

Acceptance decision

[Title of accepted EP]

This document provides notification of NOPSEMA's decision made under regulation 10 of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009 (Environment Regulations) to accept an environment plan.

Submission information

Titleholder1:	Chevron Australia Pty Ltd
Environment plan:	Jansz-lo Compression Geophysical and Geotechnical survey
Petroleum title(s)/Application number(s):	WA-36-L, WA-39-L, WA-75-R
Date first submitted to NOPSEMA:	03/11/2017
Activities type(s) ² :	Geophysical and geotechnical survey
Activity overview: As described in the accepted environment plan.	Chevron Australia Pty Ltd (CAPL) is the operator for the Gorgon Gas Development (also known as the Gorgon Project) on behalf of the Gorgon Joint Venture. Offshore production wells and pipeline infrastructure associated with the Jansz–Io and Gorgon gas fields gather and transport gas to the Gorgon Gas Treatment Plant on Barrow Island, Western Australia (WA), where it is processed.
	Compression facilities are expected to be installed to support the future recovery of hydrocarbons from the Jansz–Io gas field once the pressure in the reservoir is depleted and is insufficient to sustain peak production rates. Compression facilities will enable efficient recovery of hydrocarbons within the Jansz–Io gas field, and from other gas reserves in the Greater Gorgon area.
	The proposed geophysical and geotechnical surveys will be used as a basis for the engineering design of the compression facility location, mooring locations, and flowline routes. The surveys will also include potential future flowline routes from adjacent backfill fields to the Jansz–lo compression facility.
Decision:	Accepted
Decision date:	02/03/2018

Representative of NOPSEMA: Environment Manager - Drilling & Developments

Decision made by:



Basis of decision

NOPSEMA has assessed the environment plan in accordance with its assessment policies and procedures. Having regard to all information provided by, and referred to in the environment plan, NOPSEMA is reasonably satisfied that the environment plan meets the criteria set out in regulation 10A of the Environment Regulations.

Next steps for the petroleum activity

An environment plan summary must be provided to NOPSEMA within 10 days of this acceptance. regulation 11(4) requires that this document provide material from the accepted environment plan.

Once the summary document has been prepared to NOPSEMA satisfaction it will be published on NOPSEMA's website. NOPSEMA aims to have all environment plan summary documents published within 20 days of acceptance. This timeframe may vary should the document require amendment by the titleholder.

The titleholder is required to notify NOPSEMA 10 days prior to the commencement of the activity. This notification will be published on NOPSEMA's website.

Titleholder environmental performance requirements

A titleholder is required to undertake a petroleum activity in accordance with the accepted environment plan. It is an offence under the Environment Regulations to act in a manner contrary to the accepted environment plan. A titleholder must submit a revision to the environment plan in response to a new or increased environmental impact or risk, or a significant modification or stage of the activity not provided for in the accepted environment plan.

How to get further information

If you have any further questions regarding the activity it is suggested you contact the titleholder's nominated liaison person for the activity.

If you would like to access any further information regarding this decision, or would like to contact NOPSEMA please email environment@nopsema.gov.au.

¹ A titleholder includes an applicant for a petroleum access authority, petroleum special prospecting authority, pipeline licence, greenhouse gas search authority or greenhouse gas special authority under sub-regulation 9(2).

Activity type as listed in the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Regulations 2004