



Environmental Protection Authority

Referral of a Proposal by A Third Party to the Environmental Protection Authority under Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

**EPA REFERRAL
FORM
THIRD PARTY**

PURPOSE OF THIS FORM

Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) provides that any person may refer a significant proposal (one that is likely to have a significant effect on the environment) to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for a decision on whether or not it requires assessment under the EP Act. This form sets out the information requirements for the referral of a proposal by a third party.

Referrers are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the EPA's *General Guide on Referral of Proposals* [see Environmental Impact Assessment/Referral of Proposals and Schemes] before completing this form.

A referral under section 38(1) by a third party to the EPA must be made on this form. This form will be treated as a referral even though a third party may not be able to provide sufficient information on the proposal to enable to EPA to make a decision on whether or not to assess the proposal. Generally, the EPA will obtain additional project information from the proponent. The referral form and proponent information will be made available for public comment for a period of 7 days, prior to the EPA making its decision on whether or not to assess the proposal.

CHECKLIST

Before you submit this form, have you

Yes No

Completed all applicable questions in the form		
Completed the Referrer's Declaration		

Following a review of the information presented in this form, please consider the following question. (A response is Optional)

DO YOU CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES FORMAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT?

YES NO NOT SURE

IF YES, WHAT LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT?

ASSESSMENT ON PROPONENT INFORMATION

PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

THIRD PARTY REFERROR DECLARATION (To be completed by the Referror)

I,, (*full name*) submit this referral to the Environmental Protection Authority for consideration of the environmental significance of its impacts.

Signature	Name (print)
Address	
Date	

1. PROPONENT, PROPOSAL AND LOCATION INFORMATION

1.1 PROPONENT

Name	
Joint Venture parties (if applicable)	
Postal Address	
Key proponent contact for the proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name• Address• Phone• Email	

1.2 PROPOSAL

Title	
Description	

1.3 LOCATION

Name of the Shire in which the proposal is located	
For urban areas – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• street address• lot number• suburb• nearest road intersection	
For remote localities – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• nearest town• distance and direction from that town to the proposal site	

2. POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Use the following list of environmental elements to set out your concerns in relation to the potential impacts of the proposal and in explanation of your judgement that the proposal is significant in terms of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*:

Element of the environment	Potentially significant impact
Flora and vegetation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clearing of native vegetation• Rare or priority flora• Threatened Ecological Communities• Bush Forever	

<p>Fauna</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fauna or fauna habitat • Specially Protected (Threatened) fauna 	
<p>Rivers, creeks, wetlands and estuaries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proximity of development to waterways 	
<p>Significant areas and/or land features</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Park or Nature Reserve • Environmentally sensitive areas • Significant natural land features (caves, ranges, etc) 	
<p>Coastal zone areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proximity of proposed development to coastal area • Significant landforms, eg beach ridge plain • Mangroves 	
<p>Marine areas and biota</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sensitive benthic communities, eg seagrasses, coral reefs, mangroves • Marine conservation reserves • Recreation or commercial fishing areas 	
<p>Water supply and drainage catchments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proclaimed groundwater or surface water protection area • Underground Water Supply and Pollution Control area • Public Drinking Water Supply Area 	
<p>Pollution – discharge of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noise • Vibration • Gaseous emissions • Dust • Liquid effluent • Solid waste 	
<p>Greenhouse gas emissions</p>	
<p>Contamination</p>	
<p>Social surroundings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal ethnographic or archaeological significance • Site of high public interest, eg recreation, scenic • Goods transport affecting amenity 	