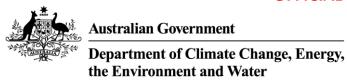
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# Notification of variation of proposed to take action under section 156A of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)

# Mulga Downs Iron Ore Mine, Western Australia (EPBC 2022/09255)

The delegate of the Minister has accepted the variation to the proposal in accordance with section 156B of the EPBC Act.

# **Proposed action**

designated proponent	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd
	ABN: 69008676417
original proposed	To construct and operate a new iron ore mine (above and below water
action	table) and associated works, including vegetation clearing, 210 km south
	of Port Hedland and 180 km north-west of Newman in the Pilbara
	Region, Western Australia (see EPBC Act referral 2022/09255).
varied proposed	To construct and operate a new iron ore mine (above and below water
action	table) and associated works, including vegetation clearing, and excluding
	the Mulga West bore field, 210 km south of Port Hedland and 180 km
	north-west of Newman in the Pilbara Region, Western Australia (see
	EPBC Act referral 2022/09255).
variation	To remove the Mulga West bore field, and all supporting infrastructure
	associated with the bore field, from the proposed action.
	To decrease the extent of the proposed action area from 39,010.21 ha to
	25,583.8 ha (a reduction of 13,426.4 ha) and decrease the disturbance
	footprint from 9,705.5 ha to 9,369.1 ha (a reduction of 336.4 ha).

Variation decision: approved

### Person authorised to make decision

name and position	Kylie Calhoun
	Branch Head
	Environment Assessments West Branch
signature	Kylie Cal
date of decision	16 February 2024