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To: FOI (Shared Mailbox)
Cc: FOI Contact Officer
Subject: FOR RESPONSE by Friday 13 March 2026 - FOI Courtesy Consultation - NOPSEMA - LEX 82209 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
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Dear FOI Coordinator

Freedom of Information request – Courtesy Consultation

The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (**Department**) has received a request seeking access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (**FOI Act**). The applicant sought access to:

'Correspondence about Browse Carbon Capture and Storage referral (EPBC 2024/10028)

1. I write on behalf of [REDACTED]. We represent over 300,000 people from all around the country, and we work to protect and restore our ocean and coastal environments for the benefit of all marine life, and current and future generations.
2. In or about October 2024, Woodside Energy Ltd (**Woodside**) referred the Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) (**the Proposed Action**) for assessment under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (**EPBC Act**).
3. The decision maker is yet to decide if the Proposed Action is a controlled action.

Request for information

4. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth) (**FOI Act**), [REDACTED] requests access to the following documents in the possession of the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (**DCCEEW**):
 - a. any correspondence sent from DCCEEW to Woodside about the Proposed Action; and
 - b. any correspondence sent from the federal Minister for the Environment and Water to Woodside about the Proposed Action.
5. The period for the request is from 15 August 2025 to the date that a decision is made on our request.
6. Our request **excludes**:
 - a. any publicly available information;
 - b. the documents released under FOI request LEX 79714, LEX 80113, or LEX 80689;
 - c. any duplicated correspondence or documents;
 - d. any copies or summaries of public comments received by DCCEEW or the Minister about the Proposed Action;

e. any personal information within the meaning of s 47F of the FOI Act or any personal details for government staff or third parties (including names, job titles or contact details).’

Please find **attached** the documents that we have identified as relating to the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority. (**NOPSEMA**). Please note; as personal information has been excluded from the scope of the FOI request, this information has been redacted, including out of scope information.

I understand that you may have previously been consulted in relation to some of the **attached** documents.

Should NOPSEMA wish to object to the release of any of the information contained within the documents, can you please state the reasons and the exemption(/s) you are seeking under the FOI Act.

While your views will be considered in the decision-making process, the decision-maker is obliged to form their own view regarding the appropriateness of releasing the documents.

In order to meet our legislative timeframe for this request, we would be grateful for your response by no later than **COB Friday 13 March 2026**. If a response is not received within the timeframe requested, it will be deemed that NOPSEMA does not object to the release of the documents and the Department will make a decision on the release of the documents without the benefit of your views.

Please feel free to contact us if you wish to discuss this consultation request further.

Kind regards

FOI Contact Officer

Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

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From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Tuesday, 21 October 2025 4:36:02 PM

To: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Burrup Hub Meeting Minutes - 25 September 2025

Importance: Normal

Sensitivity: None

Attachments:

[MEETING 36 - Burrup Hub - PAP Meeting minutes - 20250925.docx](#)

Hi all,

In preparation for our meeting on Thursday, please find attached the minutes from our last Burrup Hub meeting held on 25 September 2025.

Kind Regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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MEETING 36: Notes from Project Assessment Plan (Burrup Hub Projects) meeting – 25 September 2025

ATTENDEES

Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Woodside:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) / Environmental Protection Authority (EPA): s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| Previous actions: | | | |
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| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 28.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 30.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 33.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | Woodside | Closed |
| 33.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | Woodside | Ongoing |
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Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) – update and next steps

- DCCEEW is awaiting internal advice and will follow up with Woodside once this advice is received.

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

NOPSEMA

- NOPSEMA had no updates.

| New actions: | | | |
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| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 36.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | On-going |
| 36.2 | | DCCEEW | On-going |
| 36.3 | | Provide Woodside with DCCEEW contact for the Browse CCS project | DCCEEW |

Next meeting 9am AWST 23 October 2025.

From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Fri, 14 Nov 2025 05:06:13

To: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Burrup Hub Meeting 37 Minutes - 23 October 2025 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: Normal

Sensitivity: None

Attachments:

[MEETING 37 - Burrup Hub - PAP Meeting minutes - 20251023.docx](#)

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Dear all,

Please find attached the Burrup Hub PAP meeting minutes from meeting 37 held on 23 October 2025.

Kind regards,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Environment Regulation Division | Environment Assessments West Branch | North WA Section Canberra Office

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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MEETING 37: Notes from Project Assessment Plan (Burrup Hub Projects) meeting – 23 October 2025

ATTENDEES

Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Woodside:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) / Environmental Protection Authority (EPA): s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| Previous actions: | | | |
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| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 28.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 30.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 33.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | Woodside | Ongoing |
| 36.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 36.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 36.3 | Provide Woodside with DCCEEW contact for the Browse CCS Project. | DCCEEW | On-going |

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) – update and next steps

- DCCEEW and Woodside plan to meet in the next week and will discuss updates on the project.

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

NOPSEMA

- NOPSEMA had no updates.

| New actions: | | | |
|--------------|------------------|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 37.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 37.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |

Next meeting 9am AWST 27 November 2025.

From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Wednesday, 17 December 2025 9:35 AM

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Subject: Burrup Hub Meeting 38 Minutes - 27 November 2025

Dear all,

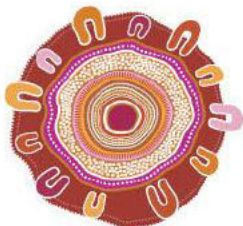
Please find attached the Burrup Hub PAP meeting minutes from meeting 38 held on 27 November 2025.

Kind Regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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MEETING 38: Notes from Project Assessment Plan (Burrup Hub Projects) meeting – 27 November 2025

ATTENDEES

Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Woodside:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) / Environmental Protection Authority (EPA): s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| Previous actions: | | | |
|-------------------|--|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 28.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 30.3 | | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 33.3 | | Woodside | Closed |
| 36.3 | Provide Woodside with DCCEEW contact for the Browse CCS Project. | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 37.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 37.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |

Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) – update and next steps

- Woodside have been looking at alternate pathways for Browse CCS.
- DCCEEW to have a meeting with Woodside regarding Browse CCS.

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NOPSEMA

- NOPSEMA had no updates.

| New actions: | | | |
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| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 38.1 | DCCEEW to have a meeting with Woodside regarding Browse CCS and to discuss different pathways. | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 38.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |

Next meeting 9am AWST 18 December 2025.

From s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Tue, 6 Jan 2026 05:53:13

To: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Burrup Hub Meeting 39 Minutes - 18 December 2025 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: Normal

Sensitivity: None

Attachments:

MEETING 39 - Burrup Hub - PAP Meeting minutes - 20251218.docx;

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Hello all,

Please find attached the Burrup Hub PAP meeting minutes from meeting 39 held on 18 December 2025.

Kind regards,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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MEETING 39: Notes from Project Assessment Plan (Burrup Hub Projects) meeting – 18 December 2025

ATTENDEES

Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Woodside:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) / Environmental Protection Authority (EPA): **s. 22(1)(a)(ii)**

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| Previous actions: | | | |
|-------------------|--|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 28.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 30.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 36.3 | Provide Woodside with DCCEEW contact for the Browse CCS Project. | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 37.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 37.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 38.1 | regarding Browse CCS and to discuss different pathways. | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 38.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Closed |

Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) – update and next steps

- DCCEEW to meet with Woodside and provide clarity to Woodside regarding the new reforms.

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

NOPSEMA

- NOPSEMA had no updates.

| New actions: | | | |
|--------------|---|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 39.1 | DCCEEW to provide Woodside information regarding the new reforms. | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 39.2 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 39.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | Woodside | Ongoing |
| 39.4 | | Woodside | Ongoing |

Next meeting 9am AWST 15 January 2026.

From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Monday, 9 February 2026 2:38:40 PM

To: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Burrup Hub Meeting 40 Minutes - 15 January 2026

Importance: Normal

Sensitivity: None

Attachments:

[MEETING 40 - Burrup Hub - PAP Meeting minutes - 20260115.docx;](#)

Hi all,

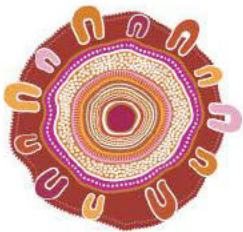
Please find attached the Burrup Hub PAP meeting minutes from meeting 40 held on 15 January 2026.

Kind Regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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MEETING 40: Notes from Project Assessment Plan (Burrup Hub Projects) meeting – 15 January 2026

ATTENDEES

Australian Government Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW):

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Woodside:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA):
Nil.

Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) / Environmental Protection Authority (EPA): s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| Previous actions: | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 30.3 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 37.1 | | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 37.2 | | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 39.1 | | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 39.2 | | DCCEEW | Closed |
| 39.3 | | Woodside | Closed |
| 39.4 | | Woodside | Closed |

Browse Carbon Capture and Storage Project (EPBC 2024/10028) – update and next steps

- DCCEEW to provide Woodside with any information/what is required for Section 146N.

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

| New actions: | | | |
|--------------|------------------|-----------|---------|
| Number | Item Description | Action by | Status |
| 40.1 | s. 22(1)(a)(ii) | DCCEEW | Ongoing |
| 40.2 | | Woodside | Ongoing |

Next meeting 9am AWST 26 February 2026.

From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Tue, 10 Feb 2026 03:49:18
To: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: Cancellation of PAP meeting today [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

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From: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Thursday, 28 August 2025 11:33 AM
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Cc: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) @dcceew.gov.au> s. 22(1)(a)(ii) @dcceew.gov.au>
Subject: Cancellation of PAP meeting today

Dear all,

We have cancelled today's PAP meeting as urgent business has come up.

s. 22(1)(a)(ii) will call you this afternoon to give you an update on the s. 22(1)(a)(ii) and Browse CCS project.

I apologise for the late notice.

Regards,
s. 22(1)(a)(ii)