REGIONAL INTERESTS DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL (RIDA)

RPI24/007: Santos – Leghorn Dev C Project

(Given under section 53 of the Regional Planning Interests Act 2014)

Date: 27 October 2025

Description of the land

Real property description: Lot 1 SP133822

Area of regional interest: Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area

Local Government Area: Bulloo Shire Council

Approved resource activities

The approved resource activities are set out in **Table 1** below.

A summary of the proposed resource activities in the Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area (Channel Country SEA) is provided in **Table 2** below.

This development approval authorises impacts on the Channel Country SEA by the approved resource activities.

Table 1: Approved resource activities

Area of regional interest	Location	Resource activity	Area of disturbance (ha)
Channel Country	Lot 1 on	Petroleum well	6.505 ha
SEA	SP133822	Temporary Works Areas (x4)	
		Gas Flowline	
		Access Track	
		Borrow Pit (x1)	

Table 2: Description summary of the approved resource activities

Resource activity Petroleum and gas	Description
Petroleum well	 The well will include a well pad, derrick, power generators, pipe handling equipment, tanks, chemical injection skid, drilling sumps, stockpile, flare fit, and office areas. The well is for single head conventional gas. It is a 2-string design with 7-5/8" steel surface casing and 3-1/2" chrome steel tubing. These strings will be cemented either back to surface or to inside the previous casing. It also includes a flowline riser.
Borrow pit	 A source of shallow earthen material excavated to provide material for well lease and access track maintenance. The borrow pit will have a maximum area of 6,000m², and maximum depth of 3 metres.

Temporary work areas	•	A cleared designated space established to support operational activities. It includes features such as a temporary administrative office for managing and coordinating tasks, designated zones for storing equipment, materials, and tools, clear signage for safety and informational purposes, and temporary installations for power, lighting, and other essential services.
Access track	•	Approximately 945 metres of new access track to provide access to the wells lease and borrow pit. The access track will be up to 13 metres in width to accommodate a trafficable roadway and table drains either side of the roadway.
Gas flowline	•	A Right-of-Way (RoW) width of approximately 15 metres is required for installation of the proposed buried gas flowline. The gas flowline will consist of a 100 millimetres diameter (DN 100) steel pipe, buried to a depth of around 750 millimetres.

Regional interests conditions

A person who is the holder of, or is acting under, this RIDA must not contravene any of the conditions related to this approval.

No.	Conditions	Condition timing
1.	Carry out the approved resource activities in the Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area generally in accordance with: (a) the resource activities identified in Table 1: Approved resource activities; (b) the resource activities as described in Table 2: Description summary of the approved resource activities; and (c) the approved plan - Cooper Basin PL 1055 Proposed Infrastructure and Construction Disturbance Zone, reference ENVIR 1022b.WOR, prepared by Santos, dated 19/08/2024.	At all times
2.	The maximum approved area of disturbance of 6.505 ha must occur within the 22.8 ha construction disturbance zone, as shown on plan Cooper Basin PL 1055 Proposed Infrastructure and Construction Disturbance Zone, reference ENVIR 1022b.WOR, prepared by Santos, dated 19/08/2024.	At all times
3.	The construction of any flowline, or access track corridors must: (a) maximise co-location; (b) be minimised in width to the greatest practicable extent; and (c) be no greater than 15 metres in total width.	At all times
4.	No construction activities are to be undertaken: (a) when surface water is present; or (b) during a flood event or inundation period.	As indicated
5.	Implement measures to minimise the diversion of overland flow during construction, operation and decommissioning of the resource activities.	At all times

No.	Conditions	Condition timing
6.	Develop and implement erosion and sediment controls which: (a) allow stormwater to pass through or around the site in a controlled manner and at non-erosive flow velocities; (b) minimise soil erosion resulting from wind, rain and flowing water; (c) minimise the duration that disturbed soils are exposed to the erosive forces of wind, rain and flowing water; (d) minimise work-related soil erosion and sediment runoff; and (e) minimise negative impacts to land adjacent to the resource activities.	At all times
7.	Contaminants from the resource activities must not be directly or indirectly released to a watercourse, wetland, to the bed or banks of a watercourse or to groundwater. Note: 'Contaminants' mean contaminants as defined in Schedule 10 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2019.	At all times
	'Watercourse' has the definition as contained in the Water Act 2000.	
8.	Works to maintain access tracks across watercourses must be undertaken in such a way as to prevent interference with watercourses: avoiding erosion, sedimentation, diversion, or otherwise degradation of creek or riverbanks and associated vegetation.	At all times
9.	Construct access tracks to: (a) allow for the natural passage of surface water; and (b) minimise blade work.	At all times
10.	Construct the borrow pit to avoid capture of overland flow water.	At all times
11.	Rehabilitate areas of disturbance to: (a) achieve stable landforms that perform in the same hydrological way as they did prior to disturbance; and (b) promote functioning riparian processes and wildlife corridors. Note: 'disturbance' means any impact to the landscape, vegetation, air quality, hydrology, habitat, or water quality that has been directly or indirectly caused by human activity associated with the resource activity.	As soon as reasonably practicable but within 12 months of the disturbance areas no longer being used for the resource activities
12.	Rehabilitate all drill holes to a standard that does not result in detrimental impacts to groundwater.	At the completion of each drill hole

No.	Conditions	Condition timing
13.	 (a) All complaints received, and resulting actions taken, about the impact of the approved resource activities on the environmental attributes in the Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area (Designated Precinct) must be recorded. The record must include: (i) name, address and contact number of the complainant; (ii) time and date of complaint; (iii) reasons for the complaint; (iv) investigations undertaken; (v) conclusions formed; (vi) actions taken to resolve the complaint; (vii) any abatement measures implemented; and (viii) person responsible for resolving the complaint. (b) Provide records of any complaints received and recorded in accordance with this condition to the chief executive at RPIAct@dsdip.qld.gov.au. The records must state the 	(a) At all times (b) Within 60 business days of
	application's reference application reference number, being RPI24/007.	receipt of a complaint
14.	A full copy of the regional interests development approval must be kept on-site and available to any person(s) contracted to undertake the approved resource activities.	At all times

General Advice

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all relevant approvals and licenses are obtained from the applicable Local, State, and/or Federal Authorities prior to works commencing on site.

