



**Notification of  
REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled  
action**

**Port of Gladstone Western Basin Strategic Dredging and Disposal Project,  
QLD (EPBC 2009/4904)**

This decision is made under Section 75 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

**Proposed action**

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<b>proposed action</b>	To undertaken the Port of Gladstone Western Basin Strategic Dredging and Disposal Project at the Port of Gladstone, QLD. The action is for dredging and the disposal of dredged material as described in the referral received on 18 May 2009.
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**Referral decision: Controlled action**

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<b>status of proposed action</b>	The proposed action is a controlled action.  <i>The project will require assessment and approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 before it can proceed.</i>
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<b>relevant controlling provisions</b>	The project is likely to have a significant impact on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• World Heritage properties (section 12 &amp; 15A)</li><li>• National Heritage places (section 15B &amp; 15C)</li><li>• Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 &amp; 18A)</li><li>• Listed migratory species (sections 20 &amp; 20A)</li></ul>
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<b>designated proponent</b>	Gladstone Ports Corporation Ltd
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**Decision on assessment approach**

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<b>assessment approach</b>	This project will be assessed under the Bilateral Agreement with the Queensland Government.
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**Person authorised to make decision**

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<b>Name and position</b>	Ms Vicki Middleton Assistant Secretary Environment Assessment Branch
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**date of decision**

18 June 2009

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