

Western Australia Quarterly Activity Update



This Quarterly Update on our Western Australia (WA) activities outlines proposed activities requiring consultation, as well as information about ongoing and planned activities in the field.

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Planned activities

For all planned activities, please let us know if you would like to receive pre-start and upon completion activity notifications. Please also let us know if you would like to provide feedback about these activities as part of our ongoing consultation activities. Advice at this time would be welcomed if you know of any other authorities, organisations or individuals who we should contact to seek feedback.

Proposed activities

Where timing permits, Santos will publish details in future editions of this update about proposed activities that require consultation as part of the Regulatory approvals process.

Details about how to participate in the consultation process will be included in the respective Quarterly Updates. For these activities, Santos requests contact at the earliest opportunity if you consider that your functions, interests or activities may be affected by the activities and wish to participate in the consultation process. We can then discuss with you consultation methods appropriate to your information needs and interests, as well as arrange a suitable meeting date and location to discuss.

More information

Santos publishes fact sheets about proposed activities on the Consultation Hub section of its web site. You can also contact us at offshore.consultation@santos.com or call us toll free on **1800 267 600**.





Carnarvon Basin activities

Activities at a glance in the Carnarvon Basin

Operations activities:

- Varanus Island Hub operations – gas and condensate production.

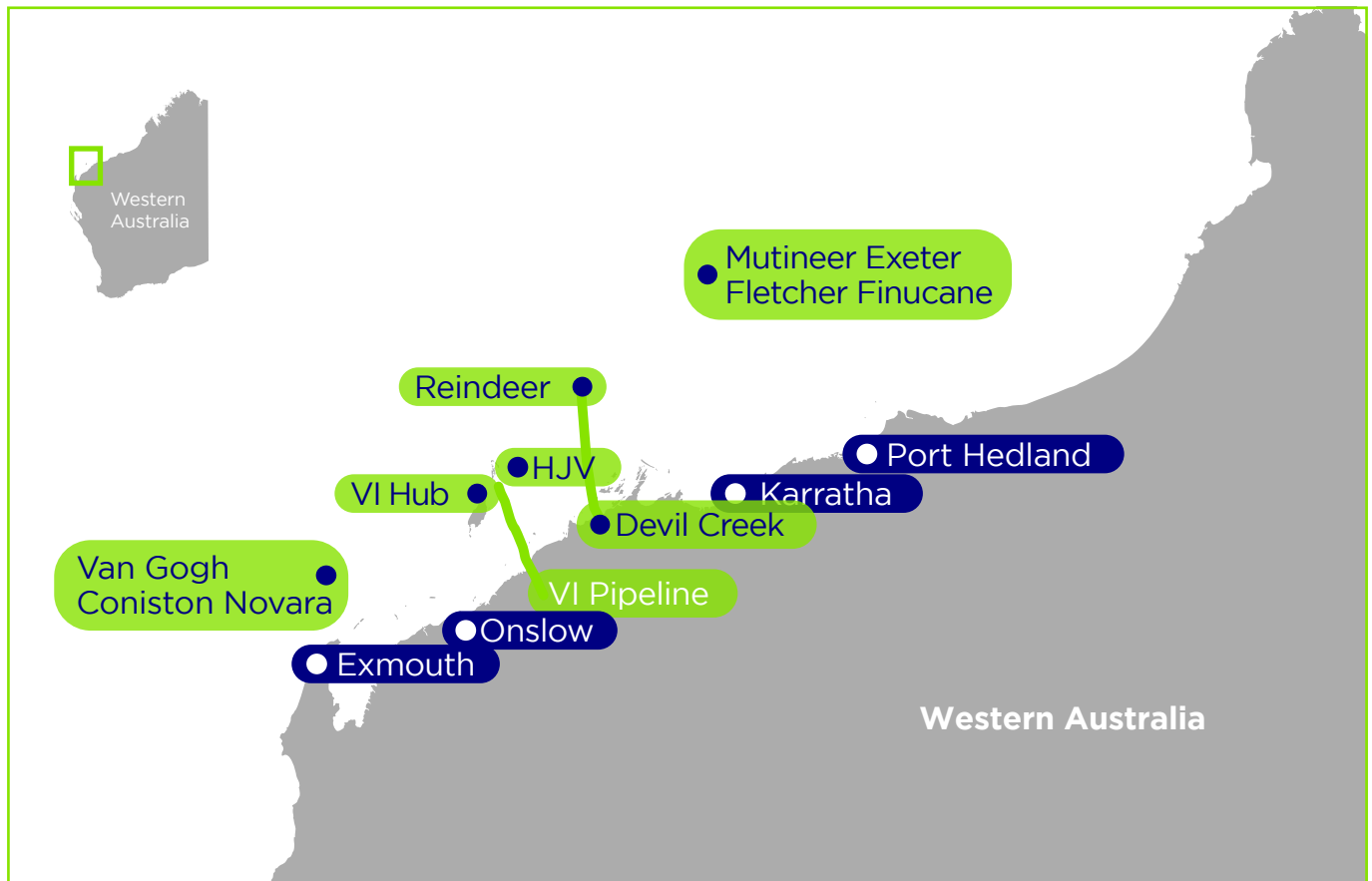
Cessation of Production (CoP) activities:

- Devil Creek Gas Plant.
- Reindeer Wellhead Platform.
- Ningaloo Vision and floating assets.

Decommissioning activities:

- Harriet Joint Venture (HJV) – Harriet Alpha platform removal.
- WA-20-L wellhead monitoring.
- VI state waters wells decommissioning.
- Van Gogh Coniston Novara (VGCN) 4HGI ST1 well decommissioning.
- GI well decommissioning.
- Mutineer Exeter Fletcher Finucane (MEFF) fields subsea asset removal.

Please refer to [Santos Consultation Hub](#) to find out more about our proposed activities.



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Operations activities				
Approval document	Activity summary/status	Location	Approval status	Exclusion zone details
Varanus Island (VI) Hub Operations Environment Plan (State).	<p>Operations at VI are continuing including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VI condensate and domestic gas export. • Cessation of production and suspension of some operations of VI Hub offshore facilities in state waters, including production pipelines, and care and maintenance of platform structures in preparation for decommissioning. • Environmental monitoring program ongoing at Varanus and Airlie Islands. <p>Refurbishment of VI condensate storage tank B is continuing. Completion of these works, conducted during daylight hours only, is expected to end approximately Q2 2026.</p>	State waters surrounding Varanus Island, which is located 58 km north from the mainland. State waters surrounding Airlie Island, which is located 35 km from the mainland.	<p>EP under assessment. A revision to the five-year in-force EP was submitted to Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration (DMPE) in September 2025. Activities are ongoing under the in-force EP.</p>	500 m around all offshore platforms (coordinates available on request) and VI, 250 m either side of pipelines and 1000 m restricted access zone around the VI Marine Terminal.
Varanus Island Hub (Commonwealth) Environment Plan	<p>Operations at VI are continuing. The Varanus Island (VI) Hub in Commonwealth Waters consists of the John Brookes, Spartan and Greater East Spar (GES) gas fields in offshore Commonwealth waters on the North West Shelf of WA.</p> <p>Production fluids from these fields are transported by subsea pipelines to the VI Hub located in State waters.</p>	Commonwealth waters surrounding the John Brookes platform and associated subsea infrastructure and the Spartan and Greater East Spar wells and associated subsea infrastructure. Located approximately 127 km northwest of Karratha.	<p>EP accepted in December 2024. A revision is being prepared to include the operation of an additional well at the John Brookes Expansion (JB-7). Activities are ongoing under the in-force EP.</p>	500 m around all offshore platforms (coordinates available on request) and VI, 250 m either side of pipelines.

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Cessation of Production activities				
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Devil Creek Gas Supply Pipeline and Sales Gas Pipeline Operations Environment Plan (onshore and State waters).	<p>The Devil Creek (DC) Gas Plant entered cessation of production in Q3 2025.</p> <p>Key activities this quarter include monitoring, flushing and preservation of equipment and pipeline for future decommissioning or repurposing activities.</p>	<p>The DC supply pipeline is located approximately 12 km west of the Dampier Archipelago at the closest point.</p> <p>The DC supply pipeline in state waters is 48.3 km in length and extends from the Commonwealth/ State boundary to the shoreline at Gnoorea Point.</p>	<p>EP accepted by Department of Mines, Petroleum & Exploration (DMPE) on 24 June 2025.</p> <p>Future decommissioning or repurposing activities will be subject to a separate EP.</p>	<p>No exclusion zone around the pipeline.</p> <p>500 m safety exclusion zone around primary vessel during activity.</p>
Reindeer Wellhead Platform and Offshore Gas Supply Pipeline Operations and Cessation of Production Environment Plan (Commonwealth).	<p>The Reindeer Wellhead Platform and the Commonwealth waters section of the Devil Creek gas supply pipeline entered cessation of production in Q3 2025.</p> <p>Activities this quarter include ongoing inspection and maintenance of the pipeline which has been flushed and preserved for future decommissioning or repurposing activities.</p>	<p>The Reindeer gas field is located within permit area WA-41-L, approximately 80 km northwest of Dampier, in the Barrow Sub-basin on the Northwest Shelf, offshore of WA.</p>	<p>EP accepted by the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) on 8 May 2025.</p> <p>Future decommissioning or repurposing activities will be subject to a separate EP.</p>	<p>500 m petroleum safety zone (PSZ) around well head platform.</p> <p>500 m safety exclusion zone around primary vessel during activity.</p>

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Cessation of Production activities				
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Ningaloo Vision Cessation of Production and Floating Asset Removal Environment Plan (Commonwealth).	<p>The Ningaloo Vision FPSO entered cessation of production in August 2025 and permanently left the field for decommissioning.</p> <p>With the Ningaloo Vision FPSO no longer in the field, the vessel's Disconnectable Turret Mooring (DTM), a large mooring buoy structure, is submerged at a depth of between 30 to 40 metres.</p> <p>EP activity includes removal of floating assets (including the DTM) which is currently scheduled for 2026 and inspection, monitoring, maintenance and repair (IMMR) activities on remaining subsea infrastructure until decommissioning. Decommissioning of subsea infrastructure will be subject to a future EP.</p>	The Ningaloo Vision DTM is approximately 45 km north northwest off the Cape Range Peninsula in WA.	EP accepted by NOPSEMA on 23 December 2024.	500 m around DTM.

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Decommissioning activities				
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Harriet Joint Venture (HJV) Offshore Platforms Decommissioning Environment Plan (State) & Harriet Joint Venture Simpson Offshore Facilities Decommissioning Environment Plan (State).	<p>This project involves the decommissioning of the HJV field, comprising removal of all platforms and decommissioning of substructures, as well as pipelines associated with the Simpson facility. Preparatory activities commenced in Q3 2025, with the Bambra Sea pole, Harriet Alpha flare and Gipsy subsea template removed in late 2025. The Harriet Alpha platform is the first platform to be removed from the field under the HJV Offshore Platforms Decommissioning EP. The Harriet Alpha platform removal was safely and successfully completed in March 2026.</p>	The HJV field is approximately 117 km west of Dampier and 117 km northeast of Onslow.	<p>EP for HJV Simpson Offshore Facilities (two platforms and offshore pipelines) accepted by DMPE in December 2024.</p> <p>EP for HJV Offshore platforms for remaining platforms and structures accepted by DMPE in September 2024.</p>	A 500 m radius PSZ around each platform for the duration of the activity.
WA-20-L Environment Plan (Commonwealth).	The EP includes the presence of the Legendre-1 wellhead and vessel-based monitoring in the WA-20-L permit area. The monitoring campaign is planned to be carried out in approximately 2028.	The WA-20-L permit area is approximately 105 km north of Dampier in Commonwealth waters.	EP 'accepted with conditions and/or limitations' by NOPSEMA on 10 February 2025.	The wellhead is charted on Australian Hydrographic Service nautical charts so that marine users are aware of its location.
Varanus Island (VI) State Waters Wells Decommissioning Environment Plan (State).	<p>The project involves the decommissioning of multiple wells across seven platforms (Agincourt, Double Island, Victoria, Wonnich, Linda, Harriet Bravo, and Harriet Charlie) in WA state waters.</p> <p>Subject to EP approval, proposed offshore execution date is approximately 2027.</p>	The platforms are located in state waters around Varanus Island.	EP submitted to DMPE for assessment in December 2025.	A 500 m radius PSZ around each platform.

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Van Gogh Coniston Novara 4HGI ST1 Well Decommissioning	<p>Santos is proposing to suspend or decommission the VGA-4H GI ST1 well within the VGCN fields.</p> <p>The proposed activities are planned to commence as early as Q3 2026, subject to obtaining all regulatory and business approvals.</p>	The VGA-4H GI ST1 well Operational Area is located within Commonwealth waters approximately 44 km north northwest of the North West Cape and 60 km north of Exmouth, WA.	EP is under development and will be submitted to NOPSEMA for assessment.	500 m PSZ around the VGA-4H GI ST1 well.
Mutineer Exeter Fletcher Finucane (MEFF) Cessation of Production and Decommissioning Environment Plan (Commonwealth).	<p>Activities this quarter in the MEFF fields include ongoing inspection, monitoring, maintenance and repair (IMMR) on subsea equipment in the title area until removed, or decommissioned under the approved EP. The decommissioning activity is estimated to start Q2 2026 and be completed Q4 2026 and will include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • removal of subsea equipment normally located on the seabed during production and • abandonment in situ of six deeply buried steel anchors and the corresponding buried steel mooring chains. 	The MEFF fields are approximately 160 km north of Dampier.	EP accepted by NOPSEMA in October 2024.	Existing (gazetted) PSZs established around the MEFF DTM and manifold locations.



Bedout Basin activities

Activities at a glance in the Bedout Basin

Exploration activities:

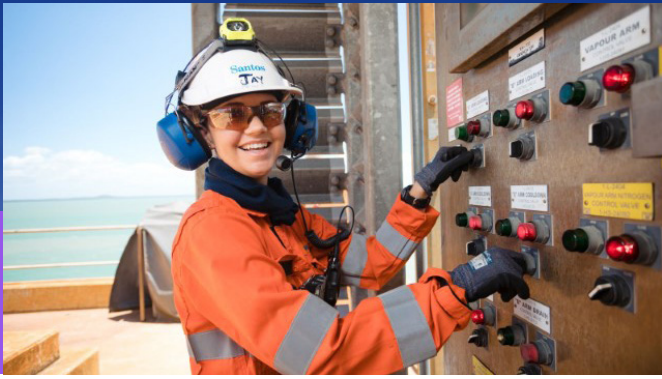
- Bedout West Multi-well EP to drill up to seven exploration and appraisal wells.
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- Keraudren Phase 3 Marine Seismic Survey (MSS).

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Bedout Multi-Well Exploration and Appraisal Drilling Environment Plan.	The EP will have a validity of five years to allow for the drilling of up to seven wells (exploration and appraisal wells) across three permits. The planned scope of activities under this EP has been revised and will now occur within three (not four) specific Operational Areas (OAs). The three OAs are Curie (with a reduced OA size), Wallace and Ara. The Mistral OA has been removed from this EP and will be transferred to the Bedout East Multi-Well Exploration and Appraisal Drilling EP. The proposed activities are planned to commence in 2027, subject to obtaining all regulatory and business approvals.	The closest Operational Area to the WA mainland (Curie) is approximately 170 km north of Port Hedland, WA.	EP planned for resubmission to NOPSEMA June 2026.	Subject to EP approval.
Bedout East Multi-Well Exploration and Appraisal Drilling Environment Plan.	The EP will have a validity of five years to allow for the drilling of up to seven wells (exploration and appraisal wells) across three permits. Activities will occur within four specific Operational Areas proposed activities planned to commence early 2027, subject to obtaining all regulatory and business approvals.	The closest Operational Area to the WA mainland (Mistral) is approximately 123 km north of Port Hedland, WA.	The EP is under development and will be submitted to NOPSEMA for assessment.	Subject to EP approval.
Keraudren Phase 3 Marine Seismic Survey (MSS) Environment Plan.	Santos is seeking to acquire subsurface data via a 3D Marine Seismic Survey in Commonwealth waters in the Bedout Basin. The proposed survey is located near the previous Keraudren Surveys completed by Santos in 2021 and 2022 respectively. The proposed survey is scheduled for approximately 2028.	The survey location is in petroleum titles WA-437-P and WA-438-P and surrounding waters, located approximately 130 km northeast of Port Hedland and 64 km north of Cartaminia Point on the WA coastline at the closest point.	The EP is under development and will be submitted to NOPSEMA for assessment in 2026.	Subject to EP approval.



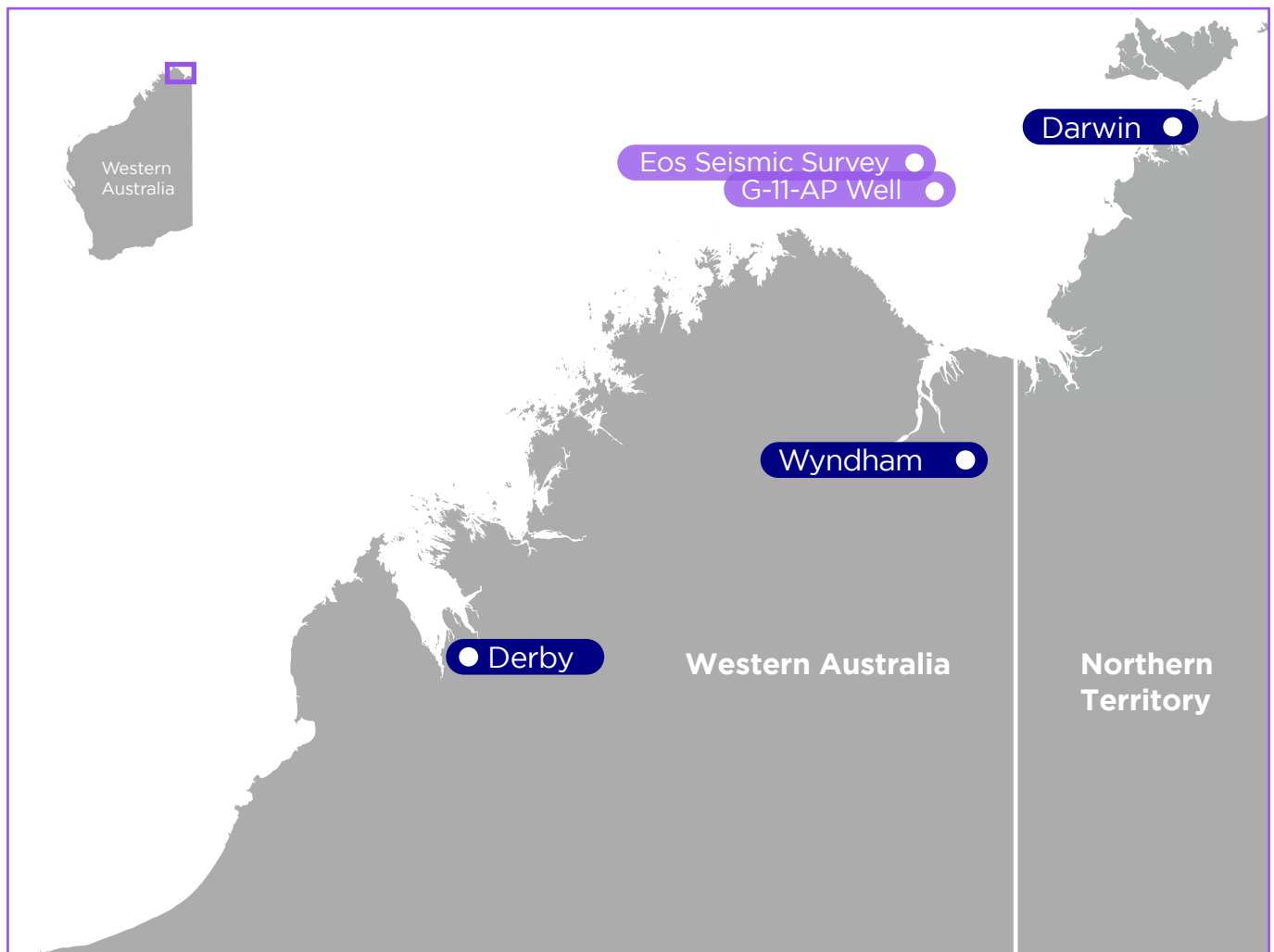
Bonaparte Basin activities

Activities at a glance in the Bonaparte Basin

Exploration Activities:

- G-11-AP CCS exploration well.
- Eos 3D Marine Seismic Survey (MSS).

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Bonaparte Basin activities

Exploration activities				
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G-11-AP CCS Appraisal Drilling Environment Plan.	<p>Santos is planning to drill up to three wells in greenhouse gas permit G-11-AP, starting with the Astraea-1 well. The purpose of the well is to identify subsea geological formations for the potential injection and storage of carbon dioxide (CO₂).</p> <p>The proposed activity is planned to commence as early as the first half of 2027, subject to obtaining all regulatory and business approvals.</p>	The Operational Area for the Astraea-1 well is approximately 115 km from the nearest coastline and approximately 275 km west-southwest from Darwin, NT.	<p>The EP is under development and will be submitted to NOPSEMA for assessment.</p> <p>Submission to NOPSEMA planned for Q2 2026.</p>	Subject to EP approval.
Eos 3D Marine Seismic Survey (MSS) Environment Plan.	<p>Santos is seeking to acquire subsurface data via a 3D Marine Seismic Survey to appraise the CCS potential of greenhouse gas permit G-11-AP in Commonwealth waters in the Bonaparte Basin.</p> <p>Activity commencement is planned for Q3 2026.</p>	Survey location is approximately 107 km from the nearest WA coastline and approximately 102 km from the nearest NT coastline.	EP accepted by NOPSEMA on 17 February 2026.	A minimum 3 nm (5.6 km) exclusion (safety) zone is defined around the seismic survey vessel and streamers.

Consultation

Activity notifications

All activities will be managed under Regulator-accepted EPs. Please contact us if you would like to be notified prior to, during or following the completion of any activities listed above.

Email: offshore.consultation@santos.com
Toll free phone: 1800 267 600.

Consultation Hub

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Copies of Environment Plans

Copies of all Environment Plans (Commonwealth) under consideration or accepted by the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA), are available on the regulator's website: Industry environment plans.

Copies of Environment Plan Summaries (State) under consideration or accepted by the Department of Mines, Petroleum, and Exploration (DMPE), are available on their website.

<https://ace.dmp.wa.gov.au/ACE/Public/PetroleumProposals>

