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1. Introduction

1.1 Project background and study area location

Rio Tinto Iron Ore (Rio Tinto) proposes to bury powerlines at the road and rail crossings surrounding Paraburdoo Town (Study Area 1 (1.59 ha)), as well as replace the towns water-supply bore (Study Area 2 (0.38 ha)) to ensure an ongoing and reliable water supply. From here on, the term 'the study area' refers to both Study Area 1 & Study Area 2.

The study area comprises multiple small polygons totalling 1.97 ha of mostly developed land (road) and previously disturbed/cleared land, located within close proximity to the township of Paraburdoo, Western Australia (Figure 1-1). Up to 1.05 hectares of native vegetation clearing is required to support the proposed activities at this location.

The purpose of the current report is as follows:

- 1. To meet the following conditions of CPS 6110/6 for Study Area 1 & 2:
 - 8(a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder
 must engage a botanist to undertake a targeted flora survey of the area(s) to be cleared in
 accordance with Technical Guidance Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental
 Impact Assessment to identify possible occurrences of, and habitat suitable for,
 threatened flora listed under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and priority flora.
 - 9(a) Undertake a desktop study of the areas to be cleared to identify areas of habitat on which fauna listed in the Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2018, have a specific dependence.
- 2. To perform a 10 Clearing Principles assessment on Study Area 2 to amend the boundary of CPS 6110/6 to include Study Area 2.

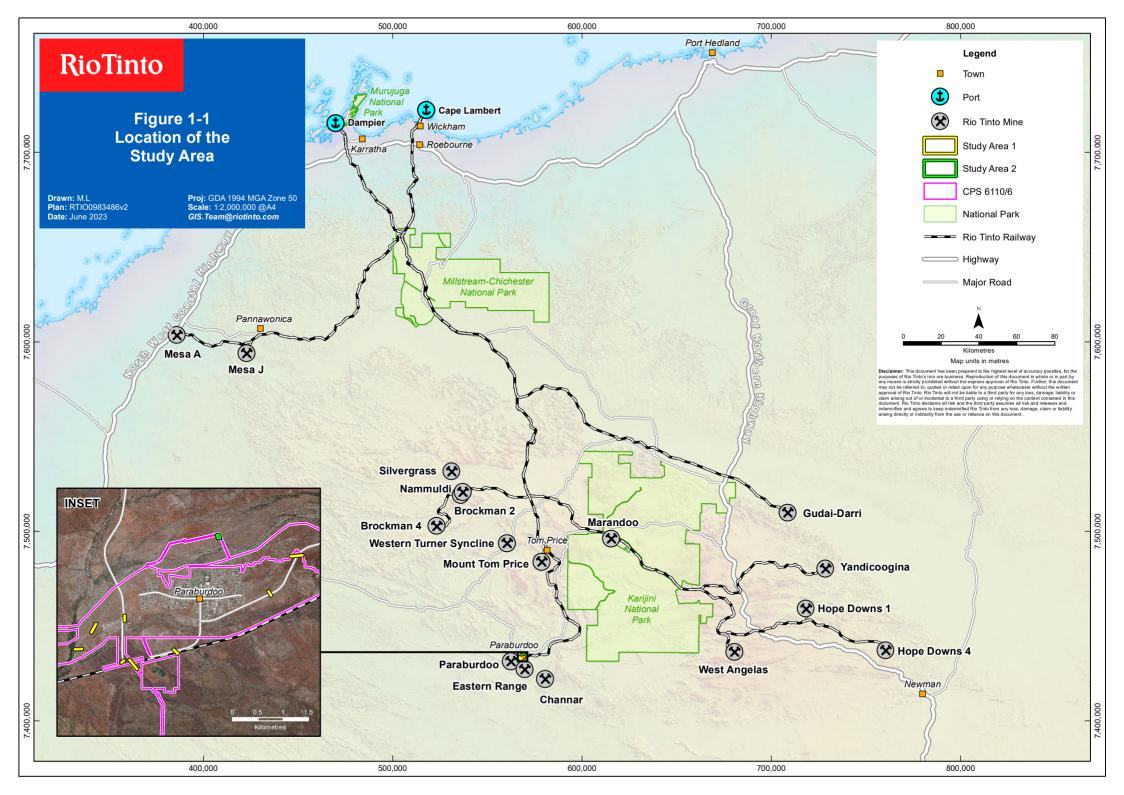
The Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2018 has been transitioned under regulations 170, 171 and 172 of the Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2018 to be the lists of Threatened, Extinct and Specially Protected species under Part 2 of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act). For the purpose of having the most up to date information (i.e., accounting for any changes to species listings), this report concerns fauna listed under the BC Act in operation at the time of preparation of this report.

1.2 Scope of survey

This report is intended as a supporting document to amend CPS 6110/6 to include an additional area (Study Area 2-0.38 ha) to enable clearing of native vegetation, as required under Section 51A of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) and has been prepared on the basis of a review of existing information for the study area, and a targeted flora, vegetation and fauna habitat survey of the study area. This report includes a description of the:

• Local environment of the study area including flora, vegetation, geology, landforms, and hydrology;

- Methods employed during the desktop assessment and field survey;
- · Locations and populations of conservation listed flora;
- Vegetation associations occurring in the study area, an assessment on their condition and conservation significance for the locality and sub-region;
- Fauna habitats present, assessment of their significance for the locality and sub-region, including mapping, and likelihood assessment of conservation listed fauna (BC Act); and
- Potential impacts of the proposal on the local environment through assessment of the ten clearing principles, as outlined in Schedule 5 of the *Environment Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).



1.3 Constraints and Limitations

Limitations of the current survey of the study area are summarised in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1: Constraints and limitations of the current study

Constraint	Limitation
Sources of information	Parts of the study area had been previously surveyed and relevant reports were available for literature review as part of the desktop assessment. RTIO internal data and external publicly available data were used to complete the remainder of the desktop assessment. Sources of information are not considered a limitation to this study.
Scope of works	The requirements of a fauna desktop assessment and targeted flora and vegetation survey for a clearing permit application were met. Flora, vegetation, and fauna habitat information was assessed and summarised from previous survey reports, available data and a field survey conducted on the 30 th March 2023.
Completeness of survey	The study area has been comprehensively surveyed to provide an adequate level of information for this assessment.
Intensity of survey	A targeted flora, vegetation and fauna habitat survey was completed over the entirety of the study area. Due to the relatively small sizes of the surveyed polygons comprising the study area, an additional 50 m buffer was placed on the study area and included in the targeted searches to ensure adequate coverage.
Timing, weather, season, cycle	The survey was conducted between the 29- 30 th March, which is within recommended survey timing for the Eremaean Botanical Province as per EPA Technical Guidelines (2016). Rainfall preceding the survey was well above average. Therefore, timing, weather etc. is not seen as a limitation for this report.
Disturbances	A majority of the study area (83.52%) has been disturbed by historical clearing for tracks and infrastructure. At the time of survey there was no evidence of fire within the study area.
Resources	The biologists undertaking the desktop assessment and reviews were suitably qualified (> 20 years' combined experience conducting environmental surveys within Australia) and a sponsored taxonomist (Steve Dillon) was used to verify flora records following the survey. Resources were not considered to be a limitation in this study.
Accessibility / remoteness	The survey area was completely accessible via road and on foot. Accessibility/remoteness is not considered to be a limitation.

2. Methodology

2.1 Desktop assessment

A desktop assessment was undertaken to identify environmental information relevant to the study area. This desktop assessment included a review of:

- Overall site characteristics including:
 - o A review of rainfall data from the closest reliable weather station (BoM 2023);
 - A review of major geological units based on 1:250,000 scale map sheet series (Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety 2022);
 - Surface hydrology and groundwater;
 - o Land systems mapping adapted by van Vreeswyk et al. (2004);
 - Bioregional assessments (including IBRA bioregion, Beard's regional vegetation mapping, pre-European vegetation mapping); and
 - o Conservation areas and environmentally sensitive areas.
- Relevant reports previously prepared for Rio Tinto as outlined as Section 2.1.1
- Databases maintained by state and federal government and Rio Tinto as described at Section 2.1.2

2.1.1 Literature review

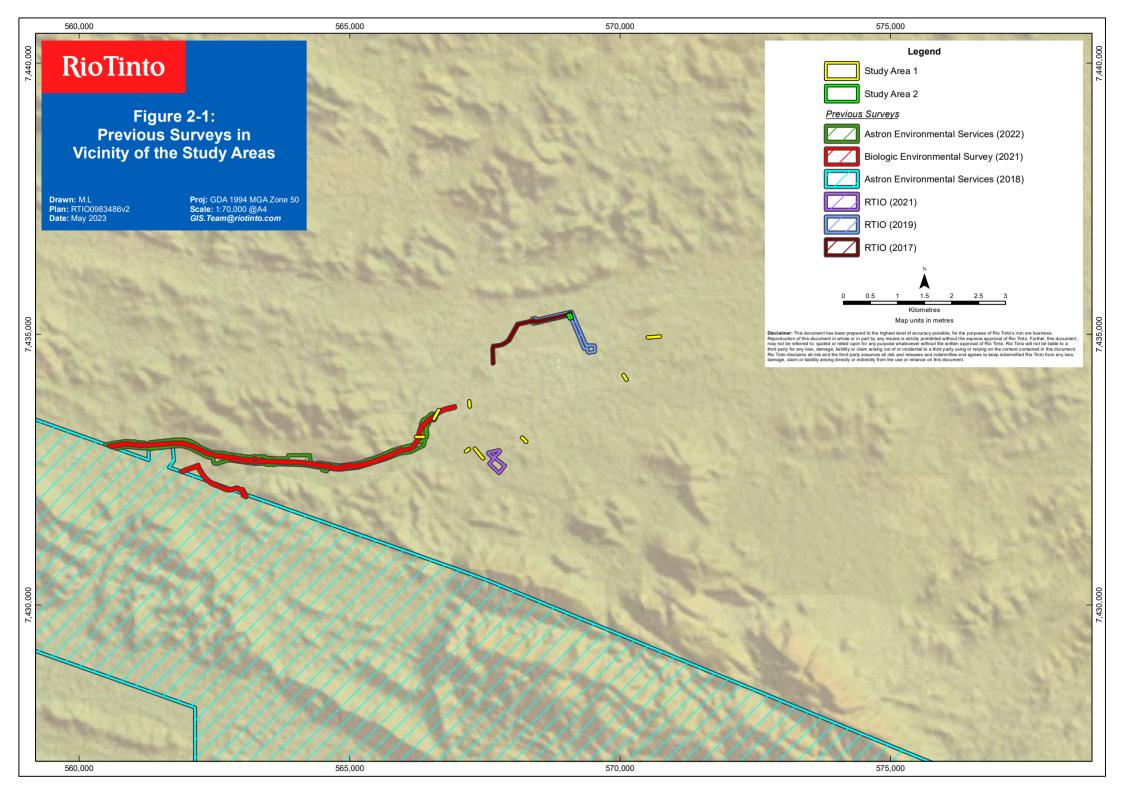
A literature review of the study area was conducted and found six flora and fauna related reports either intersecting or within a 2 km buffer of the study area (Figure 2-1).

These reports have been consulted as part of the literature review to determine conservation significant species that may occur within the study area, as well as flora, vegetation units, ecological communities and fauna habitats. A summary of the findings of each report utilised in the desktop review is presented in Table 2-1. The previous surveys in relation to the current survey area are shown in Figure 2-1.

Table 2-1: Summary of previous flora, vegetation and fauna reports utilised for the desktop assessment

Report and level of survey	Size (ha)	Number of taxa	Conservation listed flora / fauna recorded	Habitats identified	Weeds	Vegetation / Fauna Habitat of significance
RTIO (2017) Flora Vegetation and Fauna Habitat Assessment Paraburdoo Additional Water Pipeline – Native Vegetation Clearing Permit – Supporting Document RTIO-HSE-0317979 (NVCP-level survey)	3	NA	None.	CreeksStony Plain	*Cenchrus ciliaris *Aerva javanica	None.
Astron Environmental Services (2018) Greater Paraburdoo Level 2 Fauna Survey RTIO-HSE-0328335 (Multi-phase detailed fauna survey)	11,203.4	154	Northern Quoll (Dasyurus hallucatus) (EN) Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat (Rhinonicteris aurantia) (VU) Ghost Bat (Macroderma gigas) (VU) Grey Falcon (Falco hypoleucos) (VU) Common Sandpiper (Actitis hypoleucos) (MI)	 Riverine Drainage Line Gorge Breakaway Rocky Hill Low Hill Stony Plain 	NA	Gorge, Riverine and Breakaway habitats may support MNES species. The survey area does not intersect with the study area.
RTIO (2019) Metadata Statement – Paraburdoo PTP2 Bore to Town Water Main Upgrade RTIO-HSE-0331992 (Targeted flora survey)	10.58	NA	None.	NA	*Cenchrus sp.	None.

Biologic Environmental Sciences (2021) Paraburdoo Targeted Flora and Fauna Survey RTIO-HSE-0351187 (Targeted flora and fauna survey)	26.8	40	 Peregrine Falcon (Falcon peregrinus) (OS) Western Pebble-mound Mouse (Pseudomys chapmani) (P4) 	Hillcrest/Hillslope	*Aerva javanica, *Argemone ochroleuca, *Cenchrus ciliaris, *Cenchrus setiger, *Chloris barbata, *Citrullus amarus, *Cynodon dactylon, *Datura leichhardtii subsp. leichhardtii, *Echinochloa colona, *Flaveria trinervia, *Malvastrum americanum, *Passiflora foetida, *Rumex vesicarius, *Sisymbrium orientale, *Sonchus oleraceus, *Tribulus terrestris, *Vachellia farnesiana.	No core MNES habitat present within the survey area, however foraging habitat (including permanent pools) present.
Rio Tinto (2021) Paraburdoo Town Wastewater Treatment Plant Spray Field RTIO-HSE-0354142 (Targeted flora and fauna survey)	5.59 f	n/a.	None	No habitat – heavily degraded	NA	No core MNES habitat present within the survey area.
Astron Environmental Sciences (2022) Western Range Construction Camp and Access Road RTIO-HSE-0955023 (Targeted flora and fauna survey)	69.89	28	• None	 Stony Plain Low Hills and Slopes Rocky Hills Riparian Major Drainage Line Minor Drainage Line 	*Cenchrus ciliaris *Aerva javanica	No core MNES habitat present within the survey area, however foraging habitat (including permanent pools) present.



2.1.2 Database searches

The Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and WA Museum's (WAM) NatureMap database was reviewed for Threatened and Priority Flora and Threatened and Priority Fauna (EPBC Act and BC Act) that have the potential to utilise the habitats present within the study area. The Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) administered EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Tool (PMST) was also reviewed for Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) listed under the EPBC Act including Threatened flora and fauna and Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) (DCCEEW 2023b).

Spatial data for conservation significant flora and fauna held and maintained by Rio Tinto was also reviewed as part of the desktop study (Rio Tinto Flora and Fauna Database). Any Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA), Reserves and/or conservation areas within or surrounding the study area were identified using relevant GIS layers held by Rio Tinto. A buffer of 20 km from the study area boundary was used for the NatureMap, Rio Tinto and Protected Matters search tool (PMST) database searches. Result outputs of NatureMap and PMST searches undertaken are presented in Appendix 1 and summarised in sections 3.9 and 3.10.

2.2 Likelihood of occurrence assessment

2.2.1 Flora

The results of the database searches were used to create a list of conservation significant flora (BC Act and priority flora) previously recorded or with potential to occur within the study area. The likelihood of conservation significant flora occurring within the study area were assessed through consideration of available habitats in the study area and each species' ecology.

The likelihood of conservation significant flora species occurring within study areas were determined prior to the field survey based on the location of database records, availability of potentially suitable habitat and knowledge of the species ecology (section 3.9.2). This list was then updated following the field survey to better reflect the habitats observed.

2.2.2 Fauna

A likelihood of occurrence assessment was performed to identify habitats within the study area for which fauna listed under the current BC Act may have specific dependence (DBCA, 2018b). For the purpose of this study, 'specific dependence' is defined as core habitat including roosting, denning, shelter and breeding habitat.

The likelihood of conservation significant fauna species (BC Act) occurring within the study area was determined prior to the field survey based on the location of database records, availability of potentially suitable habitat and knowledge of the species ecology (section 3.10.2). This list was then updated following the field survey to better reflect the habitats. Exclusively marine fauna were excluded from the likelihood assessment as the study area does not contain marine habitat and is therefore not able to support these species.

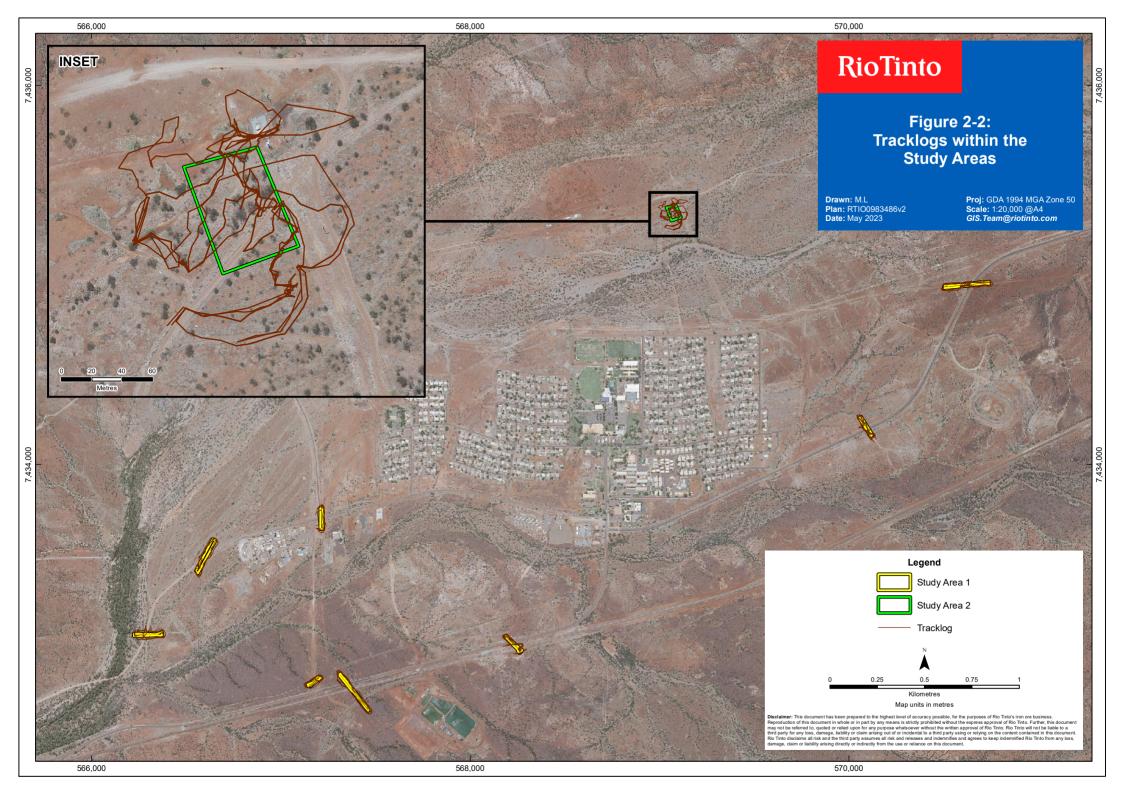
2.3 Field Survey

The study area was surveyed by Rio Tinto Ecologists Bridget Duncan, Alicia Michael and Daenia Dundon on the 30th March 2023.

The study area was assessed in accordance with the *Technical Guidance – Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment* (EPA 2016a) and *Environmental Factor Guideline – Flora and Vegetation* (EPA 2016b). Fauna habitats were confirmed with reference to *Technical Guidance – Terrestrial vertebrate fauna surveys for environmental impact assessment* (EPA 2020) and *Environmental Factor Guideline – Terrestrial Fauna* (EPA 2016c).

Following the literature review and review of the desktop search output the study area was accessed by light vehicle and on foot for a targeted flora and vegetation assessment in accordance with condition 8(a) of CPS 6110/6. Where the study area was located outside of the area subject to CPS 6110/6 (Study Area 2), an NVCP level survey (targeted and reconnaissance flora and vegetation, and targeted fauna habitat survey) was completed which included releves and targeted fauna habitat assessment to inform and amendment to the permit area. Data was collected on the flora species present, including percentage cover; average height of each vegetation stratum; site slope; topography; soil texture and colour; and landform type and habitat features. Tracklogs for the targeted flora and NVCP level survey are displayed on Figure 2-2.

Locations of conservation significant flora were recorded using a hand-held GPS (GDA 94 Z50). Where populations of conservation significant flora were encountered; estimates of density or numbers of individuals, habitats and associated flora were recorded.



2.3.1 Vegetation descriptions, condition assessment and mapping

Vegetation descriptions for the study areas were based on Specht (1970) with modification by Aplin (1979). Assessment of the overall condition of each vegetation association was made based on Trudgen (1988) (Appendix 3).

Vegetation types were mapped in the field and confirmed following data processing post-survey. The vegetation boundaries were digitised on-screen using ArcMap 10.7.1. The resulting polygons were attributed with the relevant information including the vegetation association, description of key components in each stratum and condition.

2.3.2 Flora identification

An interim species list was compiled in the field covering common species identified with confidence by the field personnel. Voucher samples of unknown and Priority flora were collected, pressed and dried in the field and assigned a unique reference number for each sample.

Flora samples collected in the field were taken to the Western Australian Herbarium (WAH) to be formally identified by Rio Tinto sponsored taxonomist Steve Dillon using relevant taxonomic publications and comparisons to collections at the WAH.

2.3.3 Fauna habitat assessment

Prior to survey, a desktop assessment was completed to identify areas of habitat on which fauna listed in the BC Act in operation at the time have specific dependence. This included a review of the landscape characteristics, literature review, database searches and likelihood of occurrence assessments.

Habitat assessments are used to identify fauna habitat types and quantify their extents within the study areas. Habitat assessments incorporate information obtained through the desktop assessment (i.e. vegetation and geological information) as well as information obtained through the field survey (i.e. physical characteristics). Unique habitats can be identified based on their combinations of landforms, soil and vegetation which determine their ability to support specific fauna assemblages or significant fauna.

Significant habitats include rare or isolated habitats and habitat features, such as rock piles, caves, gullies, significant trees, drainage lines or waterholes, damplands and springs as well as those that are likely to provide special resources to fauna. Other important habitats include ecological linkages and migration pathways, refugia, islands, areas that support large or seasonal aggregations of fauna and areas that are important to significant fauna, e.g. for breeding, roosting or foraging.

Broad fauna habitats were identified and mapped based on information obtained through the desktop assessment and confirmed during the field survey. Following the desktop assessment and survey, habitats were assessed for their potential to be of specific dependence to conservation significant species, taking into account species habitat preferences and availability of habitat resources within the study area. Supporting evidence such as sightings, the presence of microhabitats including caves, water holes, tree hollows and burrows were recorded throughout the study area.

Fauna habitats were assessed and mapped as per *Technical Guidance: Terrestrial vertebrate fauna surveys for environmental impact assessment* (EPA 2020).

3. Desktop assessment results

3.1 Climate

The closest meteorological station providing climate data is Paraburdoo Aero (station number: 007185), located approximately 8 km east of the study area (BOM, 2023). The Paraburdoo climate is generally semi-arid with warm to hot temperatures year-round. Annual rainfall is low with most rain falling in the late summer due to the influence of tropical cyclones and monsoons. A second peak in rainfall can occur in early winter due to cold fronts developed in the south. Rainfall varies in frequency and volume from year to year. The summer wet months extend January to March when temperatures can exceed 48°C. Winter temperature maximums stay in the mid to high 20°C and rarely drop below 10°C.

Rainfall for the three month period preceding the survey was 224.8 mm, which is 40.1 mm above the long-term average for this period (184.7 mm) (BOM 2023). Annual average climate statistics for Paraburdoo Aero are displayed in **Figure 3-1**.

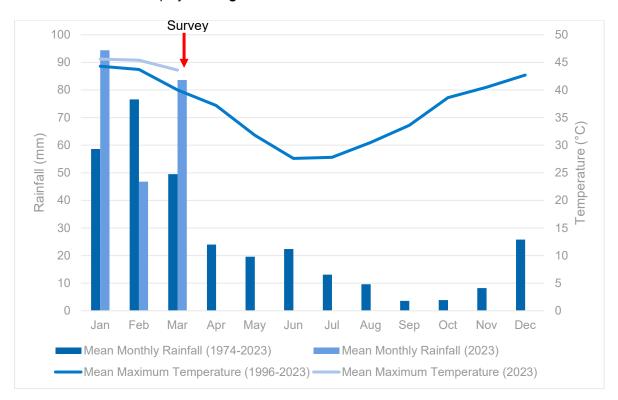


Figure 3-1: Annual average climate statistics for Paraburdoo Aero (Station No. 007185) (BOM, 2023).

3.2 Geology and soils

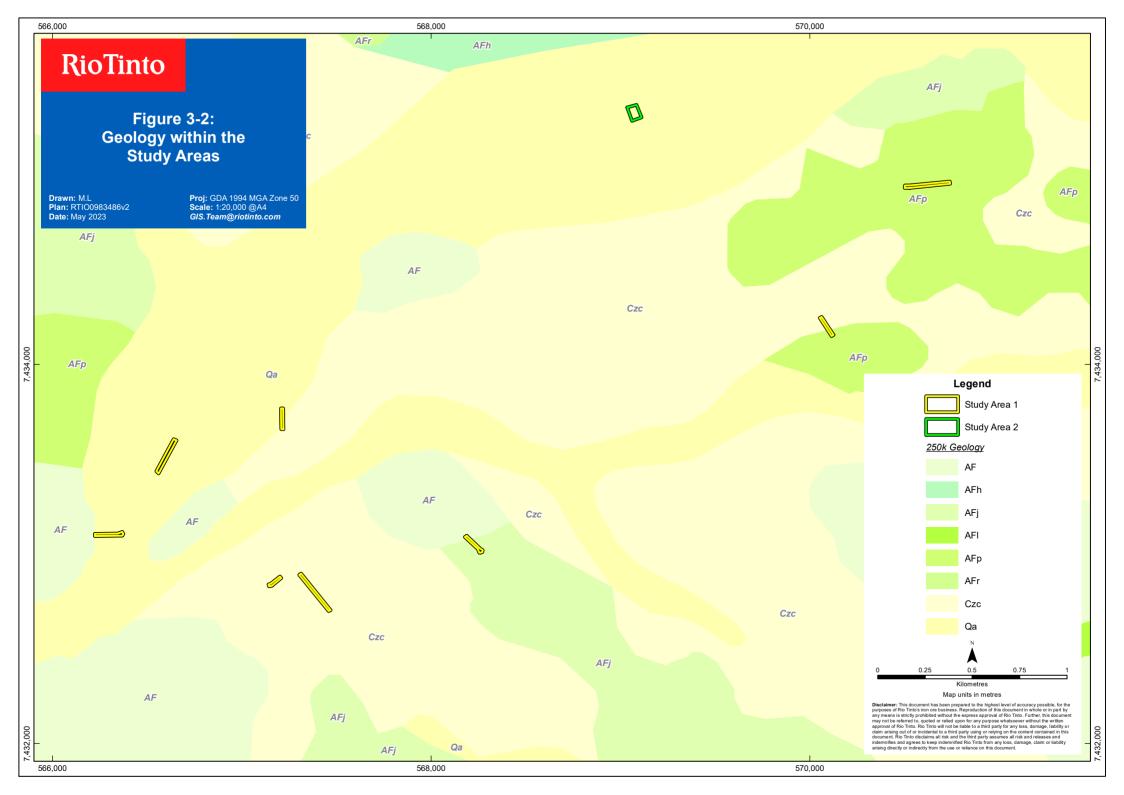
The study area is comprised of five major geological units based on 1:100,000 scale map sheet series (**is described** as basalt hills and restricted stony plains supporting grassy mulga shrublands.

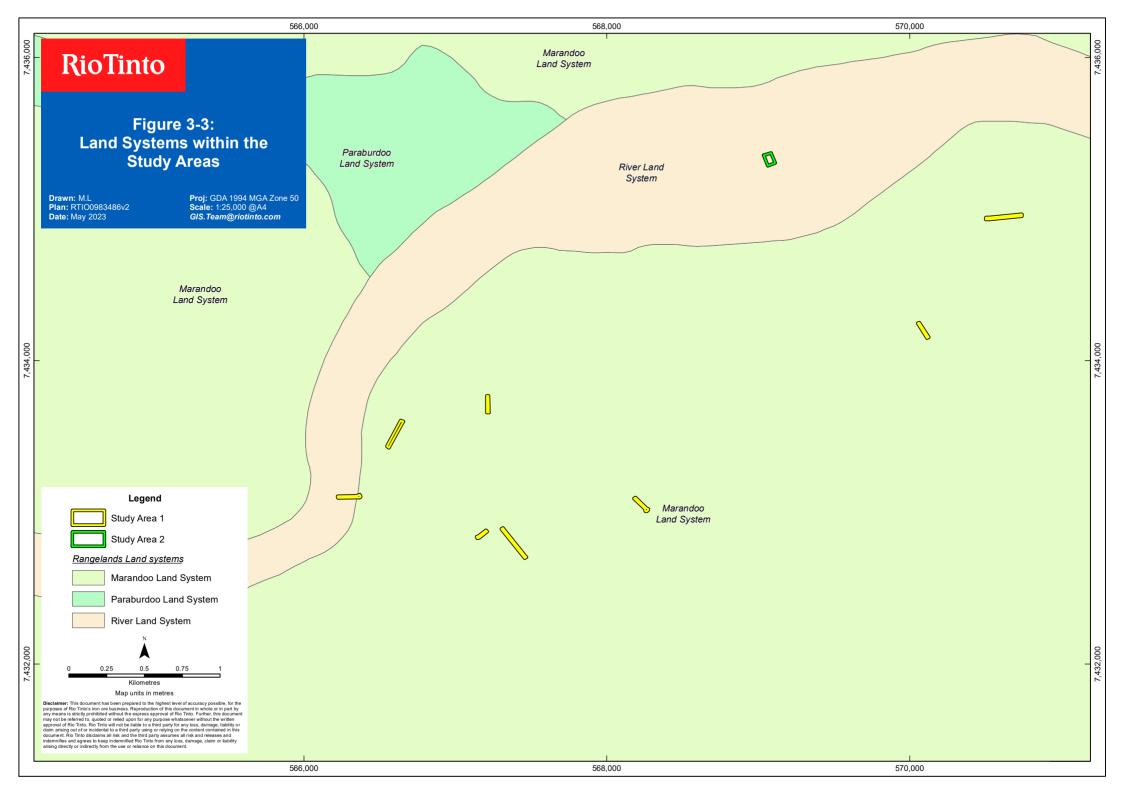
; Stewart, et al. 2008). The geological units are:

- AF: Bunjinah Formation metabasaltic pillow lava and breccia; metatuff and minor chert
- AFj: Jeerinah Formation pelite, metasandstone, chert and metabasaltic pillow lave and breccia
- AFp: Pyradie Formation pyroxene spinifex-textured metabasalt flows and pillow lava; metatuff and minor chert; contains komatiite locally
- Czc: Colluvium unconsolidated quartz and rock fragments in soil; partly consolidated valley-fill deposits
- Qa: Alluvium unconsolidated silt, sand and gravel

Land system (rangeland) mapping is based on regional patterns in topography, soils and vegetation (Christian & Stewart 1953). The most recent land system mapping of the Pilbara bioregion, in which the study area lies, was completed by Van Vreeswyk, *et al.* 2004. The mapping classifies the Pilbara region into 102 land systems. An assessment of land systems provides an indication of the occurrence and distribution of flora and vegetation types as well as fauna habitats present in the study areas.

The study area is comprised of two land systems: River Land System and Marandoo Land System (Figure 3-3). The River Land System is described as narrow, seasonally active flood plains and major river channels supporting moderately close, tall shrublands or woodlands of Acacias and fringing communities of Eucalyptus sometimes with tussock grasses or spinifex. The Marandoo Land System is described as basalt hills and restricted stony plains supporting grassy mulga shrublands.





3.3 Surface hydrology and groundwater

The study area lies within the Pilbara Groundwater Area and the Roebourne/Ashburton Groundwater Subarea (DWER, 2021).

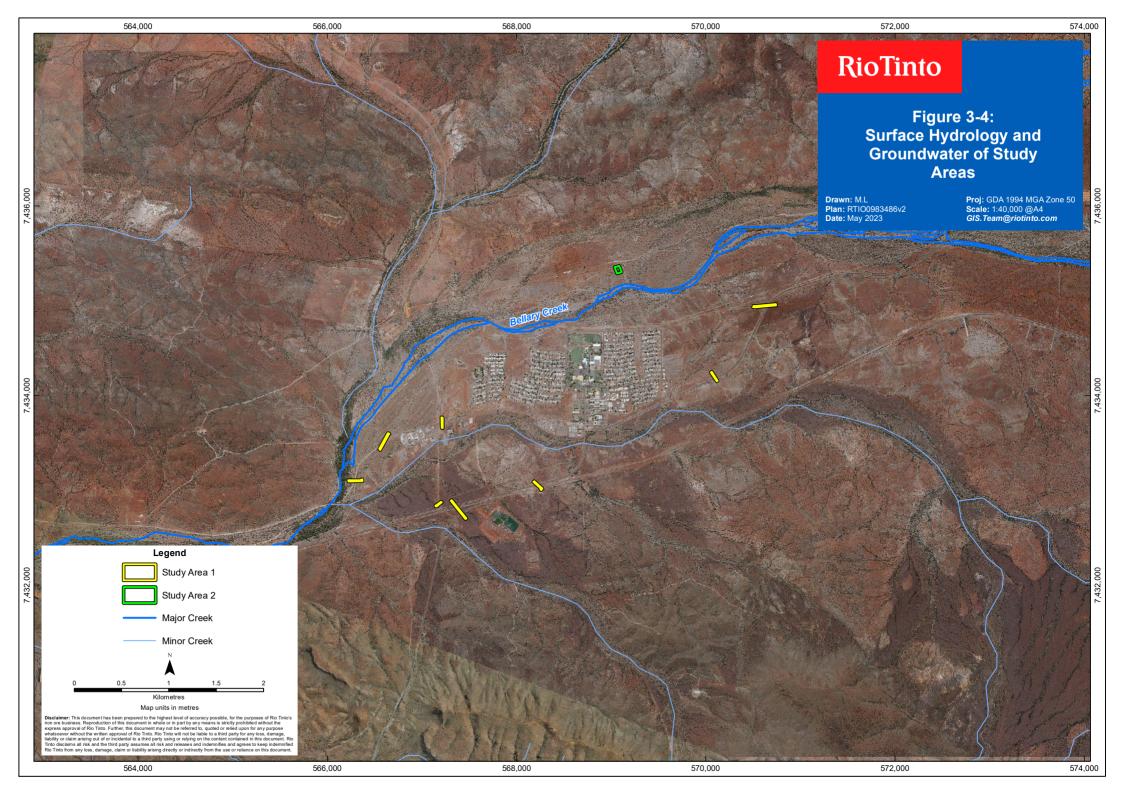
Topography is generally flat and surface water is expected to be either internally draining or drain into Paraburdoo's road drainage system. Surface hydrology and groundwater within the study area are presented in Figure 3-4.

3.4 Regional biogeography

The Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia (**IBRA7**) recognises 89 bioregions (DCCEEW, 2023a). The study area is located in the Pilbara (**PIL**) bioregion as defined by IBRA. The Pilbara bioregion has been further subdivided into four subregions: Chichester (**PIL1**); Fortescue Plains (**PIL2**); Hamersley (**PIL3**); and Roebourne (**PIL4**).

The study area falls within the Hamersley (**PIL3**) sub-region and is described by Kendrick & Stanley 2001 as:

• 'Southern section of the Pilbara Craton. Mountainous area of Proterozoic sedimentary ranges and plateaux, dissected by gorges (basalt, shale and dolerite). Mulga low woodland over bunch grasses on fine textured soils in valley floors, and *Eucalyptus leucophloia* over *Triodia brizoides* on skeletal soils of the ranges. The climate is Semi-desert tropical, average 300mm rainfall, usually in summer cyclonic or thunderstorm events. Winter rain is not uncommon. Drainage into either the Fortescue (to the north), the Ashburton to the south, or the Robe to the west.'



3.5 Beard's regional vegetation mapping

Vegetation type and extent has been mapped at a regional scale by Beard (1975) who categorised vegetation into broad vegetation associations. Based on this mapping at a scale of 1:1,000,000, the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (**DPIRD**) has compiled a list of vegetation extent and types across WA (Shepherd, *et al.* 2002).

The study area falls within two vegetation units:

- Hamersley (181): Shrublands: Mulga and snakewood scrub.
- Hamersley (567): Hummock grasslands, shrub steppe; mulga and kanji over soft spinifex and *Triodia basedowii*.

Given the broad nature of Beard's mapping; these vegetation associations are only broadly applicable to the vegetation types occurring in the study area.

3.6 Pre-European vegetation extent

The pre-European and current extent of native vegetation associations in Western Australia has been interpreted by Shepherd, *et al.* (2002) using data from Beard's (1975) regional vegetation mapping and other vegetation mapping, as well as satellite imagery and orthophoto interpretation.

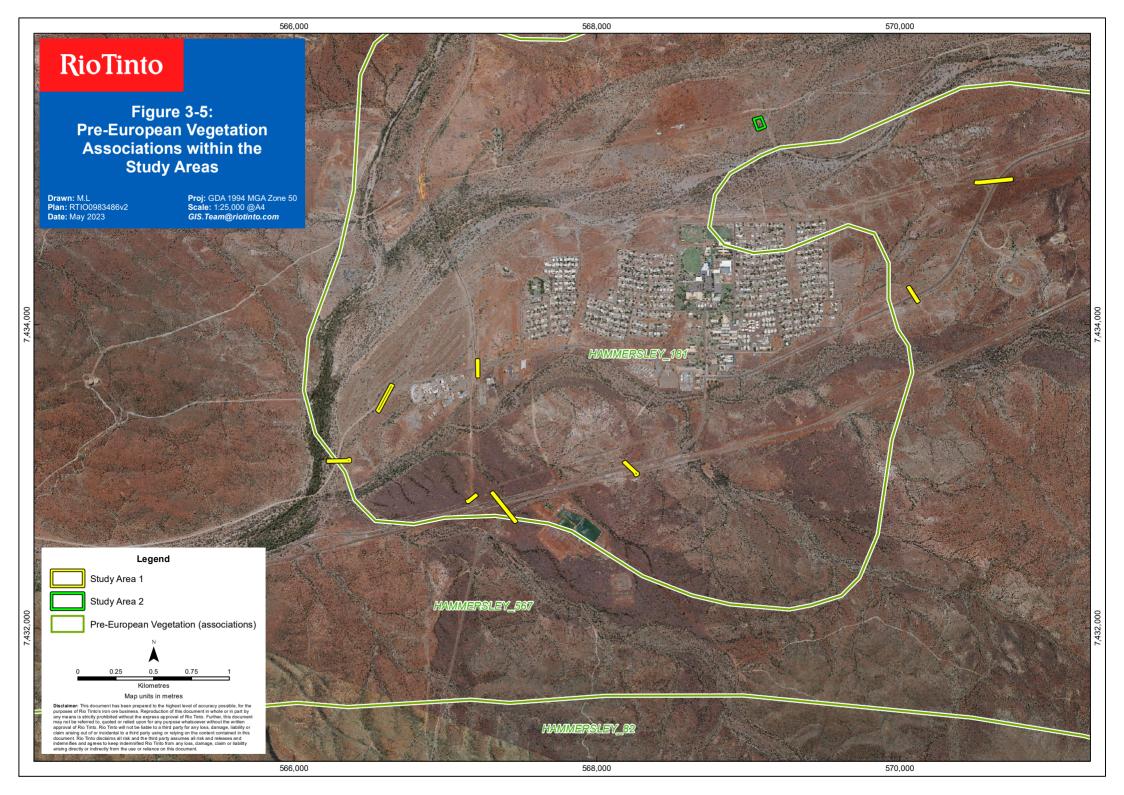
Shepherd, et al. (2002) identified the Pilbara bioregion as having largely intact native vegetation owing to the lack of intensive agricultural land use practices. Although the native vegetation remains widespread and largely intact, the floristic composition and structural characteristics have almost certainly changed since European settlement by grazing and altered fire regimes (Shepherd, et al. 2002).

Table 3-1 and Figure 3-5 present the pre-European and current extent of Beard's mapping units within the study area.

Table 3-1: Beard's mapping current and pre-European extent within the Pilbara bioregion and across the study area

Beard's mapping unit	Pre-European extent (ha)^	Current extent (ha)^	Percentage remaining (%)
(Shepherd vegetation association)			
181	63,144.46	61,257.91	97.01
567	777,187.88	774,576.94	99.66

[^] Department of Biodiveristy, Conservation and Attractions (2019)



3.7 Conservation areas and environmentally sensitive areas

Environmentally Sensitive Areas (**ESAs**) are defined in the *Environmental Protection (Environmentally Sensitive Areas) Notice 2005* under section 51B of the WA State Environmental Protection Act 1986. ESAs include areas declared as: World Heritage; included on the Register of the National Estate; defined wetlands; vegetation containing rare (Threatened) flora; Threatened Ecological Communities (**TEC**); and Bush Forever sites.

The study area does not lie within any conservation areas or ESAs, nor are any within 20 km of the study area.

3.8 Priority ecological communities

Priority Ecological Communities (**PECs**) are possible TECs that do not meet survey criteria or are not adequately defined for the TEC list by the DBCA - Parks and Wildlife Service (Parks and Wildlife), they are ranked as Priorities 1, 2 and 3 (1 being the highest).

The study area does not lie within any PECs or their buffers, nor are any located within 20 km of the study area.

3.9 Flora

3.9.1 Flora diversity

The DBCA NatureMap database search results cover all species detected previously within 20 km of the study area. The DBCA NatureMap search returned a total of 459 taxa from 65 species and 174 genera (Table 3-2). The combined DBCA NatureMap and Rio Tinto databases returned a total of 19 conservation significant flora species (Table 3-4). The PMST database search did not return any listed flora species.

Table 3-2 Flora diversity of the study area based on desktop assessment (DBCA. 2007-)

Flora group

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	NatureMap database
Families	65
Genera	174
Species	459
Conservation listed	19
Weeds	5

3.9.2 Conservation significant flora likelihood of occurrence

Nineteen (19) conservation significant flora species were returned by the database searches (Table 3-3). Of these, one is listed as Threatened, two as Priority 1 (P1), two as Priority 2 (P2), 11 as Priority 3 (P3) and four as Priority 4 (P4). Seven on these species are considered to possibly occur within the study area (Figure 3-3).

Table 3-3: Flo	Flora likelihood of occurrence assessment								
Taxon	WA	NM	RT	PMST	Flowering	Habitat	Number of records within 20 km of	Likelihood of occurrence	
	listing				period		study area*		
Aluta quadrata	Т	Х	Х		May - Jun	Edge of creek beds, base of cliffs, rocky crevices, near crest of ridge.	There are 1413 records within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.	
Hibiscus campanulatus	s P1	X	Х		Jul - Aug	Rocky gully, steep slopes, base of breakaways, minor drainage lines through ironstone hills. Brown sandy loam soils.	527 records within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.	
Isotropis forrestii	P1		Х		Apr - Sep or De	c Stony clay loam, sandy alluvium. Along drainage lines.	There are two records within 20 km of the study area.	Potential The study area may contain suitable habitat to support this species.	
Hibiscus sp. Gurinbidd Range (M.E. Trudgen MET 15708)	^y P2	Х	Х		May - Jul	Rocky slopes, gullies, breakaways, scree slopes, creeks. Gravelly, red brown loam.	There are four records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.	
Solanum octona	P2		Х			Silty clays or loams associated with hydrological features in the landscape, such as riverbanks and claypans.	There are 35 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Potential The study area may contain suitable habitat to support this species.	
Eremophila coacta	P3	X	Х		Jun - Jul or Sep	Laterite, shale soils. Ironstone hills, creeklines.	There are 130 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.	
Eremophila naaykensii	P3		Х		Aug - Sep	Hillslopes, scree slopes, ironstone outcrops. Brown-red soil, silty loam.	There are 263 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.	

Goodenia sp. East Pilbara (A.A. Mitchell PRP 727)	P3	X	X	Aug - Sep	Red-brown clay soil, calcrete pebbles. Low undulating plain, swampy plains.	There are 96 records of this species within the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Grevillea saxicola	P3	Х	Х	Feb - Mar	Hillslopes, incised gully systems, steep cliffs. Loamy soils.	There are 239 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Olearia mucronata	P3	х		Aug - Jan	Schistose hills, along drainage channels.	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Pilbara trudgenii	P3	X		Sep - Oct	Skeletal, red stony soil over ironstone. Hill summits, steep slopes, screes, cliff faces.	There are 30 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Sida sp. Barlee Range (S. van Leeuwen 1642)	P3		X	Jul - Aug	Skeletal red soils pockets. Steep slope.	There are 104 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Sida sp. Hamersley Range (K. Newbey 10692)	P3	Х	Х	Aug - Oct	Gullies, breakaways, in ironstone crevices. Brown loamy sand.	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Solanum kentrocaule	P3		X	May or Jul - Oct	Rocky hills, steep slopes of ironstone hills, cliff faces, gullies, seasonal creeks. Stony soils, red-brown skeletal loam.	There are seven records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.

Swainsona thompsoniana	P3	X		Mar or Aug - Sep	Floodplains, bank slopes, cracking clay plains. Red-brown clay loam. Ironstone pebbles and rocks.	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Potential The study area may contain suitable habitat to support this species.
Eremophila magnifica subsp. magnifica	P4	X		Jul - Sep	Skeletal soils over ironstone. Rocky screes.	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Eremophila youngii subsp. lepidota	P4	X		Jan or Mar or Jun or Aug - Sep	Stony red sandy loam. Flats plains, floodplains, sometimes semi-saline, clay flats.	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Potential The study area may contain suitable habitat to support this species.
Ptilotus mollis	P4	X	Х	May or Sep	Stony hills and screes.	There are 12 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.
Ptilotus trichocephalus	P4	Х	Х	Sep	Sandy soils. Colluvial plains.	There are 122 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area is not expected to contain habitat to support this species.

3.10 **Fauna**

3.10.1 Fauna diversity

A NatureMap search was performed for terrestrial vertebrate fauna species within a 20 km buffer of the study area. This includes conservation significant fauna, feral (introduced) fauna and fauna not considered rare, threatened or conservation dependent.

A total of 273 terrestrial vertebrate fauna species have been previously recorded within the buffered study area. This comprises 153 bird species, 81 reptile species, 36 mammals and three amphibians. Thirteen (13) of these species are listed under the BC Act (Table 3-4).

Twelve (12) additional BC Act listed fauna were detected from the Rio Tinto database or PMST searches (Table 3-5).

Table 3-4 presents a summary of terrestrial vertebrate fauna species returned by the NatureMap database search.

Table 3-4: Summary of terrestrial vertebrate fauna species returned by NatureMap search

Fauna group	No. of species
Amphibians	3
Reptiles	81
Birds	153
Mammals	36
Total	273
BC Act listed	13

3.10.2 Conservation significant (BC Act) fauna likelihood of specific dependence

Twenty-five conservation significant (BC Act) fauna species were returned by the database searches (**Table 3-5**). Of these, two were listed as Critically Endangered, two as Endangered, seven as Vulnerable, 10 as Migratory, three as Priority 4 and one as Other Specially Protected Species. The study area is not considered to contain habitat of specific dependence for any of these species (**Table 3-4**).

Table 3-5:	Likelihoo	Likelihood of study area containing habitat for which fauna listed in the BC Act have specific dependence													
Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST	Habitat and discussion	Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence							
Birds															
Actitis hypoleucos	Common Sandpiper	MI	X		Х	This species has been recorded in estuaries and deltas of streams, as well as on banks farther upstream; around lakes, pools, billabongs, reservoirs, dams and claypans, and occasionally piers and jetties. The species generally forages in shallow water and on bare soft mud at the edges of wetlands. They sometimes venture into grassy areas adjoining wetlands (Higgins & Davies 1996).	There is one record of this	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.							
Apus pacificus	Fork-tailed Swift	MI			X	The Fork-tailed Swift is almost exclusively aerial, flying from less than 1 m to at least 300 m above ground and probably much higher. In Australia, they mostly occur over a wide range of habitats from inland plains, dry or open habitats, riparian woodland, tea-tree swamps, low scrub, heathland, saltmarsh, over cliffs, beaches, islands and well out to sea, above foothills or in coastal areas. They also occur over settled areas, including towns, urban areas and cities (DCCEEW, 2023c).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.							
Calidris acuminata	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	MI	Х		X	In Australasia, the Sharp-tailed Sandpiper prefers muddy edges of shallow fresh or brackish wetlands, with inundated or emergent sedges, grass, saltmarsh or other low vegetation. This includes lagoons, swamps, lakes and pools near the coast, and dams, waterholes, soaks, bore drains and bore swamps, saltpans and hypersaline salt lakes inland. They also occur in saltworks and sewage farms. They use flooded paddocks, sedgelands and other ephemeral wetlands, but leave when they dry (DCCEEW, 2023c).	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.							
Calidris ferruginea	Curlew Sandpiper	CR			X	The Curlew Sandpiper prefers habitats such as tidal mudflats, saltmarsh, salt fields, fresh, brackish or saline wetlands and sewerage ponds. It is also found at lagoons and mangroves, as well as beaches rocky shores and around lakes, dams and floodwaters. The Curlew Sandpiper does not breed in Australia (Pizzey & Knight 2012).	enocine occur within 20 km of the	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.							

Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST	Habitat and discussion	Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence
Calidris melanotos	Pectoral Sandpiper	MI			х	In Australasia, the Pectoral Sandpiper prefers shallow fresh to saline wetlands. The species can be found at coastal lagoons, estuaries, bays, swamps, lakes, inundated grasslands, saltmarshes, river pools, creeks, floodplains and artificial wetlands. Although this species is usually found in coastal or near coastal habitat, it can occasionally be found further inland. It prefers wetlands that have open fringing mudflats and low, emergent or fringing vegetation, such as grass or samphire (DCCEEW, 2023c).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Calidris subminuta	Long-toed Stint	MI	X			In Australia, the preferred habitat of the Long-toed Stint includes tussocky, weedy margins of shallow coastal and inland wetlands, sewerage ponds and tidal mudflats (Pizzey & Knight 2012). They prefer shallow freshwater or brackish wetlands including lakes, swamps, river floodplains, streams, lagoons and sewage ponds. The species is also fond of areas of muddy shoreline, growths of short grass, weeds, sedges, low or floating aquatic vegetation, reeds, rushes and occasionally stunted samphire (DCCEEW, 2023c).	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Charadrius veredus	Oriental Plover	MI			Х	Immediately after the Oriental Plover arrives in their non-breeding grounds in northern Australia, they spend a few weeks in coastal habitats such as estuarine mudflats and sandbanks, on sandy or rocky ocean beaches or nearby reefs, or in near-coastal grasslands, before dispersing further inland. Thereafter they usually inhabit flat, open, semi-arid or arid grasslands, where the grass is short and sparse, and interspersed with hard, bare ground, such as claypans, dry paddocks, playing fields, lawns and cattle camps, or open areas that have been recently burnt (DCCEEW, 2023c).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Erythrotriorchis radiatus	Red Goshawk	VU			Х	The Red Goshawk occurs in coastal and sub-coastal areas in wooded and forested lands of tropical and warm-temperate Australia (Marchant & Higgins 1993). Riverine forests are also used frequently (Debus 1991, 1993). The Red Goshawk nests in large trees, frequently the tallest and most massive in a tall stand, and nest trees are invariably within one km of permanent water (Aumann & Baker-Gabb 1991).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Falco hypoleucos	Grey Falcon	VU	Х			Grey Falcon is a wide roaming species and prefers habitats such as lightly treed inland plains, gibber deserts, sand ridges, pastoral lands, timbered watercourses. They are seldom in the driest deserts (Pizzey & Knight 2012).	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.

Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST	Habitat and discussion	Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence
Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon	os		Х		The Peregrine Falcon inhabits cliffs, gorges, timbered waterways, riverine environments, wetlands, plains and open woodlands. It also inhabits pylons, spires and buildings. Nesting habitat includes cliff edges or crevices, large tree hollows, other raptor or corvid nests and ledges of city buildings (Pizzey & Knight 2012).	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	MI			Х	In Australia, the Barn Swallow is recorded in open country in coastal lowlands, often near water, towns and cities. Barn Swallows are often sighted perched on overhead wires and also in or over freshwater wetlands, paperbark Melaleuca woodland, mesophyll shrub thickets and tussock grassland (Schodde & Mason 1999).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Malurus lamberti subsp. bernieri	Shark Bay Variegated Fairywren	VU	X			The Shark Bay Variegated Fairy Wren is found only on Dirk Hartog Island in Shark Bay, Western Australia. It occurs in dense heath and low shrubs.	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely This sub species is not known from the area and is considered to be a misidentification.
Motacilla cinerea	Grey Wagtail	MI			Х	The Grey Wagtail can be found in Australia near running water and in disused quarries. It is also found in sandy, rocky streams in escarpments and rainforests, sewage ponds, ploughed fields and airfields (Pizzey & Knight 2012).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Motacilla flava	Yellow Wagtail	MI			Х	The Yellow Wagtail is mostly found in open country near water. Little information is available on this species.	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.

Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST	Habitat and discussion	Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence
Pezoporus occidentalis	Night Parrot	CR			X	Night Parrot is a highly cryptic bird which was presumed extinct until its rediscovery in 2013. As such, habitat requirements are still being researched. At the time of this report Night Parrots are thought to roost and nest in clumps of dense vegetation, primarily old and large spinifex (Triodia) clumps, but sometimes other vegetation types are used. Little is known about foraging sites, but favoured sites are considered likely to vary across the range of the species. Triodia is also likely to provide a good food resource for night parrots, in times of mass flowering and seeding, but they also rely heavily on a range of other food species (DCCEEW, 2023c).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Rostratula australis	Australian Painted Snipe	EN			X	The Australian Painted Snipe is usually found in shallow inland wetlands, either freshwater or brackish, that are either permanently or temporarily filled. Though some individuals are apparently resident in some areas, other individuals appear to be nomadic, temporarily occupying areas where suitable habitat exists (DCCEEW, 2023c).	No previous records of this species occur within 20 km of the study area. This species was returned by the PMST as having habitat which may occur within the area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Tringa glareola	Wood Sandpiper	MI	X			Wood Sandpiper prefers well-vegetated, shallow, freshwater wetlands, such as swamps, billabongs, lakes, pools and waterholes. They also frequent inundated grasslands, short herbage or wooded floodplains, where floodwaters are temporary or receding, and irrigated crops (Pizzey & Knight 2012).	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Mammals								
Dasyurus hallocatus	Northern Quoll	EN	X			Northern Quoll occupy a diverse range of habitats including rocky areas, eucalypt forest, woodlands, rainforests, sandy lowlands and beaches, shrubland, grasslands and desert (Threatened Species Scientific Committee, 2005). Habitat generally encompasses some form of rocky area for denning purposes with surrounding vegetated habitats used for foraging and dispersal. Dens are made in rock crevices, tree holes or occasionally termite mounds. In the Pilbara region, the species appears to prefer the Rocklea, Macroy and Robe land systems. The Northern Quoll has also been recorded in other land systems which comprise sandstone and dolomite hills and ridges, shrublands, sandy plains, clay plans and tussock grasslands and coastal fringes including dunes islands and beaches (Biota, 2008).	There are six records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.

Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST	Habitat and discussion	Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence
Macroderma gigas	Ghost Bat	VU	X			The Ghost Bat is patchily distributed across the northern half of Australia. This species requires undisturbed roost sites which are often complex and contain multiple entrances; it has been known to utilise old abandoned mine shafts (Menkhorst & Knight 2017).	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Pseudomys chapmani	Western Pebble- mound Mouse	P4	X			The Western Pebble-mound Mouse is found on stony hillsides with hummock grassland (Menkhorst & Knight, 2021). This species favours scree and stony plains habitat where it constructs conspicuous, extensive mounds of small stones. The pebble-mounds are found on gently sloping hills where the ground is stony with continuous small pebbles.	There are 14 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Rhinonicteris aurantia	Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat	VU	X			The Pilbara leaf-nosed bat (PLNB) inhabits abandoned mine shafts, granite rock pile terrain of the east Pilbara and caves formed in gorges that dissect sedimentary geology in the west. This species is more influenced by the availability of suitable roost caves than by habitat type and high humidity is particularly important to this species (Van Dyck & Strahan 2008).	There are 33 records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Sminthopsis longicaudata	Long-tailed Dunnart	P4	Х			The Long-tailed Dunnart inhabits exposed rock and stony soils with hummock grasses and shrubs. They can be found on flat-topped hills, lateritic plateaus, sandstone ranges and breakaways as well as sparse mulga over spinifex (Van Dyck, Gynther and Baker, 2013).	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.
Reptiles								
Liasis olivaceus subsp. barroni	Pilbara Olive Python	VU	X			Pilbara Olive Python habitat includes escarpments, gorges and water holes in the ranges of the Pilbara region (Wilson & Swan 2008). Individuals are usually recorded in close proximity to water and rock outcrops that attract suitably sized prey species (Pearson, 2003).	There is one record of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely The study area does not contain habitat of specific dependence to support this species.

Species	Common name	BC Act	NM	RT	PMST		Number of records within 20 km of study area*	Likelihood of study area containing habitat of specific dependence
Pogona minor subsp. minima	Abrolhos Bearded Dragon	VU	Х			Australia, North Island, East Wallabi Island and West Wallabi Island. It	There are two records of this species within 20 km of the study area.	Unlikely This species is not known from the mainland and is considered to be a misidentification.

NM – NatureMap; RT –Rio Tinto Priority Fauna Database; PMST – EPBC Act Protected Matters Search Tool. * Please note that due to NatureMap being taken offline indefinitely as of 17 December 2021, location of closest record has been derived from the Rio Tinto internal database. If no record is present within this database, number of species within buffered (20km) study area has been presented.

4. Field results

4.1 Flora

4.1.1 Flora diversity

Flora diversity was recorded for Study Area 2 to comply with the request to extend the area subject to CPS 6110/6. A total of 34 flora species from 15 families were identified during the survey. The most specious family was Fabacea (7) and Poacea (7) followed by Chenopodiaceae (3). A full list of species is presented in Appendix 5.

4.1.2 Conservation significant flora

No conservation significant flora was detected during the survey at any of the study areas.

4.1.3 Introduced flora

Five (5) species of introduced flora were detected during the survey at Study Area 2. These comprised:

- Aerva javanica
- Cenchrus ciliaris
- Cenchrus setiger
- Cynodon dactylon
- Malvastrum americanum

None of these species are listed as Weeds of National Significance (WONS).

As Study Area 1 was subject to a targeted survey only to comply with condition 8(a) of CPS 6110/6, weeds were not surveyed at this site.

4.2 Vegetation of the study area

The study area comprised one vegetation type: *Acacia citrinoviridis* tall sparse shrubland over *Acacia tetragonophylla* and *Eremophilla cuneifolia* mid sparse shrubland over **Cenchrus setiger* and **Cenchrus ciliaris* tussock grassland. This vegetation type covers 16.48% of the study area (0.32 ha), the remaining 1.65 ha (83.52%) of the study area had been cleared for tracks and infrastructure (powerlines, rail, tracks and water bore).

The vegetation within the study area was assessed as being in Poor condition with disturbances from weeds, tracks, cattle, litter, previous clearing and infrastructure (Table 4-1).

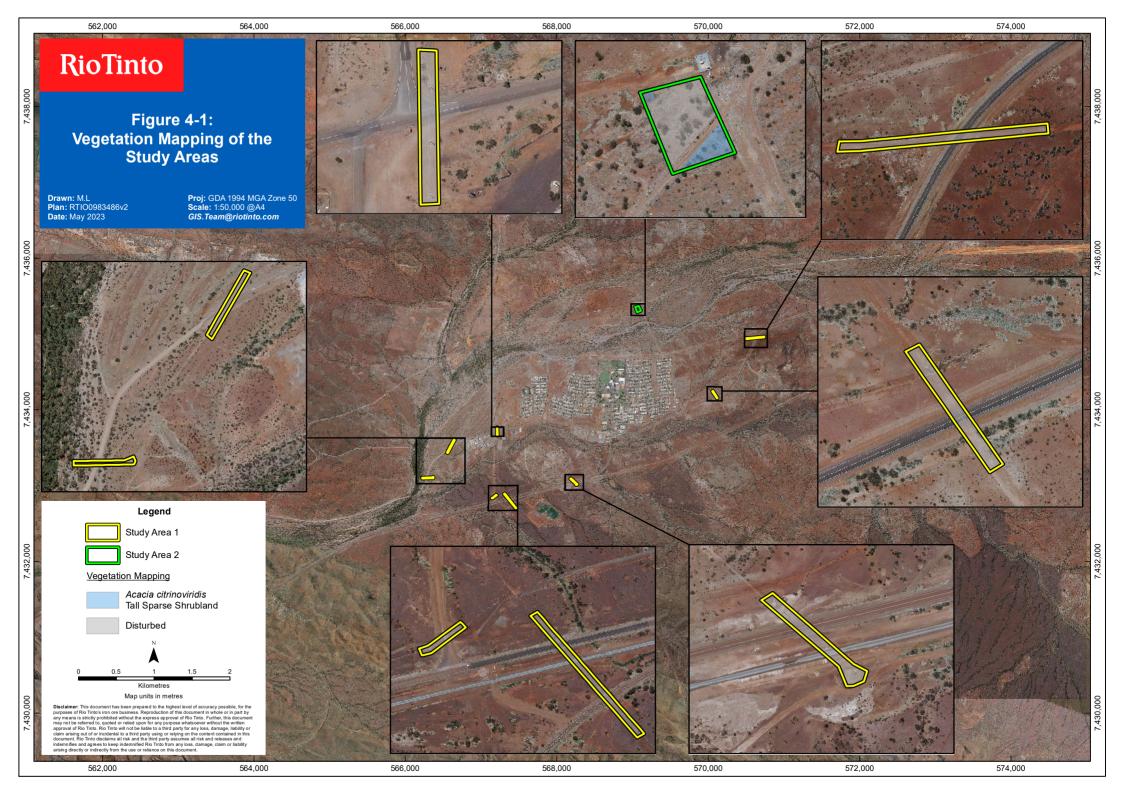
4.3 Vegetation of conservation significance

The vegetation within the study area was considered to be common within the region and did not represent a potential PEC or TEC.

Table 4-1 Vegetation types within the study area

Vegetation code	Description	Extent (ha) within study area	Proportion (%) Photo within study area
AcAtEcCsCc (Fauna habitat = Alluv Plain)	Acacia citrinoviridis tall sparse shrubland over Acacia tetragonophylla and Eremophilla vial cuneifolia mid sparse shrubland over *Cenchrus setiger and *Cenchrus ciliaris tussock grassland. This vegetation type had disturbances from weeds, tracks, cattle, litter, previous clearing and infrastructure and overall was in Poor condition.		16.48
HD	Highly modified Areas that are heavily disturbed, degraded, week infested or cleared.	1.65 d	83.52

Total 1.97 100



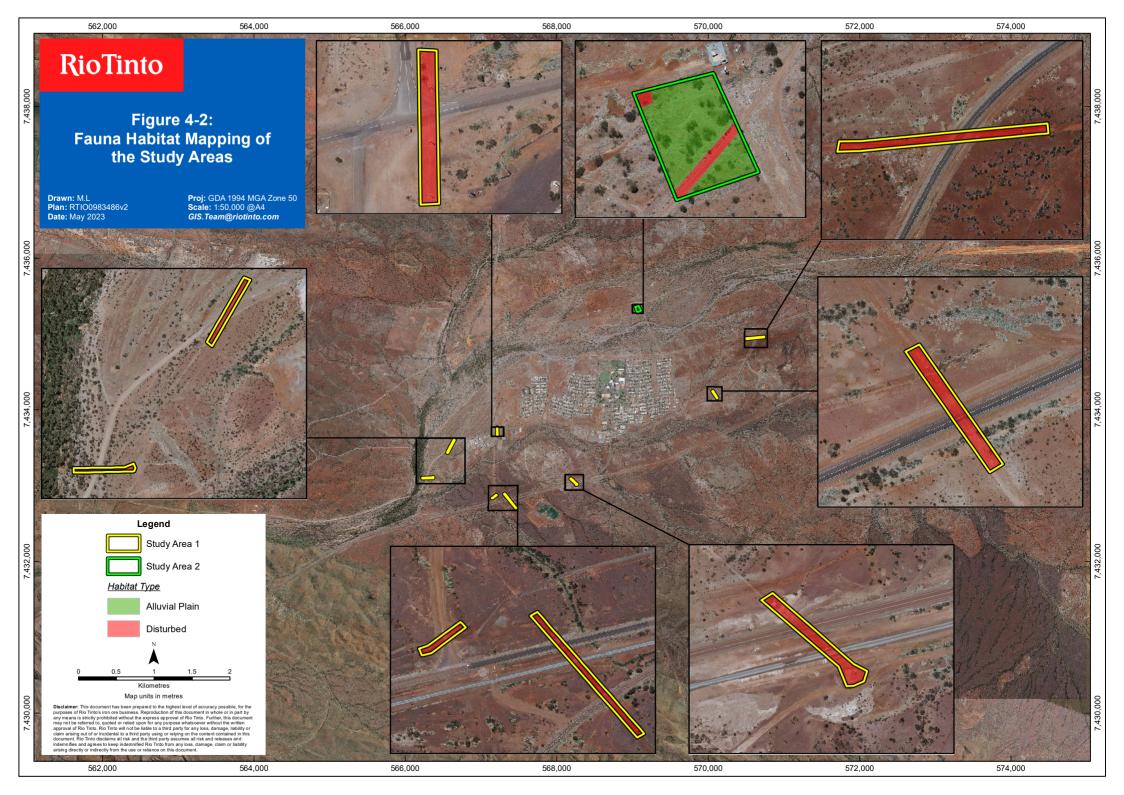
4.4 Fauna habitat

The majority of the study area contains disturbed habitat with no complex vegetation, accounting for 1.65 ha (83.52%). The other 0.32 ha (16.48%) of the study area is Alluvial Plain habitat, which comprises of alluvial, silt, clay or loams associated with floodplains adjacent to drainage lines. The habitats within the study area have been largely cleared/disturbed and the remaining vegetation is in poor condition. Due to the low vegetation complexity and heavily disturbed nature of the habitats (which lie along roads and powerline corridors), the habitats are considered to have little value to most fauna, including BC Act listed fauna.

The fauna habitat types are described below, accompanied by mapping of the habitat types (Table 4-2, Figure 4-2).

Table 4-2: Fauna habitats within the study area

Habitat	Fauna habitat description	Significant microhabitat	Extent (ha) within study area	Proportion (%) within study area
Alluvial Plain	This habitat is comprised of low lying, often disturbed vegetation including tussock grasses. The landscape is generally low lying with very slight to no gradient. Some areas may be seasonally inundated with water but do not provide a permanent water source for fauna. Typical substrate of this habitat includes alluvial, silt and/or loamy/clay.	None.	0.32	16.48
	Habitat connectivity is considered good with linear infrastructure providing minor barriers to ground dwelling fauna movement.			
	Very few microhabitats are expected to occur in this habitat within the study area. The soft soil strata may be suitable for some soil dwelling/burrowing/digging fauna however little other microhabitats are expected to occur.			
	Conservation significant fauna which may utilise habitat:			
	None.			
	Conservation significant fauna with specific dependence on this habitat:			
	None.			
Disturbed	Areas where the natural vegetation and microhabitats have been disturbed (tracks, laydown areas etc.). This habitat also contains previously disturbed areas with some natural vegetation regrowth.	None.	1.65	83.52
	Where natural regrowth has occurred, the habitat appears to be in degraded or completely degraded condition.			
TOTAL			1.97	100.0



5. Conclusion

The study area has been subject to a flora, vegetation and fauna desktop assessment, and a targeted flora, vegetation and fauna habitat survey. No conservation significant flora, vegetation or habitats of specific dependence to BC Act fauna were observed during the survey or are considered likely to occur with the study area.

6. Statement addressing the 10 Clearing Principles

Rio Tinto proposes to install a replacement bore for the damaged town water supply bore at Paraburdoo, Western Australia (Study Area 2). The study area comprises 0.38 ha of native vegetation and previously cleared tracks.

Based on specialist assessment of the survey area and discussion below, it is deemed that:

Principles a-j are not at variance;

6.1 Principle a: Comprises high level of biological diversity

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it comprises a high level of biological diversity.

The Pilbara is one of Australia's 15 National Biodiversity Hotspots (DotEE 2018a) and is a secondary centre of endemism and species richness for *Acacia*, *Triodia*, *Corymbia* and *Sida* in Western Australia (Maslin 2001, Kendrick 2001 and Maslin and van Leeuwen 2008). The Hamersley sub-region of the Pilbara has been identified by the Threatened Species Scientific Committee for the Australian Government Biodiversity Hotspots as it provides habitat for a number of threatened, endemic and firesensitive species and communities.

The study area occurs within the Hamersley sub-region of the Pilbara bioregion. The Hamersley sub-region is described as: 'Mountainous area of Proterozoic sedimentary ranges and plateaux, supporting Mulga (*Acacia aneura*) low woodland over bunch grasses on fine textured soils, and *Eucalyptus leucophloia* woodlands over *Triodia brizoides* hummock grasslands on skeletal sandy soils' (Kendrick 2001).

Special features of the Hamersley sub-region include rare features such as gorges, centres of endemism including calcrete deposits, refugia and the *Themeda* grasslands TEC (Kendrick 2001).

One vegetation unit was described from the study area; *Acacia citrinoviridis* tall sparse shrubland over *Acacia tetragonophylla* and *Eremophilla cuneifolia* mid sparse shrubland over **Cenchrus setiger* and **Cenchrus ciliaris* tussock grassland.. This vegetation unit does not represent a TEC under either the EPBC Act or under the State listing maintained by DBCA, and does not represent a PEC under the State listing maintained by DBCA (DBCA, 2018a, DBCA, 2022. The vegetation unit identified within the study area is considered to be of low conservation value and widely distributed both locally and throughout the Hamersley sub-region.

A total of 34 flora species from 28 genera representing 15 families were recorded during the current survey. The number of species recorded during the current survey is reflective of the small survey area, low landscape diversity and heavily disturbed nature of the study area.

No conservation significant flora species were detected during the survey, however five weed species were recorded. None of the weed species recorded are listed WONS.

One broad fauna habitat was recorded within the study area; Alluvial Plain. This fauna habitat is not considered to be restricted at a local or regional level.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.2 Principle b: Potential impact to any significant habitat for fauna indigenous to Western Australia

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it comprises the whole, or part of, or is necessary for the maintenance of, a significant habitat for fauna indigenous to Western Australia.

One broad fauna habitat was detected during the survey; Alluvial Plain. This habitat is not considered to be of specific dependence to conservation significance fauna. Due to the small size of clearing within this habitat, it is considered unlikely the Proposal will negatively impact on the conservation status of any species, on either a local or regional scale.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.3 Principle c: Potential impact to any rare flora

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it includes, or is necessary for the continued existence of rare flora.

No Declared Rare / Threatened flora species were recorded, nor were any EPBC Act listed Threatened flora observed. It is considered highly unlikely that any Threatened Flora species would have been overlooked, nor is any preferred landforms/habitat present that is likely to support Threatened flora.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.4 Principle d: Presence of any threatened ecological communities

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it comprises the whole or part of, or is necessary for the maintenance of a threatened ecological community (TEC).

There are no State or Commonwealth listed TECs within or adjacent to the study area.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.5 Principle e: Significance as a remnant of native vegetation in the area that has been extensively cleared

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it is significant as remnant vegetation in an area that has been extensively cleared.

The majority of the Pilbara region has not been extensively cleared. However grazing, inappropriate fire regimes and weed invasion have greatly altered the vegetation in some areas. The study area lies within two of Beard's mapping units - Hamersley 181 and Hamersley 567.

The current extent of the Beard (1975) mapping units Hamersley 181 and Hamersley 567 has been estimated to be over 97% of their pre-European extent remaining and are considered to be of 'least concern'. Vegetation types within the study area would not represent remnant stands of extensively cleared vegetation.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.6 Principle f: Impact on any watercourse and / or wetlands

Native vegetation should not be cleared if it is growing in, or in association with, an environment associated with a watercourse or wetland.

No flow lines are evident within the study area and the study area is not considered to be associated with watercourses or wetlands.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.7 Principle g: Potential to cause appreciable land degradation

Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of vegetation is likely to cause appreciable land degradation.

The study area lies within vegetation considered to be of low conservation value which has been partly disturbed and is in Poor condition. The Proposal is not expected to result in soil erosion, nutrient export, water-logging/flooding, acidification, salinization or deep subsoil compaction.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.8 Principle h: Potential to impact on the environmental values of adjacent or nearby conservation areas

Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of the vegetation is likely to have an impact on the environmental values of any adjacent or nearby conservation area.

There are no nearby conservation areas.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.9 Principle i: Potential deterioration in the quality of surface or underground water

Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of the vegetation is likely to cause deterioration in the quality of surface or underground water.

No permanent or semi-permanent water features occur in or adjacent to the study area. The study area lies within the Pilbara Groundwater Area and the Roebourne/Ashburton Groundwater Subarea. Due to the small size of the study area, it is considered unlikely the Proposal will negatively impact on this Water Reserve.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

6.10 Principle j: Potential of clearing to cause, or exacerbate, the incidence or intensity of flooding

Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of vegetation is likely to cause, or exacerbate, the incidence of flooding.

Local flooding occurs seasonally in the Pilbara region as a result of cyclonic activity and sporadic thunderstorm activity. The small scale of cleared proposed is not expected to exacerbate the incidence or intensity of flooding in the area.

Based on specialist assessment, the proposal is considered not at variance to this principle.

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8. Appendices

Appendix 1: Results of NatureMap and EPBC Protected Matters database searches

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Cincloramphus cruralis	BIRD	Animalia
Cinclosoma castaneothorax	BIRD	Animalia
Circus approximans	BIRD	Animalia
Circus assimilis	BIRD	Animalia
Colluricincla harmonica	BIRD	Animalia
Coracina novaehollandiae	BIRD	Animalia
Coracina novaehollandiae subsp. subpallida	BIRD	Animalia
Corvus bennetti	BIRD	Animalia
Corvus orru	BIRD	Animalia
Corvus orru subsp. cecilae	BIRD	Animalia
Cracticus nigrogularis	BIRD	Animalia
Cracticus tibicen	BIRD	Animalia
Cracticus torquatus	BIRD	Animalia
Cygnus atratus	BIRD	Animalia
Dacelo leachii	BIRD	Animalia
Dacelo leachii subsp. leachii	BIRD	Animalia
Dicaeum hirundinaceum	BIRD	Animalia
Dicrurus bracteatus	BIRD	Animalia
Egretta novaehollandiae	BIRD	Animalia
Elanus caeruleus	BIRD	Animalia
Elseyornis melanops	BIRD	Animalia
Emblema pictum	BIRD	Animalia
Eolophus roseicapillus	BIRD	Animalia
Epthianura tricolor	BIRD	Animalia
Eremiornis carteri	BIRD	Animalia
Erythrogonys cinctus	BIRD	Animalia
Eurostopodus argus	BIRD	Animalia
Falco berigora	BIRD	Animalia
Falco cenchroides	BIRD	Animalia
Falco hypoleucos	BIRD VU	Animalia
Falco longipennis	BIRD	Animalia
Falco longipennis subsp. longipennis	BIRD	Animalia
Fulica atra	BIRD	Animalia
Gavicalis virescens	BIRD	Animalia
Geopelia cuneata	BIRD	Animalia
Geopelia striata	BIRD	Animalia
Geopelia striata subsp. placida	BIRD	Animalia
Geophaps plumifera	BIRD	Animalia
Gerygone fusca	BIRD	Animalia
Gerygone fusca subsp. mungi	BIRD	Animalia
Grallina cyanoleuca	BIRD	Animalia
Haliastur sphenurus	BIRD	Animalia
Hamirostra melanosternon	BIRD	Animalia
Hieraaetus morphnoides	BIRD	Animalia
Himantopus himantopus	BIRD	Animalia

Lalage tricolor	BIRD		Animalia
Lichenostomus penicillatus	BIRD		Animalia
Lichenostomus virescens	BIRD		Animalia
Lichmera indistincta	BIRD		Animalia
Lichmera indistincta subsp. indistincta	BIRD		Animalia
Malacorhynchus membranaceus	BIRD		Animalia
Malurus lamberti	BIRD		Animalia
Malurus lamberti assimilis	BIRD		Animalia
Malurus lamberti subsp. assimilis	BIRD		Animalia
Malurus lamberti subsp. bernieri	BIRD	VU	Animalia
Malurus leucopterus	BIRD		Animalia
Manorina flavigula	BIRD		Animalia
Megalurus cruralis	BIRD		Animalia
Melanodryas cucullata	BIRD		Animalia
Melopsittacus undulatus	BIRD		Animalia
Merops ornatus	BIRD		Animalia
Microcarbo melanoleucos	BIRD		Animalia
Milvus migrans	BIRD		Animalia
Mirafra javanica	BIRD		Animalia
Neochmia ruficauda	BIRD		Animalia
Ninox boobook	BIRD		Animalia
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Ninox novaeseelandiae	BIRD		Animalia
Ninox novaeseelandiae subsp. boobook	BIRD		Animalia
Nycticorax caledonicus	BIRD		Animalia
Nymphicus hollandicus	BIRD		Animalia
Ocyphaps lophotes	BIRD		Animalia
Oreoica gutturalis	BIRD		Animalia
Pachycephala rufiventris	BIRD		Animalia
Pachycephala rufiventris subsp. rufiventris	BIRD		Animalia
Pardalotus rubricatus	BIRD		Animalia
Pardalotus striatus subsp. murchisoni	BIRD		Animalia
Petrochelidon ariel	BIRD		Animalia
Petrochelidon nigricans	BIRD		Animalia
Petroica cucullata	BIRD		Animalia
Petroica goodenovii	BIRD		Animalia
Phaps chalcoptera	BIRD		Animalia
Platycercus zonarius	BIRD		Animalia
Platycercus zonarius subsp. zonarius	BIRD		Animalia
Podargus strigoides	BIRD		Animalia
Poliocephalus poliocephalus	BIRD		Animalia
Pomatostomus superciliosus	BIRD		Animalia
Pomatostomus temporalis	BIRD		Animalia
Pomatostomus temporalis subsp. rubeculus	BIRD		Animalia
Porphyrio porphyrio	BIRD		Animalia

Psophodes occidentalis	BIRD	Animalia
Ptilonorhynchus guttatus	BIRD	Animalia
Ptilonorhynchus maculatus guttatus	BIRD	Animalia
Ptilotula keartlandi	BIRD	Animalia
Ptilotula penicillata	BIRD	Animalia
Purnella albifrons	BIRD	Animalia
Pyrrholaemus brunneus	BIRD	Animalia
Recurvirostra novaehollandiae	BIRD	Animalia
Rhipidura albiscapa	BIRD	Animalia
Rhipidura fuliginosa	BIRD	Animalia
Rhipidura leucophrys	BIRD	Animalia
Rhipidura leucophrys subsp. leucophrys	BIRD	Animalia
Smicrornis brevirostris	BIRD	Animalia
Stipiturus ruficeps	BIRD	Animalia
Tachybaptus novaehollandiae	BIRD	Animalia
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Tachybaptus ruficollis tricolor	BIRD	Animalia
Taeniopygia guttata	BIRD	Animalia
Taeniopygia guttata subsp. castanotis	BIRD	Animalia
Threskiornis molucca	BIRD	Animalia
Threskiornis spinicollis	BIRD	Animalia
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Acacia ayersiana hybrid	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia ayersiana x incurvaneura	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia bivenosa	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia bivenosa x sclerosperma subsp. sclerosperma	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia citrinoviridis	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia coriacea subsp. pendens	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia cuspidifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia fuscaneura	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia hamersleyensis	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia incurvaneura	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia maitlandii	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia marramamba	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia pruinocarpa	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia pyrifolia var. morrisonii	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia pyrifolia var. pyrifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia rhodophloia	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia rhodophloia x sibirica	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia sclerosperma subsp. sclerosperma	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia sibirica	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia spondylophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia synchronicia	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia tetanophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia tetragonophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia thoma	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia wanyu	DICOT	Plantae
Acacia xiphophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Adriana tomentosa var. tomentosa	DICOT	Plantae
Aerva javanica	DICOT	Plantae
Aluta quadrata	DICOT	EN Plantae
Amaranthus cuspidifolius	DICOT	Plantae
Amaranthus undulatus	DICOT	Plantae
Ammannia multiflora	DICOT	Plantae
Amyema fitzgeraldii	DICOT	Plantae
Amyema gibberula var. gibberula	DICOT	Plantae
Amyema sanguinea var. sanguinea	DICOT	Plantae
Amyema sp. Fortescue (M.E. Trudgen 5358)	DICOT	Plantae
Androcalva luteiflora	DICOT	Plantae
Angianthus tomentosus	DICOT	Plantae
Apowollastonia hamersleyensis	DICOT	Plantae
Argemone ochroleuca subsp. ochroleuca	DICOT	Plantae
Astrotricha hamptonii	DICOT	Plantae
Atriplex amnicola	DICOT	Plantae
Atriplex codonocarpa	DICOT	Plantae
Atriplex quadrivalvata	DICOT	Plantae

Boerhavia coccinea	DICOT	Plantae
Boerhavia sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Bonamia pilbarensis	DICOT	Plantae
Calandrinia holtumii	DICOT	Plantae
Calandrinia schistorhiza	DICOT	Plantae
Calandrinia sp. The Pink Hills (F. Obbens FO 19/06)	DICOT	Plantae
Calocephalus knappii	DICOT	Plantae
Calocephalus multiflorus	DICOT	Plantae
Calotis multicaulis	DICOT	Plantae
Capparis spinosa subsp. nummularia	DICOT	Plantae
Carissa lanceolata	DICOT	Plantae
Chrysocephalum gilesii	DICOT	Plantae
Cleome oxalidea	DICOT	Plantae
Cleome viscosa	DICOT	Plantae
Clerodendrum tomentosum var. lanceolatum	DICOT	Plantae
Commicarpus australis	DICOT	Plantae
Convolvulus clementii	DICOT	Plantae
Corchorus crozophorifolius	DICOT	Plantae
Corchorus lasiocarpus subsp. lasiocarpus	DICOT	Plantae
Corchorus lasiocarpus subsp. parvus	DICOT	Plantae
Corchorus tridens	DICOT	Plantae
Corymbia candida	DICOT	Plantae
Corymbia ferriticola	DICOT	Plantae
Corymbia hamersleyana	DICOT	Plantae
Corymbia opaca	DICOT	Plantae
Crotalaria cunninghamii subsp. sturtii	DICOT	Plantae
Crotalaria medicaginea	DICOT	Plantae
Crotalaria medicaginea var. neglecta	DICOT	Plantae
Cryptandra monticola	DICOT	Plantae
Cucumis variabilis	DICOT	Plantae
Cullen leucanthum	DICOT	Plantae
Cullen leucochaites	DICOT	Plantae
Datura leichhardtii subsp. leichhardtii	DICOT	Plantae
Dicladanthera forrestii	DICOT	Plantae
Diplopeltis stuartii var. stuartii	DICOT	Plantae
Dipteracanthus australasicus subsp. australasicus	DICOT	Plantae
Dissocarpus paradoxus	DICOT	Plantae
Dodonaea lanceolata var. lanceolata	DICOT	Plantae
Dodonaea pachyneura	DICOT	Plantae
Dodonaea petiolaris	DICOT	Plantae
Dodonaea viscosa	DICOT	Plantae
Duperreya commixta	DICOT	Plantae
Dysphania kalpari	DICOT	Plantae
Dysphania plantaginella	DICOT	Plantae
Dysphania rhadinostachya	DICOT	Plantae

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Eremophila latrobei DICOT Planta	
Eremophila latrobei subsp. filiformis DICOT Planta	
Eremophila latrobei subsp. glabra DICOT Planta	
Eremophila latrobei subsp. latrobei DICOT Planta	
Eremophila longifolia DICOT Planta	
Eremophila magnifica subsp. magnifica DICOT P4 Planta	
Eremophila oppositifolia subsp. angustifolia DICOT Planta	
Eremophila reticulata DICOT Planta	
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Eremophila youngii subsp. lepidota DICOT P4 Planta	
Erodium cygnorum DICOT Planta	
Eucalyptus camaldulensis subsp. obtusa DICOT Planta	
Eucalyptus gamophylla DICOT Planta	
Eucalyptus kingsmillii DICOT Planta	
Eucalyptus leucophloia subsp. leucophloia DICOT Planta	
Eucalyptus repullulans DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia australis DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia australis var. hispidula DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia australis var. subtomentosa DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia boophthona DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia careyi DICOT Planta	
Euphorbia coghlanii DICOT Planta	
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Evolvulus alsinoides	DICOT	Plantae
Evolvulus alsinoides var. villosicalyx	DICOT	Plantae
Ficus brachypoda	DICOT	Plantae
Flaveria trinervia	DICOT	Plantae
Frankenia hispidula	DICOT	Plantae
Frankenia magnifica	DICOT	Plantae
Genus C sp.11	DICOT	Plantae
Glycine tabacina	DICOT	Plantae
Gnephosis arachnoidea	DICOT	Plantae
Gomphrena affinis subsp. pilbarensis	DICOT	Plantae
Gomphrena canescens	DICOT	Plantae
Gomphrena cunninghamii	DICOT	Plantae
Gomphrena kanisii	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia cusackiana	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia forrestii	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia microptera	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia muelleriana	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia pascua	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia scaevolina	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia sp. East Pilbara (A.A. Mitchell PRP 727)	DICOT P3	Plantae
Goodenia stobbsiana	DICOT	Plantae
Goodenia tenuiloba	DICOT	Plantae
Gossypium robinsonii	DICOT	Plantae
Grevillea berryana	DICOT	Plantae
Grevillea saxicola	DICOT P3	Plantae
Grevillea striata	DICOT	Plantae
Hakea lorea subsp. lorea	DICOT	Plantae
Hakea lorea subsp. suberea	DICOT	Plantae
Harnieria kempeana	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium chrysocarpum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium conocarpum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium crispatum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium heteranthum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium inexplicitum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium ovalifolium	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium pachyphyllum	DICOT	Plantae
Heliotropium tenuifolium	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus burtonii	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus campanulatus	DICOT P1	Plantae
Hibiscus coatesii	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus goldsworthii	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus sp. Gardneri (A.L. Payne PRP 1435)	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus sp. Gurinbiddy Range (M.E. Trudgen MET 15708)	DICOT P2	Plantae

Hibiscus sturtii	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus sturtii var. campylochlamys	DICOT	Plantae
Hibiscus sturtii var. platychlamys	DICOT	Plantae
Hybanthus aurantiacus	DICOT	Plantae
Indigofera colutea	DICOT	Plantae
Indigofera decipiens	DICOT	Plantae
Indigofera fractiflexa	DICOT	Plantae
Indigofera monophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Indigofera rugosa	DICOT	Plantae
Ipomoea muelleri	DICOT	Plantae
lxiochlamys cuneifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Jasminum didymum	DICOT	Plantae
Jasminum didymum subsp. lineare	DICOT	Plantae
Lawrencia densiflora	DICOT	Plantae
Lawrencia glomerata	DICOT	Plantae
Lawrencia sp. Mulein Station (Setter 317)	DICOT	Plantae
Lepidium muelleri-ferdinandii	DICOT	Plantae
Lepidium oxytrichum	DICOT	Plantae
Lepidium pedicellosum	DICOT	Plantae
Lepidium phlebopetalum	DICOT	Plantae
Lepidium platypetalum	DICOT	Plantae
Lobelia arnhemiaca	DICOT	Plantae
Lobelia heterophylla subsp. pilbarensis	DICOT	Plantae
Lotus cruentus	DICOT	Plantae
Lysiana casuarinae	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana eriosphaera	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana georgei	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana lanosa	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana melanocoma	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana planifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana planifolia x villosa	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana pyramidata	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana suaedifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana thesioides	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana tomentosa	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana tomentosa subsp. tomentosa	DICOT	Plantae
Maireana villosa	DICOT	Plantae
Malvastrum americanum	DICOT	Plantae
Marsdenia australis	DICOT	Plantae
Melaleuca bracteata	DICOT	Plantae
Melaleuca glomerata	DICOT	Plantae
Melaleuca linophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Melhania oblongifolia	DICOT	Plantae
Neptunia dimorphantha	DICOT	Plantae
Nicotiana benthamiana	DICOT	Plantae

Nicotiana karijini	DICOT		Plantae
Nicotiana occidentalis	DICOT		Plantae
Nicotiana occidentalis subsp. occidentalis	DICOT		Plantae
Notoleptopus decaisnei	DICOT		Plantae
Oldenlandia crouchiana	DICOT		Plantae
Olearia mucronata	DICOT	Р3	Plantae
Olearia xerophila	DICOT		Plantae
Operculina aequisepala	DICOT		Plantae
Petalostylis labicheoides	DICOT		Plantae
Phyllanthus maderaspatensis	DICOT		Plantae
Pilbara trudgenii	DICOT	Р3	Plantae
Pimelea microcephala subsp. microcephala	DICOT		Plantae
Pittosporum sp.	DICOT		Plantae
Pluchea dentex	DICOT		Plantae
Pluchea rubelliflora	DICOT		Plantae
Polycarpaea corymbosa var. corymbosa	DICOT		Plantae
Polycarpaea longiflora	DICOT		Plantae
Polygala glaucifolia	DICOT		Plantae
Polygala longifolia	DICOT		Plantae
Polymeria ambigua	DICOT		Plantae
Portulaca intraterranea	DICOT		Plantae
Portulaca oleracea	DICOT		Plantae
Prostanthera albiflora	DICOT		Plantae
Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum	DICOT		Plantae
Psydrax latifolia	DICOT		Plantae
Psydrax suaveolens	DICOT		Plantae
Pterocaulon sphacelatum	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus aervoides	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus astrolasius	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus auriculifolius	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus calostachyus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus carinatus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus clementii	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus drummondii	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus exaltatus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus gaudichaudii	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus gomphrenoides	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus helipteroides	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus macrocephalus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus mollis	DICOT	P4	Plantae
Ptilotus nobilis	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus obovatus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus polystachyus	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus schwartzii	DICOT		Plantae
Ptilotus trichocephalus	DICOT	P4	Plantae

Rhagodia eremaea	DICOT	Plantae
Rhodanthe floribunda	DICOT	Plantae
Rhodanthe margarethae	DICOT	Plantae
Rhodanthe maryonii	DICOT	Plantae
Rhynchosia australis	DICOT	Plantae
Rhynchosia minima	DICOT	Plantae
Roebuckiella cuneata	DICOT	Plantae
Roepera kochii	DICOT	Plantae
Rumex vesicarius	DICOT	Plantae
Salsola australis	DICOT	Plantae
Samolus sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Santalum lanceolatum	DICOT	Plantae
Sauropus crassifolius	DICOT	Plantae
Scaevola acacioides	DICOT	Plantae
Scaevola spinescens	DICOT	Plantae
Schenkia clementii	DICOT	Plantae
Schoenia ayersii	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena bicornis	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena cornishiana	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena costata	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena cuneata	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena densiflora	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena eriacantha	DICOT	Plantae
Sclerolaena lanicuspis	DICOT	Plantae
Senecio magnificus	DICOT	Plantae
Senna artemisioides	DICOT	Plantae
Senna artemisioides subsp. artemisioides	DICOT	Plantae
Senna artemisioides subsp. helmsii	DICOT	Plantae
Senna artemisioides subsp. helmsii x artemisioides subsp. oligophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Senna artemisioides subsp. oligophylla	DICOT	Plantae
Senna glutinosa subsp. chatelainiana	DICOT	Plantae
Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa	DICOT	Plantae
Senna glutinosa subsp. pruinosa	DICOT	Plantae
Senna glutinosa subsp. x luerssenii	DICOT	Plantae
Senna notabilis	DICOT	Plantae
Senna sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Senna sp. Karijini (M.E. Trudgen 10392)	DICOT	Plantae
Senna sp. Meekatharra (E. Bailey 1-26)	DICOT	Plantae
Senna stricta	DICOT	Plantae
Seringia elliptica	DICOT	Plantae
Seringia nephrosperma	DICOT	Plantae
Sesbania cannabina	DICOT	Plantae
Sesbania formosa	DICOT	Plantae
Sida brownii	DICOT	Plantae
Sida calyxhymenia	DICOT	Plantae

Sida echinocarpa	DICOT		Plantae
Sida fibulifera	DICOT		Plantae
Sida laevis	DICOT		Plantae
Sida platycalyx	DICOT		Plantae
Sida sp. Barlee Range (S. van Leeuwen 1642)	DICOT		4 Plantae
Sida sp. dark green fruits (S. van Leeuwen 2260)	DICOT		Plantae
Sida sp. Excedentifolia (J.L. Egan 1925)	DICOT		Plantae
Sida sp. Hamersley Range (K. Newbey 10692)	DICOT	Р3	Plantae
Sida sp. Pilbara (A.A. Mitchell PRP 1543)	DICOT		Plantae
Sida sp. Shovelanna Hill (S. van Leeuwen 3842)	DICOT		Plantae
Sida sp. spiciform panicles (E. Leyland s.n. 14/8/90)	DICOT		Plantae
Sida spinosa	DICOT		Plantae
Sisymbrium orientale	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum ashbyae	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum gabrielae	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum horridum	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum lasiophyllum	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum nigrum	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum octonum	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum phlomoides	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum piceum	DICOT		Plantae
Solanum sp.	DICOT		Animalia
Solanum sturtianum	DICOT		Plantae
Sonchus oleraceus	DICOT		Plantae
Stackhousia intermedia	DICOT		Plantae
Stackhousia muricata	DICOT		Plantae
Stemodia grossa	DICOT		Plantae
Stenopetalum anfractum	DICOT		Plantae
Streptoglossa adscendens	DICOT		Plantae
Streptoglossa decurrens	DICOT		Plantae
Streptoglossa liatroides	DICOT		Plantae
Streptoglossa sp.	DICOT		Plantae
Stylobasium spathulatum	DICOT		Plantae
Swainsona forrestii	DICOT		Plantae
Swainsona incei	DICOT		Plantae
Swainsona leeana	DICOT		Plantae
Swainsona maccullochiana	DICOT		Plantae
Swainsona thompsoniana	DICOT	P3	Plantae
Synaptantha tillaeacea var. tillaeacea	DICOT		Plantae
Taplinia saxatilis	DICOT		Plantae
Taraxacum khatoonae	DICOT		Plantae
Tecticornia disarticulata	DICOT		Plantae
Tecticornia sp.	DICOT		Plantae
Tephrosia densa	DICOT		Plantae
Tephrosia rosea var. Fortescue creeks (M.I.H. Brooker 2186)	DICOT		Plantae
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Tephrosia sp. clay soils (S. van Leeuwen et al. PBS 0273)	DICOT	Plantae
Tephrosia sp. NW Eremaean (S. van Leeuwen et al. PBS 0356)	DICOT	Plantae
Thespesia sp.	DICOT	Plantae
Trachymene pilbarensis	DICOT	Plantae
Trianthema glossostigmum	DICOT	Plantae
Trianthema oxycalyptrum	DICOT	Plantae
Trianthema pilosum	DICOT	Plantae
Trianthema triquetrum	DICOT	Plantae
Tribulus astrocarpus	DICOT	Plantae
Tribulus hirsutus	DICOT	Plantae
Tribulus occidentalis	DICOT	Plantae
Tribulus suberosus	DICOT	Plantae
Trichodesma zeylanicum	DICOT	Plantae
Trigastrotheca molluginea	DICOT	Plantae
Triumfetta chaetocarpa	DICOT	Plantae
Triumfetta clementii	DICOT	Plantae
Vachellia farnesiana	DICOT	Plantae
Ventilago viminalis	DICOT	Plantae
Vigna lanceolata	DICOT	Plantae
Vincetoxicum flexuosum	DICOT	Plantae
Vincetoxicum lineare	DICOT	Plantae
Wahlenbergia tumidifructa	DICOT	Plantae
Waltheria indica	DICOT	Plantae
Waltheria virgata	DICOT	Plantae
Zaleya galericulata subsp. galericulata	DICOT	Plantae
Zygophyllum eichleri	DICOT	Plantae
Zygophyllum iodocarpum	DICOT	Plantae
Cheilanthes brownii	FERN	Plantae
Cheilanthes lasiophylla	FERN	Plantae
Cheilanthes tenuifolia	FERN	Plantae
Marsilea hirsuta	FERN	Plantae
Leiopotherapon unicolor	FISH	Animalia
Melanotaenia australis	FISH	Animalia
Neosilurus hyrtlii	FISH	Animalia
Abnitocrella halsei	INVERT	Animalia
Acariformes sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Aeolosoma sp. 1 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Aeolosoma sp. 4 (cf travancorense) (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
amphipod sp. 2 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Amphipoda sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Anochetus armstrongi McAreavey	INVERT	Animalia
ant sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Apocyclops dengizicus	INVERT	Animalia
Areacandona 'scanlonii' (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Areacandona sp.	INVERT	Animalia

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Areacandona sp. 5' (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Arrenuridae sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Arrenurus sp. S3 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Arrenurus sp. S4 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Asadipus sp.4	INVERT	Animalia
Atopobathynella sp. A	INVERT	Animalia
Australutica sp.2	INVERT	Animalia
Bdelloidea sp.	INVERT	Animalia
beetle sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Bogidiellidae sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Bolborhachium inclinatum	INVERT	Animalia
Boreosaragus sp1	INVERT	Animalia
Bothriembryon 'pilbara'	INVERT	Animalia
Brises sp1	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 10 (= sp. B25)	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 13 (= sp. B27)	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 14 (= sp. B22)	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 16 (= sp. B24)	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 48 (= sp. B21)	INVERT	Animalia
Buddelundia sp. nov. 50 (= sp. B20)	INVERT	Animalia
Calosoma oceanicum	INVERT	Animalia
Calosoma schayeri	INVERT	Animalia
Camponotus discors Forel	INVERT	Animalia
Camponotus novaehollandiae Mayr	INVERT	Animalia
Camponotus wiederkehri Forel	INVERT	Animalia
Candonid Genus 2 sp. 1 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Candonid Genus 5 sp. 1	INVERT	Animalia
Carenum pulchrum	INVERT	Animalia
Chlaenius australis	INVERT	Animalia
Cryptoerithrus harveyi	INVERT	Animalia
Cryptoerithrus sp.6	INVERT	Animalia
Deminutiocandona cf. 'quasimica' (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Deminutiocandona sp. 1' (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Deminutiocandona 'stomachosa' (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Diacyclops cockingi	INVERT	Animalia
Diacyclops humphreysi humphreysi	INVERT	Animalia
Diacyclops sobeprolatus	INVERT	Animalia
earthworm sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Euasteron sp.1	INVERT	Animalia
fly sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Gamasomorpha sp.1	INVERT	Animalia
Gamasomorpha sp.2	INVERT	Animalia
Gangus sp. 2	INVERT	Animalia
Gnathaphanus aridus	INVERT	Animalia

Gomphodella cf. sp. 5 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Gomphodella sp. 5 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Grymeus sp.7	INVERT	Animalia
Habronestes sp.8	INVERT	Animalia
Halacaridae sp. 1 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Halacaridae sp. S3 (PSS)	INVERT	Animalia
Helea sp3	INVERT	Animalia
Heteropoda hermitis	INVERT	Animalia
Hypharpax sp2	INVERT	Animalia
Indolpium sp. B08 (=Phoenix sp. 1)	INVERT	Animalia
Iridomyrmex chasei complex sp. JDM 1157	INVERT	Animalia
Iridomyrmex chasei concolor Forel	INVERT	Animalia
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Iridomyrmex sp. JDM 319	INVERT	Animalia
Iridomyrmex sp. JDM 843	INVERT	Animalia
Karaops martamarta	INVERT	Animalia
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Lychas bituberculatus	INVERT	Animalia
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Lychas 'hairy tail group'	INVERT	Animalia
Lychas mjobergi	INVERT	Animalia
Lychas sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Lychas sp. 2	INVERT	Animalia
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Melophorus ludius sulla Forel	INVERT	Animalia
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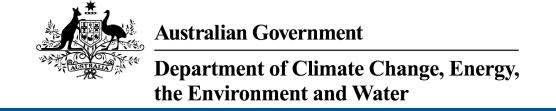
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Tiramideopsis lictus	INVERT	Animalia
Tiramideopsis sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Trichocyclus nigropunctatus	INVERT	Animalia
Trichocyclus warianga	INVERT	Animalia
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white ant sp.	INVERT	Animalia
Yilgarnia sp.3	INVERT	Animalia
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Bos taurus	MAMMAL	Animalia
Canis dingo	MAMMAL	Animalia
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Felis catus	MAMMAL	Animalia
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Cyperus involucratus	MONOCOT	Plantae
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Dactyloctenium radulans	MONOCOT	Plantae
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Potamogeton tepperi	MONOCOT	Plantae
Schoenoplectus subulatus	MONOCOT	Plantae
Sporobolus australasicus	MONOCOT	Plantae
Themeda sp.	MONOCOT	Plantae
Themeda sp. Hamersley Station (M.E. Trudgen 11431)	MONOCOT P3	Plantae
Themeda triandra	MONOCOT	Plantae
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Triodia epactia	MONOCOT	Plantae
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Triraphis mollis	MONOCOT	Plantae
Typha domingensis	MONOCOT	Plantae
Amphibolurus longirostris	REPTILE	Animalia
Anilios grypus	REPTILE	Animalia
Antaresia perthensis	REPTILE	Animalia
Antaresia stimsoni	REPTILE	Animalia
Brachyurophis approximans	REPTILE	Animalia
Carlia triacantha	REPTILE	Animalia
Cryptoblepharus ustulatus	REPTILE	Animalia
Ctenophorus caudicinctus	REPTILE	Animalia
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Diplodactylus savagei	REPTILE	Animalia

Furina ornata	REPTILE	Animalia
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Gehyra variegata	REPTILE	Animalia
Gehyra variegata/purpurascens	REPTILE	Animalia
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Lerista neander	REPTILE	Animalia
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Lerista verhmens	REPTILE	Animalia
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Liasis olivaceus subsp. barroni	REPTILE VL	J Animalia
Lucasium stenodactylum	REPTILE	Animalia
Lucasium wombeyi	REPTILE	Animalia
Lucasium 'woodwardi'	REPTILE	Animalia
Menetia greyii	REPTILE	Animalia
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Menetia surda subsp. surda	REPTILE	Animalia
Morethia ruficauda	REPTILE	Animalia
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Nephrurus wheeleri	REPTILE	Animalia
Nephrurus wheeleri subsp. cinctus	REPTILE	Animalia
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Oedura fimbria	REPTILE	Animalia
Oedura marmorata	REPTILE	Animalia
Pogona minor subsp. minima	REPTILE VL	J Animalia
Pseudechis australis	REPTILE	Animalia
Pseudonaja mengdeni	REPTILE	Animalia
Pseudonaja modesta	REPTILE	Animalia
Pseudonaja nuchalis	REPTILE	Animalia
Ramphotyphlops ammodytes	REPTILE	Animalia
Ramphotyphlops grypus	REPTILE	Animalia
Simoselaps bertholdi	REPTILE	Animalia
Strophurus strophurus	REPTILE	Animalia
Suta fasciata	REPTILE	Animalia
Tympanocryptis cephala	REPTILE	Animalia
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Varanus tristis tristis	REPTILE	Animalia
Vermicella snelli	REPTILE	Animalia



EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected. Please see the caveat for interpretation of information provided here.

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Matters of National Environment Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the <u>Administrative Guidelines on Significance</u>.

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar	None
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	None
Listed Threatened Species:	9
Listed Migratory Species:	9

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/heritage

A <u>permit</u> may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

Commonwealth Lands:	1
Commonwealth Heritage Places:	None
Listed Marine Species:	13
Whales and Other Cetaceans:	None
Critical Habitats:	None
Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial:	None
Australian Marine Parks:	None
Habitat Critical to the Survival of Marine Turtles:	None

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have

State and Territory Reserves:	None
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
EPBC Act Referrals:	2
Key Ecological Features (Marine):	None
Biologically Important Areas:	None
Bioregional Assessments:	None
Geological and Bioregional Assessments:	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Listed Threatened Species		[Resource Information]
Status of Conservation Dependent and Ex Number is the current name ID.	xtinct are not MNES unde	er the EPBC Act.
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
BIRD		
Calidris ferruginea		
Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Erythrotriorchis radiatus		
Red Goshawk [942]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Falco hypoleucos Grey Falcon [929]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Polytelis alexandrae		
Princess Parrot, Alexandra's Parrot [758]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rostratula australis		
Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
MAMMAL		
Dasyurus hallucatus		
Northern Quoll, Digul [Gogo-Yimidir], Wijingadda [Dambimangari], Wiminji [Martu] [331]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Macroderma gigas		
Ghost Bat [174]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Rhinonicteris aurantia (Pilbara form)		
Pilbara Leaf-nosed Bat [82790]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text	
REPTILE			
<u>Liasis olivaceus barroni</u>			
Olive Python (Pilbara subspecies) [66699]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area	

		within area
Listed Migratory Species		[Resource Information]
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Migratory Marine Birds		
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Migratory Terrestrial Species		
Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla cinerea		
Grey Wagtail [642]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla flava		
Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Migratory Wetlands Species		
Actitis hypoleucos		
Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris acuminata		
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea		
Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris melanotos		
Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Charadrius veredus		
Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882]		Species or species habitat may occur within area

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Commonwealth Lands [Resource Information]

The Commonwealth area listed below may indicate the presence of Commonwealth land in this vicinity. Due to the unreliability of the data source, all proposals should be checked as to whether it impacts on a Commonwealth area, before making a definitive decision. Contact the State or Territory government land department for further information.

Commonwealth Land Name	State
Unknown	
Commonwealth Land - [51015]	WA

Listed Marine Species		[Resource Information
Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Bird		
Actitis hypoleucos Common Sandpiper [59309]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Apus pacificus		
Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area
Bubulcus ibis as Ardea ibis		
Cattle Egret [66521]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Calidris acuminata		
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea		
Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Calidris melanotos		
Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Chalcites osculans as Chrysococcyx of	osculans	
Black-eared Cuckoo [83425]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area overfly marine area

Scientific Name	Threatened Category	Presence Text
Charadrius veredus	3 ,	
Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Hirundo rustica		
Barn Swallow [662]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Merops ornatus		
Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Motacilla cinerea		
Grey Wagtail [642]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Motacilla flava		
Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly marine area
Rostratula australis as Rostratula bengha	alensis (sensu lato)	
Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area overfly

Extra Information

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EPBC Act Referrals			[Resource Information]
Title of referral	Reference	Referral Outcome	Assessment Status
Controlled action			
Turee Syncline Iron Ore Project	2012/6391	Controlled Action	Post-Approval
Not controlled action			
Improving rabbit biocontrol: releasing another strain of RHDV, sthrn two	2015/7522	Not Controlled Action	Completed

marine area

Caveat

1 PURPOSE

This report is designed to assist in identifying the location of matters of national environmental significance (MNES) and other matters protected by the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) which may be relevant in determining obligations and requirements under the EPBC Act.

The report contains the mapped locations of:

- World and National Heritage properties;
- Wetlands of International and National Importance;
- Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves;
- distribution of listed threatened, migratory and marine species;
- listed threatened ecological communities; and
- other information that may be useful as an indicator of potential habitat value.

2 DISCLAIMER

This report is not intended to be exhaustive and should only be relied upon as a general guide as mapped data is not available for all species or ecological communities listed under the EPBC Act (see below). Persons seeking to use the information contained in this report to inform the referral of a proposed action under the EPBC Act should consider the limitations noted below and whether additional information is required to determine the existence and location of MNES and other protected matters.

Where data are available to inform the mapping of protected species, the presence type (e.g. known, likely or may occur) that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. It is the responsibility of any person using or relying on the information in this report to ensure that it is suitable for the circumstances of any proposed use. The Commonwealth cannot accept responsibility for the consequences of any use of the report or any part thereof. To the maximum extent allowed under governing law, the Commonwealth will not be liable for any loss or damage that may be occasioned directly or indirectly through the use of, or reliance

3 DATA SOURCES

Threatened ecological communities

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are generated based on information contained in recovery plans, State vegetation maps and remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been discerned through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, distributions are inferred from either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc.) together with point locations and described habitat; or modelled (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using

Where little information is available for a species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc.).

In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More detailed distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions

4 LIMITATIONS

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in this report:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered vagrants;
- some recently listed species and ecological communities;
- some listed migratory and listed marine species, which are not listed as threatened species; and
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in Australia in small numbers.

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- listed migratory and/or listed marine seabirds, which are not listed as threatened, have only been mapped for recorded
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

The breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

Refer to the metadata for the feature group (using the Resource Information link) for the currency of the information.

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- -Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, South Australia
- -Department of Land and Resource Management, Northern Territory
- -Department of Environmental and Heritage Protection, Queensland
- -Department of Parks and Wildlife, Western Australia
- -Environment and Planning Directorate, ACT
- -Birdlife Australia
- -Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme
- -Australian National Wildlife Collection
- -Natural history museums of Australia
- -Museum Victoria
- -Australian Museum
- -South Australian Museum
- -Queensland Museum
- -Online Zoological Collections of Australian Museums
- -Queensland Herbarium
- -National Herbarium of NSW
- -Royal Botanic Gardens and National Herbarium of Victoria
- -Tasmanian Herbarium
- -State Herbarium of South Australia
- -Northern Territory Herbarium
- -Western Australian Herbarium
- -Australian National Herbarium, Canberra
- -University of New England
- -Ocean Biogeographic Information System
- -Australian Government, Department of Defence
- Forestry Corporation, NSW
- -Geoscience Australia
- -CSIRO
- -Australian Tropical Herbarium, Cairns
- -eBird Australia
- -Australian Government Australian Antarctic Data Centre
- -Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory
- -Australian Government National Environmental Science Program
- -Australian Institute of Marine Science
- -Reef Life Survey Australia
- -American Museum of Natural History
- -Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Inveresk, Tasmania
- -Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
- -Other groups and individuals

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Appendix 2: Likelihood of occurrence criteria for flora and fauna species

Likelihood of occurrence criteria for flora and fauna species:

- Likelihood: Previously recorded
 - The species has previously been recorded within study area from DEC database search results and/or from previous surveys of the study area, and/or the species has been confirmed through a current vouchered specimen at WA Herbarium.
- Likelihood: Likely
 - The species has not previously been recorded from within the study area. However:
 - The species has been recorded in proximity (<10 km) to the study area and occurs in similar habitat to that which occurs within the study area.
 - Core habitat and suitable landforms for the species occurs within the study area
 either year-round or seasonally. In relation to fauna species, this could be that a
 host plant is seasonally present on site, or habitat features such as caves are
 present that may be used during particular times during its life cycle e.g. for
 breeding. In relation to both flora and fauna species, it may be there are seasonal
 wetlands present.
 - There is a medium to high probability that a species uses the study area.
- Likelihood: Potential
 - The species has not previously been recorded from within the study area. However:
 - Targeted surveys may locate the species based on records occurring in proximity to the study area (10-20 km) and suitable habitat occurring in the study area.
 - The study area has been assessed as having potentially suitable habitat through habitat modelling.
 - The species is known to be cryptic and may not have been detected despite extensive surveys.
 - The species is highly mobile and has an extensive foraging range so may not have been detected during previous surveys.
 - The species has been recorded in the study area by a previous consultant survey or there is historic evidence of species occurrence within the study area. However:
 - Doubt remains over taxonomic identification, or the majority of habitat does not appear suitable (although presence cannot be ruled out due to factors such as species ecology or distribution).
 - Coordinates are doubtful.
- Likelihood: Unlikely
 - The species has been recorded locally through DBCA database searches. However, it has not been recorded within the study area and:
 - It is unlikely to occur due to the site lacking critical habitat, having at best marginally suitable habitat, and/or being severely degraded.
 - It is unlikely to occur due to few historic record/s and no other current collections in the local area.

Desktop, Reconnaissance and Targeted Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Habitat assessment, Paraburdoo NVCP Supporting Report

- The species has been recorded within the bioregion based on literature review but has not been recorded locally or within the study area through DBCA database searches.
- The species has not been recorded in the study area despite adequate survey efforts, such as a standardised methodology or targeted searching within potentially suitable habitat.

Appendix 3: Vegetation structural classification and condition rating scale

Vegetation structural classification^

Stratum 70 - 100% 3		30 – 70%	10 – 30%	2 – 10%	< 2%	
Trees over 30 m	Tall closed forest	Tall open forest	Tall woodland	Tall open woodland	Scattered tall trees	
Trees 10-30 m	Closed forest	Open forest	Woodland	Open woodland	Scattered trees	
Trees under 10 m	Low closed forest	Low open forest	Low woodland	Low open woodland	Scattered low trees	
Shrubs over 2 m	Tall closed scrub	Tall open scrub	Tall shrubland	Tall open shrubland	Scattered tall shrubs	
Shrubs 1-2 m	Closed heath	Open heath	Shrubland	Open shrubland	Scattered shrubs	
Shrubs under 1 m	Low closed heath	Low open heath	Low shrubland	Low open shrubland	Scattered low shrubs	
Hummock grasses	Closed hummock grassland	Hummock grassland	Open hummock grassland	Very open hummock grassland	Scattered hummock grasses	
Grasses, Sedges, Herbs	Closed tussock grassland / sedgeland / herbland	Tussock grassland / sedgeland / herbland	Open tussock grassland / sedgeland / herbland	Very open tussock grassland / sedgeland / herbland	Scattered tussock grasses / sedges / herbs	

[^]Based on Muir (1977) and Aplin's (1979) modification of the vegetation classification system of Specht (1970).

Vegetation condition scale rating for use on Pilbara surveys^

Rating	Description
Excellent	Pristine or nearly so; no obvious signs of damage caused by human activities since European settlement.
Very Good	Some relatively slight signs of damage caused by human activities since European settlement. For example, some signs of damage to tree trunks caused by repeated fire, the presence of some relatively non-aggressive weeds, or occasional vehicle tracks.
Good	More obvious signs of damage caused by human activities since European settlement, including some obvious impact on the vegetation structure such as that caused by low levels of grazing or slightly aggressive weeds.
Poor	Still retains basic vegetation structure or ability to regenerate it after very obvious impacts of activities of human activities since European settlement, such as grazing, partial clearing, frequent fires or aggressive weeds.
Degraded	Severely impacted by grazing, very frequent fires, clearing or a combination of these activities. Scope for some regeneration but not to a state approaching good condition without intensive management. Usually with a number of weed species present including very aggressive species.
Completely Degraded	Areas that are completely or almost completely without native species in the structure of their vegetation; i.e. areas that are cleared or 'parkland cleared' with their flora comprising weed or crop species with isolated native trees or shrubs.

[^]Based on Trudgen (1998) as presented in EPA Technical Guidance (EPA 2016a).



Appendix 4: Field site – Relevé

SITE ID	EASTING	NORTHING	DATE	SITE TYPE	SITE	LANDFORM	SOIL TYPE	SOIL	TIME SINCE	VEG DESC UPPER STRATUM	M VEG DESC MIDDLE	VEG DESC LOWER STRATUM	/ VEG COND	DISTURBANCE TYPES
					DIMENSIONS			COLOUR	LAST FIRE		STRATUM			
R01	569105	7435273	30/03/2023	Relevé	50x50m	Plain	Clay/sand	Red/brown	>10 years ago	Acacia citrinoviridis tall sparse shrubland	Acacia tetragonophylla and Eremophilla cuneifolio mid sparse shrubland	grassland	Poor	Weeds, tracks, cattle, litter, previous clearing, infrastructure (powerlines and water bore)

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Appendix 5: Field survey flora results

FAMILY	GENUS	SPECIES	INFRA RANK	INFRA NAME	FULL NAME	VERNACULAR NATURALIS	E COVEI	R HEIGHT
Aizoaceae	Trianthema	triquetrum			Trianthema triquetrum	Red Spinach	0.1	0.1
Amaranthaceae	Aerva	javanica			Aerva javanica	Kapok Bush *	0.1	0.4
Amaranthaceae	Ptilotus	exaltatus			Ptilotus exaltatus	Tall Mulla Mulla	0.1	0.1
Caryophyllaceae	Polycarpaea	longiflora			Polycarpaea Iongiflora	-	0.1	0.2
Chenopodiaceae	Enchyleana	tomentosa			Enchylaena tomentosa	Ballier Saltbush	0.1	0.25
Chenopodiaceae	Maireana	sp.			Maireana sp. (indet.)	-	0.1	0.3
Chenopodiaceae	Salsola	australis			Salsola australis	-	0.1	0.2
Cleomaceae	Arivela	viscosa			Arivela viscosa	-	0.1	0.15
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia	australis	var.	subtomentosa	Euphorbia australis var. subtomentosa	-	0.1	0.15
Fabaceae	Acacia	citrinoviridis			Acacia citrinoviridis	-	6	5
Fabaceae	Acacia	synchronicia			Acacia synchronicia	-	0.1	3.5
Fabaceae	Acacia	tetragonophylla	1		Acacia tetragonophyllo	Kurara	1	2
Fabaceae	Indigofera	monophylla			Indigofera monophylla	-	0.1	0.3
Fabaceae	Senna	artemisioides	subsp	. oligophylla	Senna artemisioides subsp. oligophylla	-	0.1	0.3
Fabaceae	Tephrosia	NW Eremaean (S. van Leeuwen et al. PBS 0356)			Tephrosia sp. NW Eremaean (S. van Leeuwen et al. PBS 0356)	-	0.1	0.25
Fabaceae	Tephrosia	rosea	var.	Fortescue creeks (M.I.H. Brooker 2186)	Tephrosia rosec var. Fortescue creeks (M.I.H. Brooker 2186)	1 -	0.1	0.45

FAMILY	GENUS	SPECIES	INFRA INFRA NAME RANK	A NAME	FULL NAME	VERNACULAR NATURALISE COVER HEIGHT		
Goodeniaceae	Goodenia	forrestii			Goodenia forrestii	-	0.1	0.15
Malvaceae	?Malvaceae	americanum			Malvastrum americanum	Spiked * Malvastru	0.1	0.5
Malvaceae	Corchorus	crozophorifoliu	s		Corchorus crozophorifolius	- S	0.1	1.5
Nyctaginaceae	Boerhavia	?coccinea			Boerhavia ? coccinea	-	0.1	0.1
Poaceae	Aristida	contorta			Aristida contorta	Bunched Kerosene Grass	0.1	0.2
Poaceae	Cenchrus	ciliaris			Cenchrus ciliaris	s Buffel Grass *	10	0.4
Poaceae	Cenchrus	setiger			Cenchrus setiger	Birdwood * Grass	30	0.5
Poaceae	Cynodon	dactylon			Cynodon dactylon	Couch *	0.1	CR
Poaceae	Dactylocteniui	m radulans			Dactyloctenium radulans	Button Grass	0.1	0.1
Poaceae	Enneapogon	caerulescens			Enneapogon caerulescens	Limestone Grass	0.1	0.2
Poaceae	Sporobolus	australasicus			Sporobolus australasicus	Fairy Grass	0.1	0.15
Portulacaceae	Portulaca	sp.			Portulaca sp. (indet.)	-	0.1	0.15
Proteaceae	Grevillia	berryana			Grevillea berryana	-	0.1	6
Scrophulariaceae	Eremophila	cuneifolia			Eremophila cuneifolia	Pinyuru	2	2
Scrophulariaceae	: Eremophila	forrestii			Eremophila forrestii	Wilcox Bush	0.1	1
Solanaceae	Solanum	horridum			Solanum horridum	-	0.1	0.15
Zygophyllaceae	Tribulus	suberosus			Tribulus suberosus	-	0.1	0.15
Zygophyllaceae	Tribulus	terrestris			Tribulus terrestris	Caltrop	0.1	0.1
Zygophyllaceae	Tribulus	terrestris			Tribulus	Caltrop	0.1	0.1