

# Change Notice – Regulation 23

<b>Interest Holder</b>	Central Petroleum Limited	<b>EMP Title</b>	NT Drilling Campaign	<b>Unique EMP ID No.</b>	CTP 3.4	<b>Change No.</b>	1	<b>Date</b>	3 March 2021
<b>Brief Description</b>	<p>The NT Drilling Campaign EMP was approved by the minister on 29 November 2020. The plan included the development of well pads, access tracks and the associated infrastructure necessary to drill 2 development wells (WM27 and WM28) at Mereenie.</p> <p>In relation to the WM28 well, Central would like to notify the department of its intention to change the access track route to the well pad as approved in the EMP. The change notice is necessary as Sacred Site Clearance Certificate (SSCC) (C2020-009 - Appendix A) issued on 23 February 2021 by the Central Land Council (CLC) required under our land access agreement differs from the authority certificate (C2020/084 - Appendix B) granted on 25 November 2020 by the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA).</p> <p>As outlined in Appendix C, the CLC have amended the route of the access track to WM28 (CLC – blue / AAPA yellow) by 75m to the north east avoid some culturally sensitive areas, they have also included restricted work areas on both sides of the new track (in green). There are no other changes needed in relation to the EMP.</p>								
<b>Geospatial Files Included?</b>	Updated file showing the existing and new routes included in Appendix D.								
<b>Does the change in existing environment result in a new, or increased, potential or actual environmental impact or risk?</b>	<b>If a NEW potential or actual environmental impact or risk, is it provided for in the approved EMP?</b>	<b>If an INCREASE in an existing potential or actual environmental impact or risk, is it provided for in the approved EMP?</b>	<b>Does the change in the existing environment require additional mitigation measures to be included?</b>	<b>Has additional stakeholder engagement been conducted?</b>	<b>Does it require additional environmental performance standards and measurement criteria?</b>	<b>Does it affect compliance with Sacred Site Authority Certificates?</b>	<b>Does it affect current rehabilitation, weed, fire, wastewater, erosion and sediment control, spill or emergency response plans?</b>	<b>Will the environmental outcome continue to be achieved and will the impacts and risks be managed to ALARP and acceptable?</b>	
Note 1.	Not applicable	Note 2.	Note 3.	Note 4.	Note 5.	Note 6.	Note 7.	Note 8.	

Current EMP Text	Amended EMP Text
<p><b>Figure 4-3 – Clearance Area (West Mereenie 28 Well)</b></p>	<p><b>Figure 4-3 – New Clearance Area (West Mereenie 28 Well)</b> The access track location in this map has been updated (Appendix D) to highlight the new access track route / location to the WM-28 well. The new route aligns with CLC and AAPA authority certificates.</p>
<p><b>Figure 5-15 Land Types (West Mereenie 28 Well)</b></p>	<p><b>Figure 5-15 Land Types (West Mereenie 28 Well)</b> The access track location in this map has been updated (Appendix D). The new route avoids the highlighted sand dunes within the proposed western access corridor and aligns with CLC and AAPA authority certificates.</p>
<p><b>5.2.3.5.3 Aboriginal Sacred Sites</b> In accordance with the <i>Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989</i>, CP has lodged an Authority Certificate application with the AAPA for the West Mereenie wells (application # 202000411). CP commits to complying with the requirements of the granted Authority Certificate. Additionally, CP will also obtain a Sacred Site Clearance Certificate from the Central Land Council for the West Mereenie wells.</p>	<p><b>5.2.3.5.3 Aboriginal Sacred Sites</b> In accordance with the Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989, CP was granted an Authority Certificate (C2021/084) by AAPA for the West Mereenie wells on 25 November 2020. Subsequently, a variation was submitted to allow for alignment between CLC scared site clearance certificate (C2020-009) and AAPA authority certificate (application no. 202102907) One approved, CP commits to complying with the requirements of both the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AAPA granted Authority Certificate; and</li> <li>▪ Sacred Site Clearance Certificate from the Central Land Council.</li> </ul>

**Note 1:** Minor increase in risk given the road length is now 927m as opposed to the previously approved 900m road and there will be a greater area of disturbance (216 sqm). However, all of the proposed activities are currently included as part of the scope of the current approved EMP.

**Note 2:** Yes, civils works, and the associated controls are currently considered in the risk section of the EMP. The workforce numbers and estimated duration of activities are not likely to change as a result of the activities.

**Note 3:** No additional mitigation measures are considered necessary. The planned works are within the scope of the current activities and Central plans on executing the activities aligned with approved controls.

**Note 4:** Not directly by Central. However, AAPA is currently engaging / consulting with the Traditional Owners (TO's) on the changed conditions. The TO's being engaged by AAPA are the same group who were engaged by the CLC as part of their clearance certificate (C2020-009).

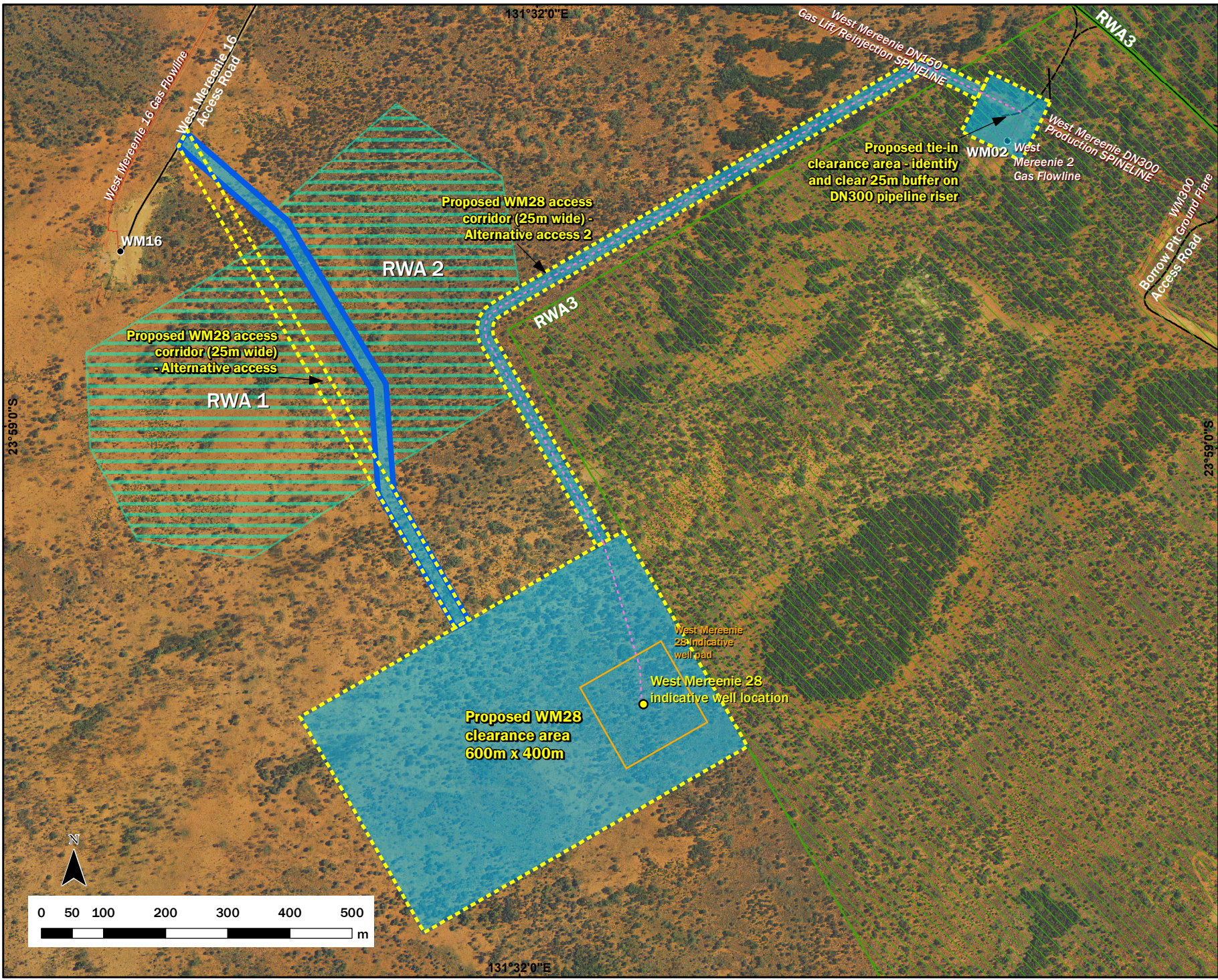
**Note 5:** No additional environmental performance standards and measurement criteria are required. A review of the existing standards and criteria in the EMP identified that all elements will be able to be met and will not be impacted by the proposed works.

**Note 6:** Yes, a variation to the AAPA approved certificate (C2020/084) for the development wells has been lodged (Appendix E) and is currently in the fieldwork stage.

**Note 7:** No, it does not affect current plans in place. The access track is planned to revert to an operational area and be managed under the Mereenie FEMP, therefore:

- Rehabilitation – no rehabilitation necessary
- Weeds – regular inspections and annual survey
- Fire – all fire related controls are valid and will be in place during planned works. In addition, any hot works will be undertaken under permit conditions aligned with existing fire controls in the EMP
- Wastewater – no wastewater will be generated as a result of the proposed works
- Erosion and sediment control – controls will be implemented during construction and the area monitoring during operational activities
- Spill – spill response plans are valid for these activities
- Emergency response plans – these plans are valid, and plans address risks associated with the proposed works

**Note 8:** The environmental outcomes outlined in the EMP associated with civil works will continue to be achieved. In addition, all of the impacts and risks will be managed to ALARP. An assessment has been undertaken and for each key elements of the works to determine whether potential environmental risks are 'acceptable'. CP's has revalidated the risk assessment in the EMP related to civil works and determined that there is no increased risk as a result of the activities. Rationale to support the ALARP decision is included in the existing NT Drilling EMP (3-4).



### Proposed West Mereenie 28 clearance area

- Legend**
- Indicative well location
  - Indicative flowline
  - Indicative well pad (120m x 120m)
  - Proposed clearance areas
  - Revised Access Path
- SSCC C2020 009**
- New Restricted Work Area (RWA)
  - CLC Clearance Area
- Existing Cultural Heritage Clearances**
- Restricted Work Area
  - Existing Mereenie wells
  - Gas pipeline
  - Existing roads

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Map Scale is 1:8,145 when printed at A4  
 Coordinate System: GDA 1994 MGA Zone 52



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