

## **Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel Terms of Reference**

These Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel Terms of Reference have been prepared in accordance with Condition 19.4, of Ministerial Statement No. 800 issued by the Western Australian Minister for Environment pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)*. Each of the following elements collectively forms the Terms of Reference (TOR).

### *Preamble*

Ministerial Statement No. 800 requires the Proponent (Chevron Australia Pty Ltd) to establish a Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel to provide advice to the Minister for Environment (the Minister) and to Chevron Australia on matters relating to construction dredging and spoil disposal management and monitoring for the Gorgon Gas Development. Commonwealth Ministerial approval made under Section 133 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Commonwealth)* (EPBC Reference: 2008/4178) requires the Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel to be consulted in relation to various conditions of that approval.

### *Objective*

Provide advice so as to assist the successful planning and execution of the Gorgon Gas Development's construction dredging and spoil disposal program environmental management.

### *Establishment of the CDEEP*

The Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel has been established in accordance with Condition 19.3 of Ministerial Statement No. 800. The appointment of Panel Members, as specified in Annexure 1 of this TOR, formalises the establishment of the Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel.

### *Role of the CDEEP*

In accordance with Condition 19.2 of Ministerial Statement No. 800, and other Conditions of that approval, the role of the Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel is to provide advice to the Proponent and the Minister on construction dredging and spoil disposal management and monitoring including:

1. Development and implementation of the Dredge and Spoil Disposal Management and Monitoring Plan as required by Condition 20;

2. Interpretation of the results of monitoring data acquired during dredging as required by Condition 20.4iii;
3. Proponent's proposed Water Quality Criteria representing the relationship between water quality and coral health as required by Condition 20.4iii e., 21.1 and 21.3;
4. Impact Management Plans required by Condition 21.7v;
5. Post-development Coastal and Marine State Environmental Impact Survey Reports required by Condition 24;
6. Any other aspects of construction dredging and spoil disposal management and monitoring requested by the Proponent or the Minister; and
7. Matters related to the limits set out in Condition 18.1

#### *Other Requirements*

The Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel shall be consulted on and, where stipulated, provide advice with regard to the:

1. Coastal and Marine Baseline State and Environmental Impact Report as required by Condition 14.5 of Ministerial Statement No. 800 and Condition 11 of EPBC Reference: 2008/4178;
2. Dredge and Spoil Disposal Management and Monitoring Plan as required by Condition 14 of EPBC Reference 2008/4178; and
3. Post-Development Coastal and Marine State and Environmental Impact Survey Report as required by Condition 17 of EPBC Reference 2008/4178.

#### *Governance*

The Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel activities and conduct will be undertaken in accordance with the roles and responsibilities defined in Ministerial Statement No. 800, EPBC Reference: 2008/4178, and the Expert Panel Operating Guidelines (Doc Id: G1-NT-GDLX0000101).



Mr Stuart Hicks  
Chairman  
Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel

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## Annexure 1

### Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel

Effective of 5 November 2009 the Construction Dredging Environmental Expert Panel comprises the following Panel Members<sup>1</sup>:

<b>Panel Member's Role</b>	<b>Panel Member</b>	<b>Panel Member's Alternate</b>
Independent Chairperson	Mr Stuart Hicks	
Independent Expert	Dr Desmond Lord	
Independent Expert	Dr James Stoddart	
Agency Subject Matter Expert - DEWHA		
Agency Subject Matter Expert - DEC	Dr Ray Masini	Mr Kevin Crane
Agency Subject Matter Expert - DoF	Ms Julie Lloyd	Ms Rae Burrows
Agency Subject Matter Expert - DPI	Mr Charlie Bicknell	
Proponent Representative	Mr Russell Lagdon	Dr Julia Martin
Proponent Representative	Mr Billy Cash	Mr Geoff Prior
Proponent Representative	Mr Shane Waldeck	Dr Stephanie Turner

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<sup>1</sup> Note: This membership may be changed from time to time, in accordance with the provisions of the Operating Guidelines for Expert Panels (Doc. id G1-NT-GDLX0000101).