Annual Compliance Report

Roe Highway and Great Eastern Highway Bypass Grade Separation Interchange
EPBC Approval 2020/8784

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Declaration of Accuracy

In making this declaration, I am aware that sections 490 and 491 of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) make it an offence in certain circumstances to knowingly provide false or misleading information or documents. The offence is punishable on conviction by imprisonment or a fine, or both. I declare that all the information and documentation supporting this compliance report is true and correct in every particular. I am authorised to bind the approval holder to this declaration and that I have no knowledge of that authorisation being revoked at the time of making this declaration.

Signed Martine Scheltema (approval holder)

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Description of Activities

Main Roads Western Australia (Main Roads) (ABN: 50 860 676 021) proposes to upgrade Roe Highway and Great Eastern Highway Bypass intersection, Hazelmere, WA (the Project), including:

- Grade separation at the intersection of Roe Highway and Great Eastern Highway Bypass
- Upgrade of Roe Highway (between Kalamunda Road and Clayton Street) including a duplication of the bridge over the Helena River
- Principal Shared Paths connection south to Kalamunda Road and 300 m north of Clayton Street.

These upgrades will improve safety and freight efficiencies along routes that are currently very congested.

The Action has not commenced and, as such, no construction or clearing activities were undertaken during this current reporting period (4 June 2025 to 3 June 2026) or the previous reporting period (4 June 2024 to 3 June 2025).

Main Roads has however commenced implementing the Offset Strategy during the reporting period. Offset activities undertaken during the reporting period consisted of:

- Revegetation works at Neaves Road:
    - Weed management
    - Ground preparation prior to planting
    - Installation of boundary fencing.
- Dieback mapping at Neaves Road, Crossman, Hoffman, Cowalla and Boallia.

1.2 Location of the Approved Action

The location of the approved action is in Figure 1.

1.3 EPBC 2020/8784 Approval Background

The Project was referred to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) on 7 September 2020 for assessment under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act). The Project was determined to be a Controlled Action on 12 October 2020 due to its potential impacts on listed threatened species and communities.

On 25 May 2022 the Department approved a variation of the Proposal to take Action under Section 156B of the EPBC Act to realign the development envelope and the siting of infrastructure. This amendment was presented within the Preliminary Documentation. The Project was assessed at the Preliminary Documentation (PD) level of assessment. Conditional approval for the Project was granted on 4 June 2024 (EPBC approval number 2020/8784).

1.4 Purpose of this Report

This Annual Compliance Report (ACR) has been produced to satisfy Condition 27 of approval EPBC 2020/8784 and covers the period from 4 June 2025 to 3 June 2026.

This is the second ACR for this project and it assesses compliance with all conditions of the approval. All ACRs for this project will be published on the Main Roads website.

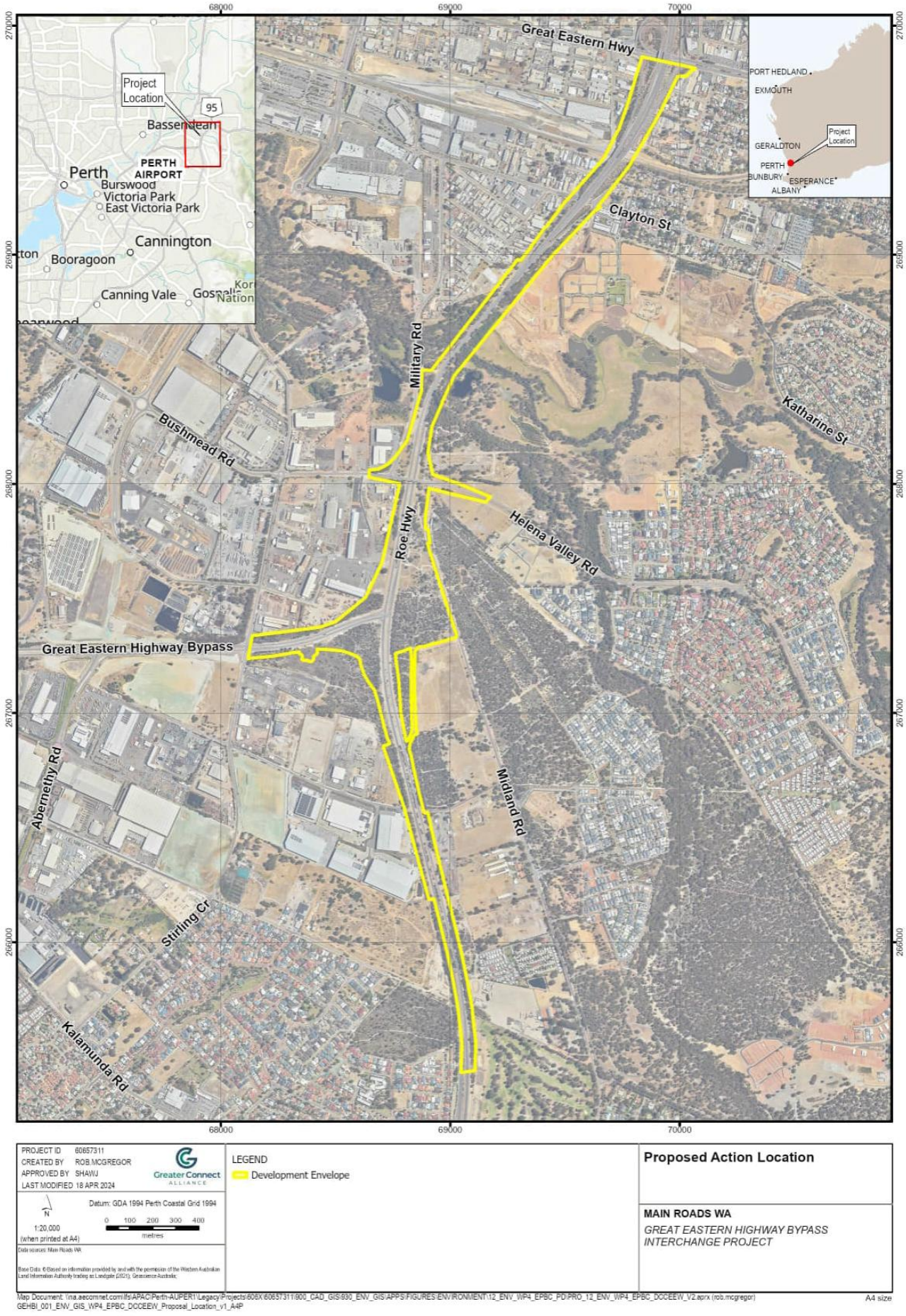

Figure 1. Location of Approved Action

2 Summary of Compliance

The Project was found to be fully compliant with the requirements of EPBC Approval 2020/8784.

Appendix A of this report details the Project's compliance with regard to each approval condition over the 12-month reporting period: 4 June 2025 to 3 June 2026.

If a condition falls outside of the scope of the current reporting period it is considered "Not Applicable" (N/A). A condition is "In Progress" when waiting for a response from the Department.

Conditions deemed "Completed" are shaded grey.

2.1 Subsidiary plans

Condition 11 of EPBC 2020/8784 requires the preparation and implementation of Great Eastern Highway Bypass Interchange Offset Management Plan. Condition 11 requires Main Roads to implement the plan no later than 6 months after the commencement of the Action.

Although Main Roads has initiated some preliminary works at offset sites, formal implementation of the plan has not yet commenced as the Action has not commenced.

2.2 New Environmental Risks

No new environmental risks for the project have been identified during the reporting period.

Appendix A - Compliance with Conditions of EPBC Approval 2020/8784 – Audit Table

Compliance with Conditions of EPBC Approval 2020/8784 – Audit Table

Cond No.	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
1	The approval holder must not take the Action outside of the **Action area**.	Compliant	The Action has not commenced. No clearing of native vegetation has been undertaken for the project to date.
2	The approval holder must not **clear** more than: a) 14.94 hectares (ha) of **Banksia TEC**, b) 36.54 ha of **black cockatoo habitat** for **Carnaby's Black Cockatoo**, **Baudin's Black Cockatoo** and **Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo**, c) 162 individual **black cockatoo potential breeding trees**, or d) 2.62 ha of **potentially suitable habitat for Wavy-leaved Smokebush**.	Compliant	The Action has not commenced. No clearing of native vegetation has been undertaken for the project to date.
3	The approval holder must not **clear** any: a) **Shrublands TEC**, or b) Black cockatoo nest hollow tree.	Compliant	The Action has not commenced. No clearing of native vegetation has been undertaken for the project to date.
4.	The approval holder must not cause a reduction in **habitat quality** of: a) Shrublands TEC, b) **Banksia TEC** outside of the **Action area**, or **Carter's Freshwater Mussel.**	Compliant	The Action has not commenced.
5.	The approval holder must immediately arrange for veterinary care or assistance from an experienced **wildlife expert** if any **black cockatoo** individual is found injured within the **Action area**.	Compliant	No injured black cockatoos have been recorded within the Action area.
6.	To avoid and mitigate **harm** to **black cockatoos**, **Banksia TEC**, **Wavy-leaved Smokebush**, **Shrublands TEC** and **Carter's Freshwater Mussel** the approval holder must commence implementing all avoidance, mitigation and management measures specified in Table 19 of the **Preliminary Documentation** from the **commencement of the Action** and continue to implement these measures until at least three years after **construction** is completed.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
7.	To avoid and mitigate **harm** from the impacts of the spread of **dieback**, the approval holder must obtain and submit to the **department** up-to-date **dieback** mapping of the **protectable area** (see Attachment A6), two	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced. The Action is expected to commence in Q3 2027.

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	months prior to commencement of the Action and subsequently every 6 months following **construction** and continue to implement these measures until three years after **construction** is completed. The approval holder must use the most recent **dieback** mapping of the **protectable area** to inform the **dieback**-related measures described in Table 19 of the **Preliminary Documentation**.		
8.	To avoid and mitigate **harm** to **black cockatoos**, **Banksia TEC**, **Wavy-leaved Smokebush**, **Shrublands TEC** and **Carter's Freshwater Mussel** the approval holder must ensure earth moving machinery is **clean on entry** before commencing clearing within the **clean on entry locations**. No known **dieback** or weed-affected soil, mulch, fill, or other material is to be brought into these **clean on entry locations**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.

9.	To compensate for the residual significant impacts of the Action on **black cockatoos** and **Banksia TEC** the approval holder must commence implementing the **Offset Strategy** no later than **commencement of the Action** and continue to implement the **Offset Strategy** at least until the expiry of this approval.	Compliant	The Action has not commenced, however; Main Roads has commenced the implementation of preliminary works in regard to the Offset Strategy:
			• Revegetation works at Neaves Road;
			  ○ Weed management
			  ○ Ground preparation prior to planting
			  ○ Installation of boundary fencing.
			• Dieback mapping at Neaves Road, Crossman, Hoffman, Cowalla and Boallia.

10.	To compensate for the remaining residual significant impacts of the Action on **Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoos**, the approval holder must, no more than one year after the **commencement of the Action**, contribute at least $200,000 in funding to a **Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo research or educational program**, that has been approved by the **Minister** in writing. Financial documentation providing evidence of payment for the approved **Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo research or educational program** must be provided to the **Minister** within 3 months of this expenditure.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.

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11.	To compensate for the residual significant impacts of the Action on **black cockatoos** and **Banksia TEC** the approval holder must commence implementing the **Offset Management Plan** in respect of each of the **offset sites** as specified in the **Offset Strategy** no later than 6 months after the **commencement of the Action** and continue to implement the **Offset Management Plan** at least until the expiry of this approval.	Compliant	The Action has not commenced, however; Main Roads has commenced implementing preliminary works in regard to the Offset Strategy:
			• Revegetation works at Neaves Road
			  ○ Weed management
			  ○ Ground preparation prior to planting
			  ○ Installation of boundary fencing
			• Dieback mapping at Neaves Road, Crossman, Hoffman, Cowalla and Boallia.
			
			A Heritage Risk Assessment identified Aboriginal heritage values within a section of the Neaves Road offset site. The risk assessment determined that no ground disturbance was permitted within the boundaries of the heritage areas. Revegetation work within those areas has been amended to undertake revegetation that avoids ground disturbance.
			
			Although there have been some amendments made to the revegetation methodology in those areas, the changes undertaken are not material to achieving the outcomes required at the offset site.

12.	The approval holder must **control** the **offset sites** within 12 months of the date of the **commencement of the action**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
13.	The approval holder must legally **secure** the **offset sites** within 24 months of the **commencement of the action**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced. All offset sites have been purchased and are currently held in freehold title by either Main Roads or DBCA, or have already been incorporated into the DBCA conservation estate. These sites will be afforded long-

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			term security and actively managed to protect and enhance conservation values. Neaves Road has been purchased by Main Roads as a revegetation offset, with the majority of the site designated as Bush Forever under State Planning Policy 2.8. Cowalla, Boallia, Hoffman, and Crossman offset sites were all purchased by DBCA with funding provided by Main Roads. The Crossman site is now within the DBCA conservation estate, while the remaining sites will be formally transferred into the estate once land management agreements/MoUs between Main Roads and DBCA are finalised.
14.	To ensure that the offsets required for **black cockatoos** and **Banksia TEC** provide a conservation gain in accordance with the **Environmental Offsets Policy**, the approval holder must: a) achieve all completion criteria specified in the **Offset Management Plan** within 20 years of the **commencement of the Action**, b) achieve each **offset outcome** for each **offset site** and **protected matter**, as determined using the habitat scoring system specified for that **offset outcome** in the second from right hand column of Attachment C and by the date specified to achieve that offset outcome in the right-hand column of Attachment C, and c) Once each **offset outcome** has been achieved, the approval holder must maintain or exceed each **offset outcome** at least until the expiry date of this approval.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
15.	The approval holder must, within 40 **business days** of the 5th anniversary of the **commencement of the Action**: a) have each **offset site** assessed by an **independent suitably qualified ecologist** to determine if each **offset outcome** is likely to be achieved by the date specified in the right-hand column of Attachment C for that **offset outcome** to be achieved,	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.

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	b) submit to the **department** a report prepared by the **independent suitably qualified ecologist** detailing the areas and condition of **black cockatoo habitat** and **Banksia TEC** present in the month prior to the 5th anniversary of the **commencement of the Action** in each **offset site**, and c) notify the **department** in writing of any **offset outcome** at any **offset site** that the **independent suitably qualified ecologist** considers is unlikely to be achieved and the likely reasons that this/these **offset outcomes** are unlikely to be achieved.		
16.	The approval holder must submit all **plans** required by these conditions electronically to the **department**.	Compliant	Main Roads submitted electronically the Preliminary Documentation, including the Offset Strategy and Offset Management Plan, to the department on 25 January 2024.
17.	Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the **Minister**, the approval holder must publish each **plan** on the **website** within 20 **business days** of the date the **plan** is approved by the **Minister** in writing.	Compliant	No plans were submitted, nor approved, since the issuing of the EPBC 2020/8784 approval.
18.	The approval holder must keep all **plans** required by these conditions published on the **website** until the expiry date of this approval.	Compliant	To date, Main Roads has kept all plans required by these conditions published on Main Roads' external website (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/projects-initiatives/all-projects/metropolitan/Great-Eastern-Highway-Bypass-Interchanges/).
19.	The approval holder is required to exclude or redact **sensitive ecological data** from **plans** published on the **website** or otherwise provided to a member of the public. If **sensitive ecological data** is excluded or redacted from a **plan**, the approval holder must notify the **department** in writing what exclusions and redactions have been made in the version published on the **website**.	Not Applicable	No sensitive data was required to be excluded or redacted.
20.	The approval holder must notify the **department** electronically of the date of **commencement of the Action**, within 5 **business days** following **commencement of the Action**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.

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21.	The approval holder must not **commence the Action** later than 5 years after the date of this approval decision.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced. The Action is expected to commence within 5 years of the date of this approval decision.
22.	The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete **compliance records**.	Compliant	Main Roads has maintained records in accordance with this condition and their legal obligations under the State Records Act 2000 (Western Australia).
23.	If the **department** makes a request in writing, the approval holder must provide electronic copies of **compliance records** to the **department** within the timeframe specified in the request.	Not Applicable	To date, no request for compliance records has been received.
24.	The approval holder must ensure that any **monitoring data** (including **sensitive ecological data**), surveys, maps and other spatial and metadata required under the conditions of this approval are prepared in accordance with the *Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data,* Commonwealth of Australia 2018, or as otherwise specified by the **Minister** in writing.	Not Applicable	Baseline data was collected during the reporting period; however, the reports are still in preparation, noting the Action hasn't commenced yet.
25.	The approval holder must ensure that any **monitoring data** (including **sensitive ecological data**), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under the conditions of this approval are prepared in accordance with the *Guide to providing maps and boundary data for EPBC Act projects*, Commonwealth of Australia 2021, or as otherwise specified by the **Minister** in writing.	Not Applicable	Baseline data was collected during the reporting period; however, the reports are still in preparation, noting the Action hasn't commenced yet.
26.	The approval holder must submit all **monitoring data** (including **sensitive ecological data**), surveys, maps, other spatial and metadata and all species occurrence record data (sightings and evidence of presence) electronically to the **department** within 60 **business days** of each anniversary of the **commencement of the Action**, or earlier, if in accordance with the requirements of the **Offset Management Plan**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
27.	The approval holder must prepare a **compliance report** for each 12-month period following the date of this approval decision (or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the **Minister**).	Compliant	This compliance report has been prepared to meet this condition.

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28.	Each **compliance report** must be consistent with the *Annual Compliance Report Guidelines*, Commonwealth of Australia 2023.	Compliant	This compliance report has been prepared in accordance with the *Annual Compliance Report Guidelines*, Commonwealth of Australia 2023.
29.	Each **compliance report** must include: a) Accurate and complete details of compliance and any non-compliance with: i each condition attached to this approval decision, ii all commitments made in each **plan**, and iii if any **incident** occurred, each **incident**. b) A schedule of all **plans** in existence in relation to these conditions and accurate and **complete details** of how each **plan** is being implemented.	Compliant	This compliance report covers all conditions of approval. The approval requires one plan, the Offset Management Plan, to be implemented. This plan must be implemented within six months of the Action commencing. A compliance table for the Offset Management Plan will be included within future ACRs once it is required to be implemented.
30.	The approval holder must: a) Publish each **compliance report** on the **website** within 60 **business days** following the end of the 12-month period for which that **compliance report** is required, b) Notify the **department** electronically, within 5 **business days** of the date of publication that a **compliance report** has been published on the **website**, c) Provide the weblink for the **compliance report** in the notification to the **department**, d) Keep all published **compliance reports** required by these conditions on the **website** until the expiry date of this approval, e) Exclude or redact **sensitive ecological data** from **compliance reports** published on the **website** or otherwise provided to a member of the public, f) If **sensitive ecological data** is excluded or redacted from the published version, submit the full **compliance report** to the **department** within 5 **business days** of its publication on the **website** and notify the **department** in writing what exclusions and redactions have been made in the version published on the **website**, and	Compliant	The compliance report has been prepared and submitted to meet this condition. This compliance report will be published on the Main Roads external website within the required timeframe at https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/construction-project-compliance-reports/ (under "Roe Highway and Great Eastern Highway Bypass Grade Separation Interchange").

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	g) On request, make available to the **department** one or more **shapefile** showing all **clearing** of **protected matters**, and/or their habitat, undertaken within the 12-month period at the end of which that compliance report is prepared.		
31.	The approval holder must notify the **department** electronically, within 2 **business days** of becoming aware of any **incident** and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in a **plan**.	Not Applicable	There has not been any incident, potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions, or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans during the reporting period.
32.	The approval holder must specify in the notification: a) Any condition or commitment made in a **plan** which has been or may have been breached, b) A short description of the **incident** and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance, and c) The location (including co-ordinates), date and time of the **incident** and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance.	Not Applicable	There has not been any incident, potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions, or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans during the reporting period.
33.	The approval holder must provide to the **department** in writing, within 12 **business days** of becoming aware of any **incident** and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance, the details of that **incident** and/or potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in a **plan**. The approval holder must specify: a) Any corrective action or investigation which the approval holder has already taken, b) The potential impacts of the **incident** and/or non-compliance, and c) The method and timing of any corrective action that will be undertaken by the approval holder.	Not Applicable	There has not been any incident, potential non-compliance and/or actual non-compliance with the conditions, or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans during the reporting period.
34.	The approval holder must ensure that an **independent audit** of compliance with the conditions is conducted for every five-year period following the **commencement of the Action** until this approval expires (unless otherwise specified in writing by the **Minister**).	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.

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35.	For each **independent audit**, the approval holder must: a) Provide the name and qualifications of the nominated **independent** auditor, the draft audit criteria, and proposed timeframe for submitting the **audit report** to the **department** prior to commencing the **independent audit**, b) Only commence the **independent audit** once the nominated **independent** auditor, audit criteria and timeframe for submitting the **audit report** have been approved in writing by the **department.**	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
36.	Each **audit report** must report for the five-year period preceding that audit report.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
37.	Each **audit report** must be completed to the satisfaction of the **Minister** and be consistent with the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Independent Audit and Audit Report Guidelines*, Commonwealth of Australia 2019.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.
38.	The approval holder must notify the **department** electronically 60 **business days** prior to the expiry date of this approval, that the approval is due to expire.	Not Applicable	The Approval has effect until 6 June 2054.
39.	Within 20 **business days** after the **completion of the Action**, and, in any event, before this approval expires, the approval holder must notify the **department** electronically of the date of **completion of the Action** and provide **completion data.** The approval holder must submit any spatial data that comprises **completion data** as a **shapefile**.	Not Applicable	The Action has not commenced.