Appendix D

Controlled Action Decision

Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

Notification of REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled action

Boggabri Coal Mine SSD 09_0182 Modification 8, NSW (EPBC 2021/8875)

This decision is made under section 75 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

| proposed action | To extend an open-cut mining operation at the Boggabri Coal Mine, Boggabri, NSW. The proposed action includes: increasing the depth of mining from the base of the Merriown Coal Seam down to the Templemore Coal Seam; the continuation of mining until 2039; and the construction of a 50m wide Fauna Movement Crossing overpass, as described in the referral received by the Department on 17 February 2020 (see EPBC Act referral |
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| decision on proposed | 2021/8875). The proposed action is a controlled action. |
| action | The proposed action is a controlled action. |
| | The project will require assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed. |
| relevant controlling provisions | A water resource, in relation to coal seam gas development and large coal mining development (section 24D & 24E). |
| designated proponent | Boggabri Coal Pty Limited |
| | ACN: 122 087 398 |
| assessment approach | The project will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement with New South Wales. |
| Decision-maker | |
| Name and position | Louise Vickery |
| | Assistant Secretary |
| | Environment Assessments (NSW, ACT) Branch |
| Signature | Swie Nickeny May 2021 |
| date of decision | - May 2021 |
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