

# Response ID ANON-2X79-HZJF-C

Submitted to **Manuwarra Red Dog Highway – Stage 4**

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## Introduction

### 1 What is your name?

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### 5 Preferred option for decision by the EPA

Assess - Public environmental review

### 6 What are the reasons for your preferred option for decision of the EPA?

Reasons:

The following list of items warrant further investigation and public review:

1. The increases in areas to be cleared have increased markedly with little evidence of avoidance or minimisation apparent.
2. The original approval was granted in 1998 and considerably more knowledge of the Pilbara flora and fauna and their habitats has been gained since that time.
3. 22 years since approval of the original proposal warrants further public review given changes in standards and environmental conditions.
4. The changes in standards adopted in the revised proposal warrant public review to establish that their adoption is necessary and appropriate.
5. Improved access to the area will increase the human impact on local national parks and reserves, and together with other cumulative impacts, these considerations do not appear to have been considered in the documentation available.
6. The documentation does not fully address the impact of this linear infrastructure on local and regional drainage. Specifically, it needs to address impacts on surrounding vegetation and on surface- and groundwater-dependent vegetation in the region.
7. There is no discussion on the impact of construction material extraction associated with the construction and the impact of its extraction and transport.

There is inadequate discussion of impacts at a regional scale, particularly the cumulative impact of this project and other large development projects in the Pilbara.

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