

Application form

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Site-specific application for a new environmental authority for a prescribed ERA

This is the approved form to make a site-specific application for an environmental authority (EA) under sections 124 and 125 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994 (EP Act) for an environmentally relevant activity (ERA) which is prescribed under section 19 of the EP Act.

For applications to the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, you can apply through Online Services at: <https://business.qld.gov.au/running-business/environment/online-services>.

It is recommended that prior to making an application for a new environmental authority (EA) for an environmentally relevant activity (ERA), you read the information on what to provide with an application. This information is located on the Business Queensland website (formerly the Queensland Government's Business and Industry Portal) at www.business.qld.gov.au (use the search term "Environmental licence"). This website also has a diagnostic tool called the "forms and fees finder" which will help identify any fees and supporting information you need to make an application.

Only use this application form if you are applying for a new environmental authority (EA) where:

- All applicants are registered as suitable operators¹. A suitable operator is a person or a corporation assessed under section 318I of the EP Act as being suitable to carry out an ERA and is listed on the suitable operator register².
- The ERA/s being applied for do not form part of an ERA project under an existing EA.
- If more than one ERA is being applied for, the ERAs must be carried out as part of a single integrated operation:
 - the ERAs will be carried out under the day to day management of a single responsible individual (e.g. a site manager or operations manager); and
 - all of the ERAs are operationally interrelated, that is, the operation cannot function without all of the ERAs. Separate applications will need to be made for the ERAs that cannot be carried out as a single integrated operation; and
 - the ERA/s are, or will be, carried out at one or more places; and
 - the places where the ERAs will be carried out are close enough to make the integrated day to day management of the activities feasible.
- The ERA/s being applied for are prescribed under section 19 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (EP Act).
- The ERA/s being applied for do not require a development permit for a material change of use under the *Planning Act 2016*, unless an application for the required development permit has been made.
- The ERA/s being applied for do not require a State development area approval (SDA approval) under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*, unless an application for the required SDA approval has been made or a current SDA approval is in effect and has not lapsed.
- The application is not to dredge or extract more than 10,000 tonnes of material a year in the North Stradbroke Island region.

¹ Your EA application must be refused if you are not a registered suitable operator when the application is decided. To become a registered suitable operator, apply using the form "Application to be a registered suitable operator - ESR/2015/1771" (available at www.qld.gov.au, using the publication number ESR/2015/1771 as a search term)).

² The register is available on the Queensland Government website at www.qld.gov.au, using the search term "suitable operator register".



If you would like to have a pre-lodgement meeting:

- for prescribed ERAs 2, 3 and 4—contact the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries by email at **livestockregulator@daf.qld.gov.au**
- for any other ERA—please complete and lodge the form “Application for pre-lodgement services” (ESR/2015/1664³), prior to lodging this application for an environmental authority.

³ This application form is available at www.qld.gov.au, using the publication number ESR/2015/1664 as a search term.

The fields marked with an asterisk * are mandatory, if they are not completed then your application may be considered not properly made under section 128 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

1. Applicant details

To nominate a site or application contact for this application please provide details at Questions 14 and 15.

Is there more than one applicant? *	<input type="checkbox"/> No—provide applicant’s details below. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes—provide the principal applicant’s details below and all other applicants’ details in Attachment 1—“ <i>Joint applicants and appointment of principal applicant</i> ”
Name - individual or contact person if applicant is a organisation *	Suitable Operator Reference Number*
Organisation name, including any trading name (*if an organisation)	ABN/ACN (*if an organisation)
Residential or registered business address (not a post office box) *	Phone*
Postal address (if same as above, write “AS ABOVE”)*	Facsimile
Email*	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you want to receive correspondence via email

1.1 Nomination of an agent for this application

I/we nominate the below agent to act on my/our behalf and to receive correspondence relating to this application.

Do you want to nominate an agent for this application? *	
<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to <i>Question 2</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Complete the agent’s details here.	
Name of agent – individual or contact person if agent is an organisation	
Organisation name, including trading name if an organisation	ABN/ACN (if an organisation)
Postal address	Phone
Email	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you do not want to receive correspondence via email

2. Details of the ERA(s) being applied for

Complete the table below by advising which ERA(s) you are applying for. If the ERA has eligibility criteria and standard conditions⁴, identify whether you can comply with them. Select “N/A” where there are no eligibility criteria and standard conditions for that ERA. If you cannot comply with all of the applicable standard conditions, select “no” and attach details of the standard conditions you cannot comply with.

ERA number*	Threshold*	Name of ERA*	I can comply with the eligibility criteria*	I can comply with all the standard conditions*
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

I have attached details of the standard conditions that I cannot comply with.

3. Description of land where the ERA/s will be carried out

Where activities will be undertaken at more than one location, provide details in Appendix 2.

Will the ERA(s) be carried out at a fixed location?*				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes NOTE: If there is more than one location please complete Attachment 2	Number*	Street Name*	Suburb/Town*	Postcode*
	Real Property Description*		Specific area within the location ie GPS or other descriptor*	
	Lot Plan		Project Name (*if applicable)	
	Port (*if applicable)			
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Where there is no fixed location, the location will be recorded as “State of Queensland”			

⁴ ERAs with eligibility criteria and standard conditions are listed at: www.business.qld.gov.au (use the search term “eligibility criteria”).

4. Regulated waste transport ERA(s)

Is your application for an ERA 57 Regulated waste transport?*	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to question 5
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<p>What type of regulated waste will be transported?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Only end-of-life tyres. Go to question 5</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Only other regulated waste. Provide vehicle details below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Both end-of-life tyres and other regulated waste. Provide vehicle details below for the vehicles that transport regulated waste other than end-of-life tyres (i.e. do not provide details for vehicles used to transport only end-of-life tyres).</p>
<p>Provide details below or attach a separate list of the vehicles used for transporting regulated waste other than end-of-life tyres. If the vehicle registration details are not known at the time of application, please insert the number of vehicles and the letters TBA for "to be advised" in the first row (e.g. 5 vehicles TBA).</p> <p>The number of vehicles listed will determine the annual fee. The AES is 1 for each vehicle up to 35 vehicles, and 36 for 36 or more vehicles.</p>	
Type (trailer or vehicle)*	Registration number*

5. Details of contaminated land

Is there a site management plan in effect for contaminated land that relates to the land that is the subject of this application?*		
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 6</i> .	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Description of land*	
	Lot and plan number(s)	
	Local Government Area*	
	Lot	Plan
	Lot	Plan
Lot	Plan	
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6. Existing environmental authorities at the location

Do you have any existing environmental authorities at this location?*		
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 7</i> .	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Existing EA number(s)*	Certification*
		<input type="checkbox"/> I certify that the ERA(s) being applied for do not form part of any existing environmental authority/ies

7. Other related approvals

To avoid the possibility of your environmental authority application being invalid, you need to ensure any other required applications have been made prior to lodging this application. If you are not sure what approvals are required you should contact the planning area of your local government authority or if the area is within a State development area, visit the Department of State Development and Infrastructure website at: <http://www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au> (search for state development area).

Are you required to obtain any of the following approvals to conduct the ERA(s)?*					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A development approval from your Local Government Authority (for ERA/s which may trigger within the local planning scheme the need for an approval under the <i>Planning Act 2016</i>), or An approval for the use of land under the <i>State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971</i>? 					
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 8</i>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Approval name*	Legislation*	Application number*	Date lodged*	Approval status*

8. Environmental offsets

An environmental offset, under the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*, may be required for an ERA where, despite all reasonable measures to avoid and minimise impacts on certain environmental matters, there is still likely to be significant residual impact on one or more of those matters.

You must verify the presence, whether temporary or permanent, of those environmental matters. For more information refer to the Queensland Environmental Offsets Policy and the Significant Residual Impact Guideline at the Queensland Government website at www.qld.gov.au, using the search term "environmental offsets".

Will the ERA(s) being applied for result in a significant residual impact to a matter of State environmental significance (MSES)?*	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 9</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<p>You must attach supporting information that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Details the magnitude and duration of the likely significant residual impact on each prescribed environmental matter (other than matters of local environmental significance) for the entire activity; and Demonstrates that all reasonable measures to avoid and minimise impacts on each of those matters will be undertaken.

8.1 Notice of election

Has a notice of election been submitted to the administering authority, or is being submitted as part of this application?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 8.2</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> You can attach the notice of election, if it has not been submitted to the department. Go to <i>Question 8.3</i> .

8.2 Staged environmental offsets

Offset delivery can be staged, however for this to occur, the condition of any approved environmental authority needs to state that both the activity and the offset may be staged. As part of your notice of election for each stage under the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*, you are required to provide a detailed assessment of the quantum of impact of that stage and the offset obligation requirement to be delivered for that stage.

Will the proposed ERA(s) and delivery of an environmental offset be undertaken in stages?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 8.3</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	You must attach supporting information that details of how the activity/activities are proposed to be staged.

8.3 Nature conservation environmental offset

Has another authority issued under the <i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> required an environmental offset for the same, or substantially the same, impact and the same, or substantially the same, MSES?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 8.4</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Provide permit number:

8.4 Marine parks environmental offset

Has marine park permit issued under the <i>Marine Parks Act 2004</i> required an environmental offset for the same, or substantially the same, impact and the same, or substantially the same, MSES?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 9</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> You must attach a copy of the marine park permit to this application.

9. Matters of national environmental significance

There are currently nine matters of national environmental significance (MNES) which have been defined in the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)* (EPBC Act). These are:

- world heritage properties
- national heritage places
- wetlands of international importance (listed under the Ramsar Convention)
- listed threatened species and ecological communities
- migratory species protected under international agreements
- Commonwealth marine areas
- the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park
- nuclear actions (including uranium mines)
- a water resource, in relation to coal seam gas development and large coal mining development

To determine whether the proposed ERA(s) will have a significant impact on MNES and for referral requirements, please refer to the guidance provided by the Federal Government's Department of Environment on www.environment.gov.au.

Would the carrying out of the proposed ERA(s) be likely to have a significant impact on a MNES?*	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 10</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Has the proposal been referred to the Federal Department of Environment for formal assessment and approval? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to <i>Question 10</i>. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to <i>Question 9.1</i>.

9.1 EPBC Act approval for environmental offsets

Has an approval issued under the EPBC Act required an environmental offset for the same, or substantially the same, impact and the same, or substantially the same, MSES?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 10</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	I have attached a copy of the approval under the EPBC Act.
	Are there any MNES which were assessed under the EPBC Act which are the same, or substantially the same as an MSES, but that were not conditioned in the approval?
	<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to <i>Question 10</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes → List these MNES:

10. Environmental impact statement under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*

Certain stages of the EA application process may not apply if the proposed activities were assessed as part of a coordinated project declared under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (State Development Act), you are only required to answer Questions 10 to 10.1 if you have a current Co-ordinator General's (CG's) evaluation report for the project.

Has an environmental impact statement (EIS) process under State Development Act been completed?*	
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Go to <i>Question 11</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	What is the title and project name of the completed EIS?*
	<input type="checkbox"/> The EIS was completed for all activities that are the subject of this application. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The environmental risks or the way the activity/activities are proposed to be carried out have not changed since the EIS was completed. <input type="checkbox"/> The environmental risks or the way the activity/activities are proposed to be carried out have changed since the EIS was completed.
	<input type="checkbox"/> The EIS was not completed for all activities that are the subject of this application. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The environmental risks or the way the activity/activities are proposed to be carried out have not changed since the EIS was completed. <input type="checkbox"/> The environmental risks or the way the activity/activities are proposed to be carried out have changed since the EIS was completed.
	Was the EIS completed for all activities that are the subject of this application?*
	Please list the activities that were not included in the EIS or attach documentation with this information to this application:
	<input type="checkbox"/> I have attached the required supporting information.

10.1 Coordinator-General's conditions

Are there CG's conditions that relate to the ERA(s) being applied for?*	
<input type="checkbox"/> No →	Go to <i>Question 11</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes →	Name of the CG's evaluation report:

11. Assessment of the environmental impact

This question is **not applicable** if an EIS process under the State Development Act has been completed for all the ERA(s) that are the subject of this application and the environmental risks of the activities **and** the way they are proposed to be carried out has not changed since the EIS was completed.

This question may also not be applicable where the activity is proposed as a trial based on research technologies, to the extent that the information is not available.

You must attach to this application an assessment of the likely impact of each ERA on environmental values (*if applicable), including:

- a description of the environmental values likely to be affected by each relevant activity
- details of any emissions or releases likely to be generated by each relevant activity
- a description of the risk and likely magnitude of impacts on the environmental values
- details of the management practices proposed to be implemented to prevent or minimise adverse impacts
- details of how the land the subject of the application will be rehabilitated after each relevant activity ceases

I have attached a complete assessment of the environmental impacts and specific supporting information.

For a trial: I have attached a partial assessment of the environmental impacts due to the activity being of a trial nature and included specific supporting information that demonstrates that the environmental activities are for the purpose of conducting research, or testing, technology or processes which are otherwise unknown.

12. Details of waste management

Describe the proposed measures for minimising and managing waste generated by the activity/ies below *

I have attached the proposed measures.

13. Take effect date (when fees will commence being charged)

You may nominate when the EA will take effect should it be approved. The date the environmental authority takes effect will be the date from which you can commence the activities as well as the date your annual fees will commence to be charged (your anniversary date). Under section 200 of the EP Act, if a development permit for a material change of use under the *Planning Act 2016* or a State development area (SDA) approval is required in order to carry out the ERA the EA cannot take effect until the development permit or SDA approval takes effect (known as taking effect pending development approval).

Do you want the EA to take effect on the decision date, nominated date, or pending development approval? *	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decision date	The take effect date will be the date of the decision.
<input type="checkbox"/> Nominated date	Details of nominated take effect date:
<input type="checkbox"/> Pending development approval	The take effect date will be the day the development approval is granted. You must notify the administering authority when the development approval takes effect.

14. Term of the EA (for short term EAs for trial activities)

If you are applying for an EA that relates to new or emerging technologies and a complete assessment of the environmental impacts (section 11 above) was not provided, you must nominate a term for the short term EA for trial activities of no more than three years. Following this term the EA will expire. There is no ability to extend the term once set.

Nominate the EA term	
<input type="checkbox"/> Maximum 3 years	Expiry will be three years from the date of the decision.
<input type="checkbox"/> Nominated term	Details of the required term if less than 3 years:
<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable	This application is not for a short term environmental authority for a trial activity

15. Nomination of site contact

An alternative contact nominated by the legal person which holds, or will in future hold, a relevant authority issued by the department. The department may direct correspondence relating to actual or potential compliance matters to the site contact.

Do you want to nominate a site contact? *		<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, provide details below
Title*	First Name*	Surname*	
Email Address*		<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you want to receive correspondence via email	
Phone			

16. Nomination of application contact

An alternative contact nominated by the legal person which has submitted, or will in future submit, applications to be assessed by the department. All departmental correspondence relating to the assessment of applications will be directed to the application contact, however, if the application results in the issuing of a relevant authority, the relevant authority will be sent to the applicant.

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Name or Position*
Primary Phone*
Secondary Phone
Email Address*

17. Payment of fees

You are required to pay an application fee at the time of application. If your application is approved you will be required to pay a fee annually. Each ERA has a regulated fee and the annual fee will be the highest annual fee of any ERA associated with the project. The first annual fee will be invoiced when the permit becomes effective. Information on fees is available on the Business Queensland website at www.business.qld.gov.au.

The application fee is*: \$

Please select your payment method for the application fee below:

For fees payable to the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation:

- For credit card payments for applications to the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation you must complete the application using Online Services at <https://business.qld.gov.au/running-business/environment/online-services>; or
- Email the completed application with a request to pay the application fee by Bpoint. Please do not email your credit card details – we will send you a link to pay securely by credit card via BPoint.

For fees payable to the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries:

- Please contact me (the applicant) for credit card payment, (Department of Agriculture and Fisheries only):

Phone number:

18. Applicant declaration

I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct. I understand that it is an offence under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* to give information that I know is false, misleading or incomplete.

I will comply with all conditions on my environmental authority as well as any relevant provisions in the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

I understand that I am responsible for managing the environmental impacts of these activities, and that approval of this application is not an endorsement by the administering authority of the effectiveness of the management practices proposed or implemented.

Applicant's full name*	Applicant's position*
Applicant's signature*	Date*

Submit your completed application:**for ERA 2, ERA 3 or ERA 4 via email to livestockregulator@daf.qld.gov.au or:****Post:**

Senior Environmental Scientist
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
GPO Box 102
TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

Further information:

www.business.qld.gov.au
Email: livestockregulator@daf.qld.gov.au
Phone: 13 25 23
Fax: (07) 4529-9233

for all other ERAs via email to palm@des.qld.gov.au or:**Post:**

Permit and Licence Management
Department of Environment, Science and
Innovation
GPO Box 2454
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Further information:

www.business.qld.gov.au
Email: palm@des.qld.gov.au
Phone: 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Privacy statement

The Department of Environment, Science and Innovation (the Department) and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries are collecting the information on this form in accordance with and as authorised by Chapter 5 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (EP Act).

Pursuant to section 540 of the EP Act, the Department is required to maintain a register of certain documents and information authorised under the EP Act. A copy of this document will be kept on the public register. The register is available for inspection by members of the public who are able to take extracts, or copies of the documents from the register. Documents that are required to be kept on the register are published in their entirety, unless alteration is required by the EP Act. There is no general discretion allowing the Department to withhold documents or information required to be kept on the public register. For more information on the Department's public register, search 'public register' at www.qld.gov.au. For queries about privacy matters please email privacy@des.qld.gov.au or telephone 13 74 68.

Attachment 1

Joint applicants and appointment of principal applicant

We are joint applicants for this environmental authority application and hereby appoint _____ as the principal applicant to receive statutory documents relating to this application.

Name - individual or contact person if applicant is an organisation*	Suitable Operator Reference Number*
Organisation name, including trading name (*if an organisation)	ABN/ACN (*if an organisation)
Residential or registered business address (not a post office box)*	Phone*
Postal address (if same as above, state "AS ABOVE") *	Facsimile
Email*	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you want to receive correspondence via email
Signature*	Date*

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Organisation name including trading name (*if an organisation)	ABN/ACN (*if an organisation)
Residential or registered business address (not a post office box)*	Phone*
Postal address (if same as above, state "AS ABOVE") *	Facsimile
Email*	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you want to receive correspondence via email
Signature*	Date*

Name - individual or contact person if applicant is an organisation*	Suitable Operator Reference Number*
Business name including trading name (*if an organisation)	ABN/ACN (*if an organisation)
Residential or registered business address (not a post office box)*	Phone*
Postal address (if same as above, state "AS ABOVE") *	Facsimile
Email*	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you want to receive correspondence via email
Signature*	Date*

Attachment 2

List of locations where the ERA(s) will be carried out.

Where there is more than one location list all locations and which ERA(s) will be conducted at each location.

Number*	Street Name*	Suburb/Town*	Postcode*	ERA/s*
Real Property Description*		Specific area within the location ie GPS or other descriptor (*if applicable e.g. dredging)		
Lot	Plan			

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