

EPA green light for \$800m Devil Creek gas project

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Apache Energy's \$800 million Devil Creek gas project, which is tipped to become the State's next major source of domestic gas, has received conditional approval from the Environmental Protection Authority.

The EPA released its evaluation yesterday, listing conditions on rehabilitation, fauna management,

lighting design, lost habitat and greenhouse gas emissions.

Perth-based Apache Energy government and public affairs manager David Parker welcomed the EPA's recommendations and recognised its timely response "in assessing the Devil Creek gas development project as an important WA energy project".

"Apache Energy is pleased to learn that the EPA report

recommends approval for the Devil Creek project," he said. "The conditions recommended are acceptable. Today's report and recommendations by the EPA are an important milestone towards the project's approval."

The project will see gas piped from the Reindeer field 110km off the coast to the onshore gas plant, where it will be pumped into the Dampier-to-Bunbury gas pipeline.