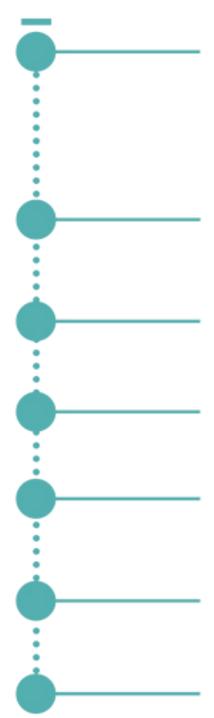
Approvals Process





ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS STATEMENT (EES) AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION (EPBC) REFERRAL - Q1 2024

To the Victorian Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) and the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), respectively.

REFERRAL DECISIONS PUBLISHED

By DTP and DCCEEW. RES to seek bilateral assessment pathway across EES and EPBC which would allow the Commonwealth Minister to assess the EPBC approval based on EES outcomes.

CONDUCT REQUIRED STUDIES

RES will prepare the studies outlined in the referral decisions as part of the EES and EPBC application processes.

LODGE EES INCLUDING PLANNING PERMIT APPLICATION

With the DTP

PUBLIC REVIEW (INCLUDING POSSIBLE EES INQUIRY BY PUBLIC HEARING)

Of the EES and Planning Permit Application. Community, Councils, and State agencies can make submissions.

MINISTER FOR PLANNING DECISION

Minister's Assessment of the EES, with consideration of submissions received and the Inquiry Report, is provided to decision-makers.

DECISIONS ON APPROVALS

Made by the Victorian Minister for Planning for the Planning Permit Application, and the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment for the EPBC approval application. Approval decisions could include approval of all or part of the proposed development with conditions.

APPROVALS TIMEFRAME

2+ YEARS