## EIA Study Advice















## The Challenge

Baseline information is needed to understand the environment that may be affected and predict the interactions between a project and environmental values. The challenge is designing baseline studies to ensure that scientific uncertainty can be addressed, sufficient and appropriate data is available to inform impacts and risks and control measures can be developed to demonstrate to decision makers that impacts can be managed to an acceptable level.





## Why Energise?

Support with the development and review of EPBC referrals and EIS Guidelines.

Utilisation of NOPSEMA's former Chief Environmental Scientist and lead Author of the NOPSEMA / OIR Research Strategy to provide the regulatory context to baseline study development.

Tighter scoping of baseline studies around end user (Regulator) needs.

Facilitation of faster approvals by ensuring that datasets and impact assessment studies are on point.

De-risking approvals by ensuring sufficient information is available to support decision making.

Supporting in addressing responses to Regulatory assessment findings and during regulatory liaison meeting to ensure accurate interpretation of advice and ensure Regulatory creep is avoided.

Collaborating with in-house environmental specialists to find solutions and design additional studies needed to address approval challenges during assessment processes.

## **OUTCOMES**

EIA studies scoped to address end user / regulatory needs and scientific uncertainty

Time and financial, technical resources focused on the key priorities

Science to inform decision making on environmental approvals proportionate to the risk and impact profile of the project