



Notification of
DECISION THAT THE ACTION IS CLEARLY UNACCEPTABLE

Galilee Coal Project, Galilee Basin and Shoalwater Bay, Queensland -
(EPBC 2008/4366)

The decision was made under Section 74B of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Proposed action

proposed action	To undertake the Galilee Coal Project in central Queensland including the development of a coal mine in the Galilee Basin, a port in the Shoalwater Bay Military Training Area, a 495km railway linking the mine to the port and 285km water supply, as described in the referral documents received by the department on 30 July 2008.
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Decision: Action is clearly unacceptable

Decision	The proposed action will have clearly unacceptable impacts on matters protected by Part 3 of the EPBC Act. Division 1A of Part 7 of the EPBC Act applies to this referral.
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relevant protected matter	Wetlands of International Importance (sections 16 and 17B) The environment from proposals involving Commonwealth Land (section 26 and 27A)
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person proposing to take the action	Waratah Coal Incorporated
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Person authorised to make decision

Name and position	PETER ROBERT GARRETT Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts
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date of decision

August 2008

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