

## **NOTICE OF DECISION**

This notice of decision is made under regulation 50 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020 (EP Regulations)

Name of proposed action	Paru Road Upgrade
Proponent	Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
NT EPA reference	EP2021/007
Description of proposed action	To upgrade Paru Road (within NT Portion 1644) on Melville Island.
	The existing gravel road is the main road from the ferry terminal to townships on Melville Island.
	The proposal area would cover 383.8 ha, comprising:
	<ul> <li>a new bridge or major culvert crossing of a permanent (unnamed) creek</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>four road realignments to smooth existing bends along Paru Road over a total length of approximately 3.1 km</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>two areas for gravel pits</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>a maximum clearing footprint of 74.7 ha for the gravel pits and road realignment, but to be confirmed.</li> </ul>
Nature of the proposed action	Roads and transport
Person authorised to make decision	Paul Purdon
	Executive Director Environmental Assessment and Policy
	Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security
	Delegate of the NT EPA under section 36 of the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority Act 2012
Decision	To accept the above named referral of a proposed action for a standard assessment in accordance with regulation 44 of the EP Regulations
Signature	Puller
Date of decision	27 May 2021