

Publication Notice

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Commonwealth) Section 95A

Notice of Referral Information

Proposed Mahalo North Coal Seam Gas Project

EPBC 2023/09689

This notice is published pursuant to Section 95A of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) inviting written comments to Comet Ridge Limited (the proponent) about the proposed Mahalo North Coal Seam Gas Project (EPBC 2023/09689) (the proposed action).

The proposed action is located approximately 45 kilometers (km) north of Rolleston and 70 km southeast of Emerald in the Bowen Basin within the Central Highlands Regional Council area of Queensland. The proposed action covers an area of approximately 14,000 hectares on Petroleum Lease (PL) 1128.

The proposed action involves the construction, decommissioning and rehabilitation of 68 CSG production wells (34 vertical and 34 lateral) and supporting infrastructure, including water- and gas-gathering pipelines, a gas compression facility, brine and produced water storages and a water treatment plant.

The proposed action was determined to be a controlled action under the EPBC Act and is currently being assessed by preliminary documentation. The controlling provisions protected by Part 3 of the EPBC Act are:

- Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)
- A water resource, in relation to unconventional gas development and large coal mining development (sections 24D & 24E)

The preliminary documentation is available for viewing for a period of 10 business days from Monday 15th September 2025 to Friday 26th September 2025 (inclusive) online at <https://cometridge.com.au/mahalo-north-epbc/> and in hard copy at the following locations:

- Emerald Council Office - Ground floor, 65 Egerton Street, Emerald, Queensland, 4720
- State Library of Queensland - Level 4, John Oxley Library of the State Library of Queensland, 4101

Hard copies of the published material may be purchased at a reasonable cost.

Written submissions should be addressed to:

- Attention: Mahalo North Manager
- Email: notices@cometridge.com.au
- Postal Address: Comet Ridge Limited, Level 12, 410 Queen Street Brisbane Qld 4000

The end date for public comment is 5:00pm (AEST) on Friday 26th September 2025.

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