

# Attachment A

## Additional Information Requirements

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This attachment documents both:

- Table A-1 - DCCEEW's request for additional information (RFI) that was issued by DCCEEW on 21 November 2023 which provide the terms of reference for this Preliminary Documentation (PD).

Table A-1 contains the RFI that formed the terms of reference for the PD as well as a cross-reference to where they have been addressed in the PD and supporting attachments.

**Table A-1 Cross Reference to DCCEEW Request for Additional Information**

RFI Reference	Information required	Cross-reference
<b>1.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION</b>		
1.1	The location, boundaries and size (in hectares) of the maximum disturbance footprint and of any adjoining areas which may be indirectly impacted by the proposal, including nearby vegetation. This must include mapping and coordinates.	Section 1.4; Table 1-2; Figure 1-2
1.2	A description of all components of the action, including the anticipated timing and duration (including start and completion dates) of each component of the project. In addition, any components which were included in the referral material, but are no longer part of the proposed action, must be clarified.	Section 2.0; Figure 2-1; Figure 1-1; Attachment B
1.3	A description of the operational requirements of the action including any anticipated maintenance works.	Section 2.6; Section 2.4; Attachment F
1.4	A description of the surrounding land uses.	Section 1.4; Table 1-2; Figure 1-3
1.5	An indicative layout plan for the proposed action area, including the location and type of land use, key infrastructure and the number and location of components that are proposed to be constructed as part of the action. Include mapping and coordinates for each of the above.	Section 2.2; Section 2.3; Section 2.4; Figure 2-1; Attachment B
1.6	To the extent reasonably practicable, provide any alternatives to the project design/proposed action, including a comparative description of the impacts of each alternative on the matters protected by the controlling provisions for the action.	Section 2.9; Section 2.2; Figure 2-2; Attachment C: Section 5.3.1; Appendix Q
1.7	Provide a description of any approval that has been obtained from a State or Commonwealth agency or authority, including any conditions that apply to the action. Include a statement identifying any additional approval that is required.	Section 2.8; Table 2-1; Attachment I
1.8	Include updated information if any changes have been made to the project since the referral documentation was submitted.	Section 1.5
<b>2.0 LISTED THREATENED SPECIES AND COMMUNITIES</b>		
<b>2.1 Habitat Assessments</b>		
2.1.1	Provide a habitat assessment for relevant listed threatened species and communities. Please note an assessment must be undertaken regardless of whether the species was recorded in the project area or not.	Section 3.2; Attachment C: Section 4.3; Section 2.5.1; Section 2.7; Section 2.9; Section 2.7.4.1; Section 2.7.4.2; Section 2.7.4.3; Appendix G; Appendix F; Appendix I-N
2.1.2	Identify and describe known historical records of the listed threatened species and ecological communities in the broader region. All known records must be supported by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an appropriate source (i.e. Commonwealth and State databases, published research, publicly available survey reports, etc.)</li> <li>the year of the record</li> <li>a description of the habitat in which the record was identified.</li> </ul>	Section 3.2; Attachment C: Appendix E
2.1.3	Include an assessment of the adequacy of any surveys undertaken (including survey effort and timing). In particular, the extent to which these surveys were appropriate for the listed threatened species or community and undertaken in accordance with relevant departmental survey guidelines.	Section 3.2; Attachment C: Appendix A, Section 2.6, Section 2.7.1, Table 2
2.1.4	Attach all relevant ecological surveys referenced in the referral and preliminary documentation as supporting documents to the preliminary documentation. Note: adequate surveys are to be undertaken within and adjacent to the project area (at appropriate spatial scales), including the Combabula State Forest.	Section 3.2; Attachment C
2.1.5	Provide detailed mapping of suitable habitat for all listed threatened species and communities, which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>is specific to the habitat assessment undertaken for each listed threatened species and ecological community (i.e. does not only illustrate relevant Queensland Regional Ecosystems)</li> <li>includes an overlay of the project disturbance footprint</li> <li>includes known records of individuals derived from desktop analysis and field surveys is provided separately as Attachments in JPEG format.</li> </ul>	Section 3.2; Attachment C: Section 2.5.1; Section 2.7; Appendix F; Appendix G; Appendix L-M
<b>2.2 Species Specific Information</b>		

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<b>Koala (<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i> (combined populations of Qld, NSW, and the ACT)) – endangered</b>		
2.2.1	A discussion of the vegetation composition and structure including specific tree and grass species in the project area and adjacent to the disturbance footprint.	Section 3.3.1; Section 3.2; Attachment C: Table 14; Section 4.2.3.5; Table 13
2.2.2	A discussion of site habitat use requirements (e.g., foraging, dispersal and shelter) in line with the updated Conservation Advice and National Recovery Plan for the Koala (March 2022).	Section 3.3.1; Attachment C: Appendix L; Section 4.2.3.5; Table 13
2.2.3	The total area (in hectares) of each identified habitat type including foraging, dispersal and shelter habitat.	Section 3.3.1; Attachment C: Section 4.2.3.5, Section 4.3; Table 13, Table 14; Appendix L
<b>Dulacca Woodland Snail (<i>Adclarkia dulacca</i>) – endangered</b>		
2.2.4	Surveys are to be undertaken by a suitably qualified expert in accordance with current best practice survey approaches.	Section 3.2; Section 3.3.2; Table 3-3; Attachment C: Section 2.5.2
2.2.5	Updated habitat mapping to show known and potential habitat within and adjacent to the project area; including discussion of habitat use specifications (e.g., shelter, feeding etc.).	Section 3.3.2; Section 3.2; Figure 3-1 Attachment C: Appendix M
2.2.6	A habitat assessment that includes, but is not limited to, the area (in hectares) of known and potential suitable habitat for these species and discussion of the quality, location and likely use of the habitat.	Section 3.3.2; Figure 3-1; Attachment C: Section 4.2.2; Section 4.2.3.6; Table 14, Appendix E & M
<b>South-eastern Glossy Black Cockatoo (<i>Calyptorhynchus lathami lathami</i>) – vulnerable</b>		
2.2.7	A discussion of site habitat use requirements (e.g., roosting, shelter and feeding) in line with the Conservation Advice for the South-eastern Glossy Black-Cockatoo (2022).	Section 3.3.3; Figure 3-2; Attachment C: Table 14, Appendix E
2.2.8	Detail and map the total area (in hectares) of each breeding, foraging, dispersal and roosting habitat type. Note: areas used for foraging, breeding, roosting, or dispersal are considered habitat critical to the survival of the species.	Section 3.3.3; Figure 3-2 Attachment C: Appendix I
<b>Squatter Pigeon (southern) (<i>Geophaps scripta scripta</i>) – vulnerable</b>		
2.2.9	A discussion of vegetation composition and structure on relevant land zones (e.g., specific tree and grass species).	Section 3.3.4; Attachment C: Section 4.2.3.2, Table 14
2.2.10	A discussion of breeding, foraging and dispersal habitat requirements.	Section 3.3.4; Attachment C: Section 4.2.3.2
2.2.11	Identification of permanent or seasonal water bodies or watercourses within one (1) kilometre of the disturbance footprint to support breeding habitat.	Section 3.3.4; Attachment C: Appendix J
2.2.12	Identification of permanent or seasonal water bodies or watercourses within three (3) kilometres of the disturbance footprint to support foraging habitat.	Section 3.3.4; Attachment C: Appendix J
2.2.13	The total area (in hectares) of each breeding, foraging and dispersal habitat type, including consideration of disturbed (non-remnant vegetation) areas.	Section 3.3.4; Attachment C: Appendix J
<b>Greater Glider (southern and central) (<i>Petauroides volans</i>) – endangered</b>		
2.2.14	To provide further evidence of presence/absence, and density (if present), undertake targeted surveys for the Greater Glider in accordance with relevant Commonwealth, State guidelines or best practice survey guidelines at the time of the surveys. If possible, this should include nearby potential habitat with connectivity to the project area, and it should maximise the likelihood of detection through using a combination of methods (for e.g., spotlighting and baited arboreal cameras) and spreading survey effort over time.	Section 3.3.5; Table 3-3; Attachment C: Section 2.5.2
2.2.15	State the total number of records (individuals and evidence of presence) within and/or adjacent to the project site identified during surveys.	Section 3.3.5; Table 3-5; Attachment C: Section 4.2.3.4; Image 4; Appendix E
2.2.16	An analysis of tree hollow size and density suitable for use by the Greater Glider (e.g., denning) in the identified areas of eucalypt forest and woodland containing hollow-bearing trees within and adjacent to the project site.	Section 3.3.5; Attachment C: Section 4.2.3.4 and Section 4.3

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		Note: the presence of trees with basal diameter >30 cm can be used as a proxy measure for hollow-bearing trees used by Greater Gliders in Queensland.	
2.2.17		A discussion of habitat and habitat use requirements (e.g., foraging, dispersal, shelter, etc.) in line with the updated Conservation Advice for the Greater Glider (July 2022).	Section 3.3.5; Attachment C: Appendix K
2.2.18		The total area (in hectares) of each breeding, foraging and dispersal habitat type, including consideration of disturbed (non-remnant vegetation) areas. Note: smaller or fragmented habitat patches connected to larger patches of habitat, that can facilitate dispersal of the species are considered habitat critical to the survival of the species.	Section 3.3.5; Attachment C: Table 14, Appendix K; Section 6.1.8
<b>2.3 'Habitat critical' descriptions for listed threatened species likely to be impacted by the proposed action</b>			
2.3.1	Koala (combined populations Qld, NSW and the ACT)	Habitat critical to the survival of the Koala (combined populations of Qld, NSW and the ACT) includes any forest or woodland (including remnant, regrowth, and modified vegetation communities) containing species that are Koala food trees or any shrubland with emergent Koala food trees. In addition, the Conservation advice for the Koala considers habitat critical to include paddock trees (and the safe intervening matrix for traveling between trees) and any trees that are not food trees but are commonly used by the species for shelter or predator avoidance. Areas of climate refugia such as drainage lines, riparian zones and patches that are resilient to drying conditions are also considered to be critical habitat. Note: habitat critical to the survival of the species includes habitat occupied and habitat currently unoccupied. For the full definition refer to: Conservation Advice for <i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i> (Koala) combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory (2022) National Recovery Plan for the Koala <i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i> (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory) (2022).	Table 3-1 Reference information only
2.3.2	Dulacca Woodland Snail	No definition provided within Commonwealth however refer to the Conservation Advice Adclarkia woodland snail (2016) and Matters of National Environmental Significance - Significant impact guidelines 1.1 Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999-1 - MNES (DotE, 2013a) for habitat critical to the survival of the species.	Table 3-1 Reference information only
2.3.3	South-eastern Glossy Black Cockatoo	Breeding habitat: can include (but is not limited to) hollow-bearing narrow-leaved ironbark ( <i>Eucalyptus crebra</i> ), blue-leaved ironbark ( <i>E.nublia</i> ), Blakely's red gum ( <i>E. blakelyi</i> ) and river red gum ( <i>E.Camaldulensis</i> ). Trees may be living or dead. Potential nest hollows for the subspecies have the following traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 m above ground</li> <li>• Located in branches &gt;30 cm in diameter</li> <li>• Branch or stem no more than 45o from vertical</li> <li>• Minimum entrance diameter of &gt;15 cm.</li> </ul> Areas that are not currently occupied by the subspecies because they have been recently burnt but are capable of supporting cockatoo populations in the future, should also be considered as habitat critical for the survival of the South-eastern Glossy Black Cockatoo. <u>Foraging habitat:</u> includes species of sheoak such as black sheoak ( <i>A. littoralis</i> ), forest sheoak ( <i>A. torulosa</i> ), stringybark sheoak ( <i>A. inophloia</i> ); G Castley, D Guthrie & Roselli), coastal sheoak ( <i>C. equisetifolia</i> ), river sheoak ( <i>C. cunninghamiana</i> ) and swamp sheoak ( <i>C. glauca</i> ). For the full definition refer to: Conservation Advice for <i>Calyptorhynchus lathami lathami</i> (South-eastern Glossy Black Cockatoo) (2022)	Table 3-1 Reference information only
2.3.4	Squatter Pigeon (southern)	<u>Breeding habitat:</u> Any remnant or regrowth open-forest to sparse, open-woodland or scrub dominated by <i>Eucalyptus</i> , <i>Corymbia</i> , <i>Acacia</i> or <i>Callitris</i> species, on sandy or gravelly soils (including but not limited to areas mapped as Queensland land zones 3, 5 or 7) and within 1 kilometre of a suitable, permanent or seasonal waterbody. <u>Foraging habitat:</u> Any remnant or regrowth open-forest to sparse, open-woodland or scrub dominated by <i>Eucalyptus</i> , <i>Corymbia</i> , <i>Acacia</i> or <i>Callitris</i> species, on sandy or gravelly soils (including but not limited to areas mapped as Queensland land zones 3, 5 or 7) and within 3 kilometres of a suitable, permanent or seasonal waterbody. <u>Dispersal habitat:</u> Any forest or woodland occurring between patches of foraging or breeding habitat that facilitates movement between patches of foraging habitat, breeding habitat and/or waterbodies, and areas of cleared land <100 metres wide linking areas of suitable breeding and/or foraging habitat.	Table 3-1 Reference information only
2.3.5	Greater Glider (southern and central)	Habitat critical to survival for the greater glider (southern and central) relevant to this project includes but is not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• large contiguous areas of eucalypt forest, which contain mature hollow-bearing trees and a diverse range of the species' preferred food species in a particular region</li> <li>• smaller or fragmented habitat patches connected to larger patches of habitat, that can facilitate dispersal of the species and/or that enable recolonization.</li> </ul> Note: the presence of trees with basal diameter >30 cm can be used as a proxy measure for hollow-bearing trees used by Greater Gliders in Queensland. Forest areas currently unoccupied by the greater glider (southern and central) may still represent habitat critical to survival if the recruitment of hollow-bearing trees as the forest ages could allow the species to colonise these areas and ensure persistence of a subpopulation. For the full definition refer to: Conservation Advice for <i>Petauroides volans</i> (greater glider (southern and central)) (2022).	Table 3-1 Reference information only
<b>3. IMPACT ASSESSMENT</b>			
<b>3.1 Listed threatened species</b>			

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3.1.1	An assessment, with consideration of the relevant statutory documents (e.g., conservation advice, recovery plans, threat abatement plans etc.) of the likely impacts on MNES associated with the vegetation clearance, operational, maintenance and (if relevant) decommissioning components of the project.	Section 4.0; Section 1.8; Table 4-1; Section 6.0; Attachment C: Section 5.0, Section 5.4.1.1; Section 5.4.1.2, Section 5.4.2.1, Section 5.4.2.2, Section 5.4.2.3; Section 6.1; Section 6.1.3, Section 6.1.4, Section 6.1.5, Section 6.1.6, Section 6.1.7, Section 6.1.8; Section 6.1.9; Appendix Q; Appendix R
3.1.2	Include the direct and indirect loss and/or disturbance of MNES individuals and habitat as a result of the proposed action. This must include the quality of the habitat impacted and quantification of the individuals and habitat area (in hectares) to be impacted.	Section 4.0; Section 2.3, Section 1.1; Section 3.2; Section Figure 2-1; Table 4-2; Attachment C: Section 4.1.2, Section 4.2.3, Section 4.3, Section 5.2, Section 5.3; Section 3.2; 4.3
3.1.3	An assessment of the impacts of habitat fragmentation in the proposed action area and surrounding areas, including consideration of species' movement patterns and utilisation of the site. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Section 4.0; Table 4-3; Attachment C: Appendix R; Attachment D: Section 5; Section 6; Section 7
3.1.4	An assessment of the risk of weeds, pests and pathogens being introduced into the project area, and the potential impact on existing habitat.	Section 4.0; Table 4-4; Table 4-5; Section 5.0; Attachment C: Section 5.3.2.3, Section 5.3.2.22, Section 4.1.5, Appendix E-H; Appendix R
3.1.5	An assessment of the risk of mortality by object or machine strike, during the construction and operation of the project.	Section 4.0; Table 4-6; Table 6-1; Attachment C: Section 5.2.1, Section 5.3, Section 5.4.1.2, Section 4.2.3.5, 5.3.2.10; Attachment H: Table 3
3.1.6	An assessment of the likely duration of impacts to MNES as a result of the proposed action.	Section 4.0; Section 6.0; Table 6-1; Attachment E; Attachment F
3.1.7	A discussion of whether the impacts are likely to be repeated, for example as part of maintenance.	Section 4.0;
3.1.8	A discussion of whether any impacts are likely to be unknown, unpredictable or irreversible.	Section 4.0; Section 2.2; Section 5.0; Attachment E: Section 7; Attachment F; Attachment C: Section 5.3
3.1.9	Justification, with supporting evidence, how the proposed action will not be inconsistent with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Australia's obligations under the Biodiversity Convention, the Convention on Conservation of Nature in the South Pacific (Apia Convention), and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)</li> <li>a recovery plan or threat abatement plan.</li> </ul>	Section 4.0; Section 8.0; Section 1.8
<b>4. AVOIDANCE, MITIGATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES</b>		
4.1	Include any relevant plans relied upon for the mitigation or management of impacts on MNES (in approved or draft format) as appendices to the preliminary documentation.	Section 5.0; Attachments D-F
4.2	A detailed summary of measures proposed to be undertaken by the proponent to avoid, mitigate and manage relevant impacts of the proposed action on relevant protected matters (including any measures required through other Commonwealth, State and/or local government approvals). Proposed measures must be based on best available practices, appropriate standards, evidence of success for other similar actions and supported by published scientific evidence. All commitments must be drafted using committal language (e.g. 'will' and 'must') when describing the proposed measures. All proposed measures must also be drafted to meet the 'S.M.A.R.T' principle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S – Specific (what and how)</li> <li>M – Measurable (baseline information, number/value, auditable)</li> <li>A – Achievable (timeframe, money, personnel)</li> <li>R – Relevant (conservation advices, recovery plans, threat abatement plans)</li> <li>T – Time-bound (specific timeframe to complete).</li> </ul>	Section 5.0; Figure 1-1; Figure 2-1; Section 2.2; Figure 2-2; Section 1.8; Table 5-1; Attachment C: Section 5.3; Section 8; Attachment D: Section 7; Section 11; Attachment E: Section 7; Section 1:3; Attachment F: Section 10; Attachment G: Section 1.1; Attachment H: Section 1; Attachment I
4.3	Details of specific and measurable environmental outcomes to be achieved for relevant MNES, including an assessment of the expected or predicted effectiveness of the proposed measures. All commitments must be drafted using committal language (e.g. 'will' and 'must') when describing the proposed measures.	Section 5.0; Table 5-2; Attachment D: Section 7, Section 8

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4.4	Details of the proposed measures to be undertaken to avoid, mitigate and manage the relevant impacts of the proposed action, including those required through other Commonwealth, State and local government approvals.	Section 5.0; Section 2.2; Section 2.9; Figure 2-2 Attachment C: Section 5.3
4.5	Information on the timing, frequency and duration of the proposed avoidance, mitigation, management and monitoring measures, and corrective actions to be implemented.	Section 5.0 Section 6.0; Attachment D & E
4.6	An assessment of the expected or predicted effectiveness of the proposed measures.	Section 5.0; Section 1.1
4.7	Any statutory or policy basis for the proposed measures, including reference to the SPRAT Database and relevant approved conservation advice, recovery plan or threat abatement plan, and a discussion on how the proposed measures are consistent with relevant plans.	Section 5.0; Section 1.8; Section 3.2; Attachment C: Section 8; Attachment D: Section 11
4.8	Details of ongoing management, including monitoring programs to support an adaptive management approach, that validate the effectiveness of proposed measures and overall demonstrate that environmental outcomes will be achieved.	Section 5.0; Section 4.0; Attachment E; Attachment D: Section 7; Section 8; Attachment C: Section 5.3.2.13
4.9	Details of tangible, on-ground corrective actions that will be implemented in the event that monitoring programs indicate that the environmental outcomes have not or will not be achieved.	Section 5.0; Attachment E: Section 10.3
4.10	Details of any measures proposed to be undertaken by Queensland and local governments, including the name of the agency responsible for approving each measure.	Section 5.0; Section 2.7; Attachment I
<b>5.0</b>	<b>REHABILITATION REQUIREMENTS</b>	
5.1	Details of tangible, on-ground corrective actions that will be implemented, including timing, in the event that monitoring programs indicate that the completion criteria have not been, or will not be, achieved.	Section 6.1; Section 6.3; Table 6-1; Attachment F: Section 7, Section 8; Table 5; Table 6 Attachment C: Section 5.3.2
5.2	The details of any rehabilitation activities proposed to be undertaken, as required by Commonwealth, State or Territory, and local government approvals. Attach relevant Commonwealth, State or Territory, and local government approvals and permits as supporting documents to the preliminary documentation.	Section 6.1; Table 6-3; Attachment F: Section 4.2; Attachment D; Section 7.2; Section 7.3; Table 7.1, Section; Section 10; Attachment C: Section 5.3.2.22
5.3	Rehabilitation acceptance criteria, including for the restoration of habitat for relevant listed threatened species, communities and migratory species.	Section 6.1; Section 6.2; Attachment F: Section 4.1.1; Section 6; Table 5; Table 6 Attachment C: Section 5.3.2.22
5.4	A summary of the procedures, including contingency measures, that will be undertaken to achieve the rehabilitation acceptance criteria.	Section 6.2; Table 6-1; Attachment F
5.5	Provide detailed mapping of the project site that clearly identifies areas to be rehabilitated.	Section 6.2; Figure 1-1; Figure 2-1; Attachment B
5.6	The proposed final landform and its relation to the pre-disturbance vegetation community. Include an assessment of the expected or predicted effectiveness of the proposed rehabilitation activities.	Section 6.2; Section 6.3; Table 6-1, Table 6-4; Attachment F: Section 4.2.3.4; Section 6.1; Table 4; Table 5
5.7	A summary of a monitoring program to measure the success of rehabilitation activities implemented by the proponent.	Section 6.3; Table 6-4; Attachment F: Section 7; Attachment I Attachment C: Section 5.3.2.23
<b>6.0</b>	<b>OFFSETS</b>	
6.1	An assessment of the likelihood of residual significant impacts occurring on relevant MNES, after avoidance, mitigation and management measures have been applied.	Section 7.0; Section 3.2; Table 7-1; Section 4.0; Table 4-1; Section 5.0; Section 6.0; Attachment I; Table 1; Appendix B;



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		Attachment C: Section 4.3; Section 5.4; Section 6.1
6.2	A summary of the proposed environmental offset and key commitments that demonstrate (with supporting evidence) how the offset/s meet the requirements of the Environmental Offsets Policy (2012)	Section 7.0; Table 7-1; Attachment I: Section 5.5; Section 5.6
6.3	If an offset area/s have not been nominated, but are proposed, include a draft OP as an appendix to the PD. The draft OP must meet the information requirements set out in Appendix B.1.	Section 7.0; Attachment I: Table 1
6.4	Where offset area/s have been nominated, include a draft OMP as an appendix to the PD. The draft OMP must meet the information requirements set out in Appendix B.2, and must be prepared by a suitably qualified ecologist and in accordance with the department's Environmental Management Plan Guidelines (2014), available at: <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/publications/environmental-management-plan-guidelines">www.environment.gov.au/epbc/publications/environmental-management-plan-guidelines</a> .	Section 7.0; Attachment I: Section 6.4
<b>7.0</b>	<b>ECOLOGICALLY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (ESD)</b>	
7.1	A description of how the proposed action meets the principles of ESD, as defined in section 3A of the EPBC Act. The following principles are principles of ecologically sustainable development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• decision making processes should effectively integrate both long term and short term economic, environmental, social and equitable considerations</li> <li>• if there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing measures to prevent environmental degradation</li> <li>• the principle of inter-generational equity—that the present generation should ensure that the health, diversity and productivity of the environment is maintained or enhanced for the benefit of future generations</li> <li>• the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity should be a fundamental consideration in decision making</li> <li>• improved valuation, pricing and incentive mechanisms should be promoted.</li> </ul> More information on ESD is available at <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/esd/publications/national-esd-strategy">www.environment.gov.au/about-us/esd/publications/national-esd-strategy</a> .	Section 8.0
<b>8.0</b>	<b>ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL MATTERS</b>	
8.1	An analysis of the economic and social impacts of the action, both positive and negative.	Section 9.1; Figure 9-1
8.2	Details of any public consultation activities undertaken and their outcomes.	Section 9.2
8.3	Details of any consultation with Indigenous stakeholders.  <b>Engaging First Nations peoples and communities</b> Identify existing or potential native title rights and interests, including any areas and objects that are of particular significance to First Nations peoples and communities, that could be impacted by the proposed action and the potential for managing those impacts. Describe any First Nations consultation that has been undertaken, or will be undertaken, in relation to the proposed action and their outcomes. The department considers that best practice consultation, in accordance with <a href="https://www.dcceew.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/interim-engaging-with-first-nations-people-and-communities-assessments-and-approvals-under-epbc-act.pdf">https://www.dcceew.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/interim-engaging-with-first-nations-people-and-communities-assessments-and-approvals-under-epbc-act.pdf</a> includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ensuring cultural safety by protecting the cultural identity, wants and needs of First Nations peoples and communities</li> <li>• building and maintaining trust by investing in ongoing relationships and partnerships and demonstrating cultural awareness and competence</li> <li>• engaging early and often, ideally directly with the relevant First Nations peoples, communities, groups and organisations who may be affected by the proposed project</li> <li>• negotiating suitable timeframes in consideration of cultural obligations of First Nations peoples and communities</li> <li>• negotiating suitable submission formats that reflect the communication needs and preferences of First Nations peoples and communities.</li> </ul> Describe any state requirements for approval or conditions that apply, or that the proponent reasonably believes are likely to apply, to the proposed action with regards to Indigenous peoples and communities.	Section 9.3
8.4	Projected economic costs and benefits of the project, including the basis for their estimate through cost/benefit analysis or similar studies.	Section 9.3.1
8.5	Employment opportunities expected to be generated by the project (including construction and operational phases).	Section 9.3.2; 9.3.1; Section 2.3

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9.0	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RECORD OF THE PERSON PROPOSING TO TAKE THE ACTION</b>	
9.1	Include details of any past or present proceedings under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law for the protection of the environment or the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources against: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the person proposing to take the action</li><li>for an action for which a person has applied for a permit, the person making the application</li><li>if the person is a body corporate—the history of its executive officers in relation to environmental matters if the person is a body corporate that is a subsidiary of another body or company (the parent body)—the history in relation to environmental matters of the parent body and its executive officers.</li></ul>	Section 10.0