

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

VRX has a Consultation Strategy which identifies key external stakeholders and determines how they will be impacted by the Proposal and what influence they have over its implementation. The aim of such extensive consultation is to develop productive relationships that ensure the Proposal is underwritten by sustainable agreements and necessary statutory approvals. The Consultation Strategy has also been developed to secure the approvals necessary for the construction and operation of the Proposal, which will require consultation with the following stakeholders:

- Local Government (including Shire);
- State Government;
- Commonwealth Government;
- Aboriginal groups with a connection to the Proposal lands; and
- Corporate and community stakeholders.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

VRX has a Stakeholder Consultation Register which maintains records of all consultations with stakeholders. The Register summarises key issues raised by stakeholders during the consultation process and describes how VRX has responded to those issues. A summarised version of the Stakeholder Consultation Register is provided in Table 1 to provide details of the stakeholder consultation undertaken to-date for the Proposal.

Table 1: Stakeholder Consultation Register

| Stakeholder | Date/s | Relevant issues / topics raised | Proponent response / outcome |
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| Government Stakeholders | | | |
| DAWE | 17 July 2019 (phone conference meeting) | Present the Proposal EPBC Act referral and approval processes for the Proposal | EPBC Referral has been submitted in parallel with the Section 38 Referral under the EP Act. |
| DBCA | 1 July 2020 | Present the Proposal Potential offset options for reduction in Black Cockatoo foraging habitat | VRX to liaise with DBCA through assessment process regarding suitable offset options |
| DJTSI | 2 September 2017, 2 April & 27 September 2019 (meetings) | Present the Proposal and host a discussion of the Arrowsmith North, Central and Muchea Silica Sand Projects. | VRX to keep DJTSI informed of progress |
| DPLH | 24 October 2019 (meeting) | Present the Proposal and discuss the requirements for rail and port services and infrastructure for the export of product. | VRX to keep DPLH informed of progress |
| DPC | 19 July 2019 (meeting) | Discussion of the Proposal and a confirmation of VRXs rights to tenements to be included in the Geraldton Alternative Settlement Agreement | VRX to keep DPC informed of progress |
| DoT | 23 August 2019 (meeting) | Present the Proposal and discuss the requirements for rail and port services and infrastructure for the export of product. | VRX to keep DoT informed of progress |
| DMIRS | 2 August 2017, 26 November 2018, 22 March 2019, 13 February & 29 July 2020 (meetings) | Tenement requirements for the Proposal. Present the Proposal and discuss the requirements for EPA approvals. | VRX to keep DJTSI informed of progress VRX to submit tenement applications as required Mining Proposal and MCP to be submitted |
| DWER – EPA Services | 1 August 2019 (meeting) 9 November 2019 (phone conference) 21 July 2020 (video conference) | Present the Proposal Pre-referral meeting Phone conference to discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica sand project requirements for water and EPA approvals Update on Proposal referral timeframes | Section 38 Referral and this SR prepared in accordance with EPA Services advice |



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| DWER – Industry Regulation | 11 May 2020 (video conference) | Present the Proposal Regulation under Part V of the EP Act General advice | Section 38 Referral and this SR prepared in accordance with Industry Regulation advice Works Approval application to be submitted |
| DWER – Water Licensing | 11 May 2020 (video conference) | Present the Proposal Groundwater investigations status Regulation under the RIWI Act General advice | Section 38 Referral and this SR prepared in accordance with Industry Regulation advice 5C Licence application to be submitted |
| Mid-West Chamber of Commerce | 22 July 2019 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica sand projects and long-term benefits for the Greater Geraldton Region | VRX to keep Mid-West Chamber of Commerce informed of progress |
| Mid-West Development Commission | 22 July 2019 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica sand projects and requirements for rail and port services in the Greater Geraldton Region | |
| Mid-West Ports Authority | 22 July 2019 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith Silica sand projects and requirements for port services | VRX to keep Mid-West Ports Authority informed of progress and port capacity requirements |
| Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Ports | 23 August 2019 (meeting) | Present the Proposal and discuss the requirements for rail and port services and infrastructure for the export of product | VRX to keep Minister informed of progress |
| Minister for the Environment; Disability Services; Electoral Affairs | 23 August 2019 (meeting) | Present the Proposal and discuss the requirements for EPA approvals | VRX to keep Minister informed of progress |
| State Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs | 3 December 2019 (meeting) | Present the Proposal and host a discussion of the Arrowsmith North, Central and Muchea Silica Sand Projects | VRX to keep State Treasurer informed of progress |
| City of Greater Geraldton | 22 July 2019 (meeting) | Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica sand projects and long-term benefits for the state and the region. | VRX to keep City of Greater Geraldton informed of progress |
| Member for the Agricultural Region | 3 December 2019 meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica Sand projects and long-term benefits for the state and the region | VRX to keep Member for the Agricultural Region informed of progress |



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| MLA for Butler | 25 February 2019 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica Sand projects and long-term benefits for the state and the region | VRX to keep Member informed of progress |
| MLA for Geraldton | 10 December 2019 (meeting) 16 September 2021 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith Silica Sand project and long-term benefits for the state and the region | VRX to keep Member informed of progress |
| MLA for Moore | 09 November 2018 (meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith and Muchea Silica Sand projects and long-term benefits for the state and the region | VRX to keep Member informed of progress |
| Shire of Carnamah | 14 March 2020 (video conference meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith Silica Sand project and long-term benefits for the Irwin District | VRX to keep Shire informed of progress |
| Shire of Irwin | 14 April 2020 (video conference meeting) | Discuss the Arrowsmith Silica Sand project and long-term benefits for the Irwin District | VRX to keep Shire informed of progress |
| Community and Corporate Stakeholders | | | |
| Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Australian Nature Conservation Society / Australian Wildlife Conservancy | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Birdlife WA | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Birds Australia | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |



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| | | Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | |
| Conservation Council of WA | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Greening Australia | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Wildflower Society of WA | August 2020 (email) | Proposal introduction and environmental considerations / issues Information Pack provided Offer for meeting or further information Notification of plan to submit Section 38 Referral | Consideration of issues in Proposal design VRX to meet with stakeholder and / or provide additional information upon request |
| Southern Yamatji Claimants - Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation Representative Body | 10 December 2019, 20 February & 23 March 2020 (meetings and video conference) | Discuss the Arrowsmith Silica Sand project and long-term benefits and opportunities for the Southern Yamatji People Native Title Heritage surveys | Mining Project Agreement negotiated Aboriginal heritage surveys to be completed over disturbance areas |
| ARC Resources | July 2019 | Discuss rail requirements | Rail access to be negotiated by rail owners and rolling stock contractors |



Table 2: Stakeholder Consultation Plan

| Timing | Stakeholder | Type | Purpose of planned engagement | Issues to be raised |
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| 2020 - ongoing | EPA Services - DWER | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Correspondence during assessment under Part IV of the EP Act EPA Board meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of EIA • Review of draft Section 38 Referral and SR • Draft conditions • EPA Board meeting • Compliance |
| 2020 - ongoing | Industry Regulation - DWER | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Correspondence to obtain works approvals under Part V of the EP Act. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future Works Approvals and Licence requirements • Proposal timing (i.e. construction) • Potential environmental impacts • Compliance |
| 2020 - ongoing | DMIRS | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Correspondence to obtain approval for Permit of Works, Mining Proposal, MCP and Project Management Plan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenement applications • Mining Proposal and MCP assessment • Timing • Project specific requirements • Closure requirements • Project Management Plan assessment • Compliance and Reporting • Mine Rehabilitation Fund |
| 2020- ongoing | DBCA | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Advice into ongoing management of Proposal within close proximity to Priority Flora Offset sites and management | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority Flora • Offsets • Black Cockatoo monitoring and management |
| 2020 - ongoing | Main Roads WA | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Discussions regarding under road pipeline construction | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future applications • Site access • Timing (i.e. construction & operation) • Operating hours • Site access/routes |



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| 2020 - ongoing | DoT | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Discussions regarding rail haulage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future applications • Timing (i.e. construction & operation) • Site access/routes |
| 2020 - ongoing | Mid-West Ports Authority | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Correspondence to negotiate terms for the export of ore through Geraldton Port | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future applications • Export options • Path forward for the Proposal |
| 2020 | Relevant Ministers | Letters and meetings | Letter summarising the Proposal status (i.e. approvals to date and path forward). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvals status • Future applications • Studies undertaken • Key findings • Path forward for the Proposal |
| 2020 - ongoing | Local Government Authorities | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Correspondence summarising the Proposal status (i.e. approvals to date and path forward). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvals required • Future applications • Path forward for the Proposal • Local workforce availability • Export through Geraldton Port |
| 2020 - ongoing | Southern Yamatji People | Letter and copies of approval documents | Feedback on Proposal design. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvals to date • Future applications • Studies undertaken and key findings • Path forward for the Proposal • Potential for indigenous contracting and employment opportunities • Bush tucker/ bush medicine management |
| 2020 - ongoing | Non-government organisations and community groups | Telephone, letters, email and meetings | Input and provision of information | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of ecological information • Invitation for comment • Priority Flora • Black Cockatoo |

