



EPBC Ref: 2018/8191

Mr Hamish Manzi
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Dear Mr Manzi

**Request for additional information
North Galilee Water Scheme, Galilee Basin, Qld**

Thank you for submitting a referral under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) concerning the above proposed action.

An initial examination of your referral indicates that there is insufficient information to allow the Department to consider all the relevant issues.

Could you please provide the following further information:

- details of how the proposed action relates to water supply infrastructure approved under EPBC 2010/5736, including but not limited to the proportion of water harvesting that will occur from the Belyando River and the Suttor River;
- provide data to show the seasonal flow regime for the Suttor River at the proposed harvest location;
- a description of geomorphological conditions downstream of the proposed water harvest site. This should include the location of any permanent or semi-permanent pools that may support habitat for matters of national environmental significance;
- details of how the proposed action is likely to impact species and ecological communities downstream of the proposed harvest location. Species that must be considered include, but are not limited to, Brigalow (*Acacia harpophylla* dominant and co-dominant) ecological community, Koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*), Squatter Pigeon (*Geophaps scripta scripta*), and Ornamental Snake (*Denisonia maculate*); and
- a copy of the Queensland Water Licence (reference 617268) including any conditions.

In any correspondence with the Department please quote the title of the action and EPBC reference, as shown at the beginning of this letter.

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Please note that the timing to make a decision on your referral stops on the date of this letter, and restarts once the Department has received satisfactory information and, if not exempt or waived, the invoice has been paid. In the event that the project is determined to be a controlled action, the timing to make a decision on an assessment approach also stops on the date of this letter.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact the project manager, s22 [redacted] by email to s22 [redacted]@environment.gov.au, or telephone 02 s22 [redacted] and quote the EPBC reference number shown at the beginning of this letter

Yours sincerely



James Barker
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