension of TLO until 30 June 2024.

To provide an additional buffer the department has revised the TLO period for the Accommodation Resort WWTP) and associated infrastructure until 31 July 2024.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 02 May 2024. On 06 May 2024 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised Works Approval as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments.

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Condition 15	TLO period for the Accommodation Resort WWTP and associated infrastructure (Item 5, Table 1) amended to allow operations until 31 July 2024.

References

- 1. Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2015, Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions, Perth, Western Australia.
- 2. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, Guideline: Environmental Siting, Perth, Western Australia.
- 3. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, Guideline: Risk Assessments, Perth, Western Australia.