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**Tutunup Mineral Sands Mine Project Update – EPA State and DAWE Commonwealth Referrals –
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Iluka would like to advise stakeholders that on 11 May 2022 the **Environment Protection Authority (EPA)** completed its review of the Tutunup Mineral Sands Project Section 38 Referral. The level of assessment, via a [Chair’s Determination](#), was set as Environmental Review Document (ERD), also known as Public Environment Review (PER). This is the level of assessment that the Project had anticipated receiving.

The EPA identified the below as the preliminary key environmental factors for the project:

- Flora and Vegetation,
- Terrestrial Fauna,
- Terrestrial Environmental Quality,
- Inland Waters,
- Social Surroundings, and
- Human Health.

Iluka is now preparing the Environmental Scoping Document (ESD) to be developed in collaboration with, and approved by, the EPA. The ESD details additional environmental studies required to inform the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be undertaken for the project. The outcomes of the EIA are used to identify and manage potential direct and indirect impacts to the preliminary key environmental factors that may occur as a result of the Project.

Following the completion of the studies detailed in the ESD, an ERD will be prepared, which includes the outcomes of the EIA, and will be made available for public review and comment. The EPA has set the public review period for six weeks. Iluka will keep stakeholders updated on the public review period commencement date once it is announced by the EPA. If you would like to know more about the ERD process please see the EPA website for further information at: [Step-by-step through the proposal assessment process | EPA Western Australia](#).

The Commonwealth Referral was submitted to the **Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment (DAWE)**, in April 2022. The Minister has yet to decide on the level and method of assessment, however this is expected to be made in the coming weeks. The Minister’s decision will be based on the potential for significant impacts to Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES).

As a stakeholder who may be impacted by, or otherwise have an interest in, the proposed Project activities, we value your input and ask that you contact Iluka for further information or to provide feedback either by email at southwest.community@iluka.com, or telephone on +61 9360 4782.