

Results of Environmental Review

- (1) Reference Number
12-069
- (2) Project Name
Iron ore development
- (3) Project Site
Western Australia, Australia
- (4) Project Outline
Mining of iron ore, construction of railway and port
- (5) Category
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- (6) Reason of Categorization
The project falls into the large-scale mining, railway and port sector and is located in sensitive areas under the Environmental Guidelines.
- (7) Environmental Permission / Approval by the Environmental Authority
Environmental Referral Documents for iron ore mining, railway and port were made under the relevant environmental regulations. They were approved by the state government of Western Australia and/or the federal government until February 2012.
- (8) Pollution Prevention
Appropriate measures are being taken regarding air quality, water quality and soil to meet domestic and international standards. Other pollution prevention measures are being taken in an appropriate manner.
- (9) Natural Environmental Considerations
Fortescue Marsh is located approximately 10km to the mining site. The marsh is listed as an indicative place for periodic breeding by water birds. However, it is not protected by the Ramsar Convention. A Fortescue Marsh Management Plan has been developed by the Environment Protection Authority of Western Australia

to protect the marsh from activities associated with mining.

(10) Social Considerations

No involuntary relocation is required. Some of areas for mining, railway and port are subject to native title claims by aboriginal groups. The project proponent and native peoples signed agreement on land use. Cultural heritages and ceremonial sites were detoured by design changes or protected by a fence.

(11) Applied International Standards

IFC Performance Standards

(12) Monitoring

The project proponent will conduct monitoring of air quality, water quality, noise, soil and ecological system in accordance with the local regulations. The monitoring results will be reported to the environmental authorities.

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