Notification of
REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPOINENT – controlled action
Burdekin Falls Dam Raising, near Ravenswood, Queensland (EPBC 2020/8705)

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

proposed action

To raise the full supply level of the existing Burdekin Falls Dam to a maximum of 6 m, including ancillary infrastructure, approximately 80 km south of Ravenswood in northern Queensland [See EPBC Act referral 2020/8705].

decision on proposed 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

- World Heritage properties (sections 12 & 15A)
- National Heritage places (sections 15B & 15C)
- Ramsar wetlands (sections 16 & 17B)
- Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)
- Listed migratory species (sections 20 & 20A)
- Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (sections 24B & 24C)

designated proponent

Sunwater Limited
ABN: 17020276523

assessment approach

The project will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement with Queensland.

Decision-maker

Name and position

Andrew McNee
Assistant Secretary
Assessments Queensland and Sea Dumping Branch

Signature

date of decision

28/08/2020