



**Notification of
REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled action**

**Winchester South Coal Mine Project, 30 km south east of Moranbah, Queensland
(EPBC 2019/8460)**

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

proposed action	To construct and operate an open-cut coal mine, rail spur, access road, and associated infrastructure, approximately 30 km south east of Moranbah, Queensland [See EPBC Act referral 2019/8460].
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)• A water resource, in relation to coal seam gas development and large coal mining development (section 24D & 24E)
designated proponent	WHITEHAVEN WS PTY LTD ABN 87 625 165 004
assessment approach	The project will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement with Queensland.
Decision-maker	
Name and position	Nathan Hanna A/g Assistant Secretary Assessments and Governance Branch
Signature	
date of decision	18/7/2019.
