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FIGURE A1.1: HISTOGRAM FOR KARRATHA

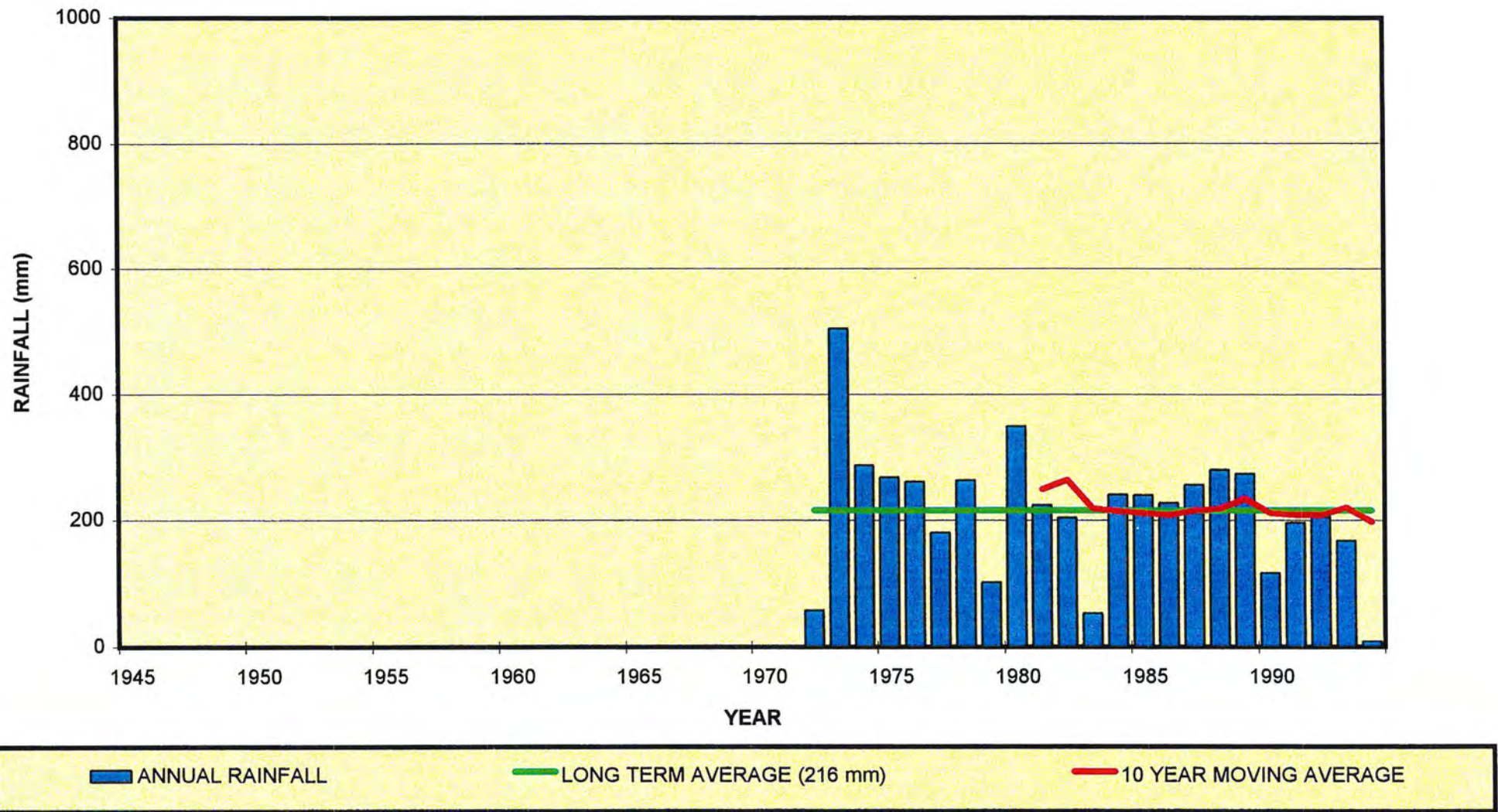


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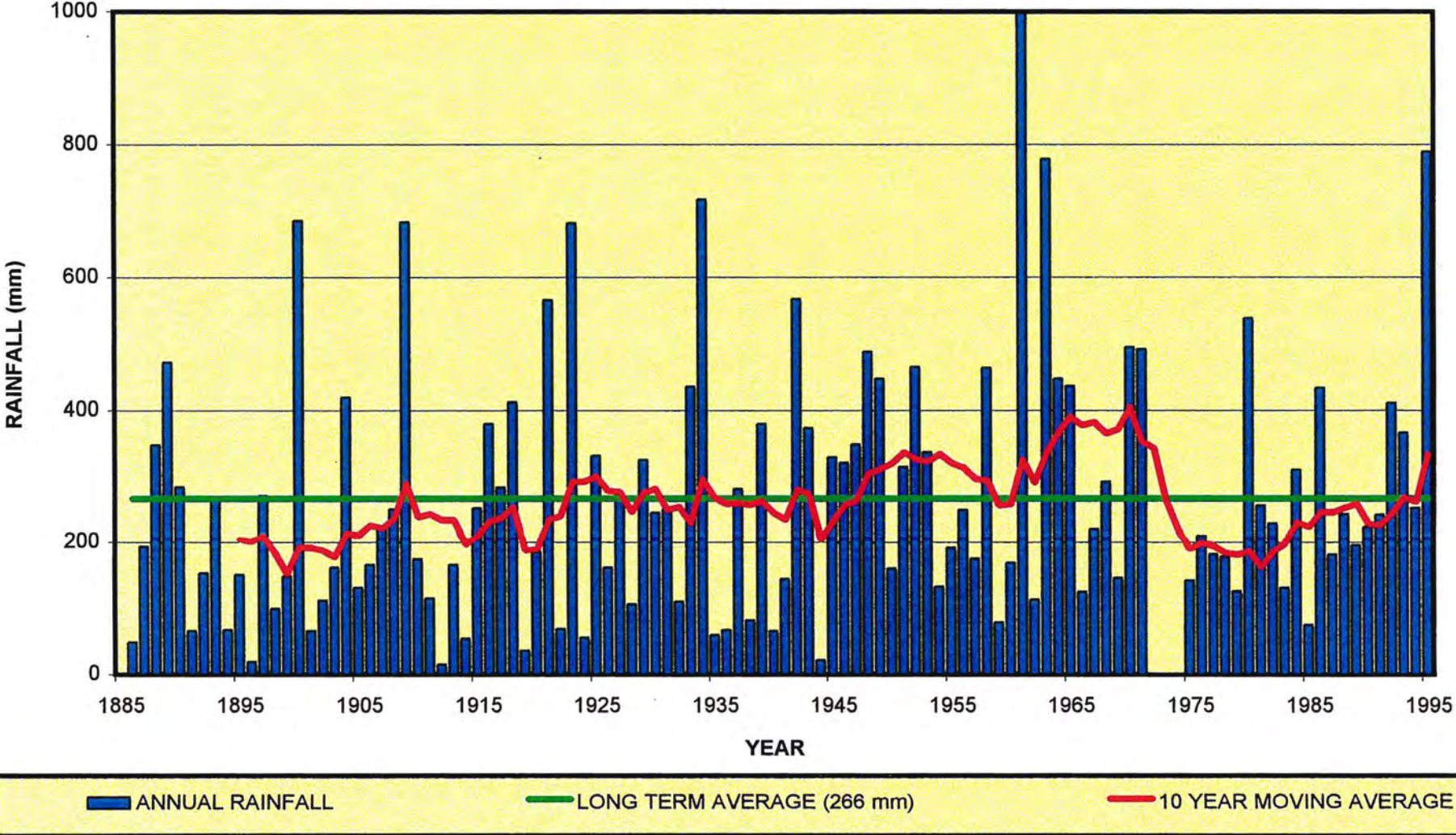




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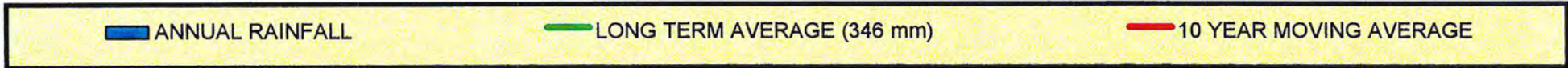
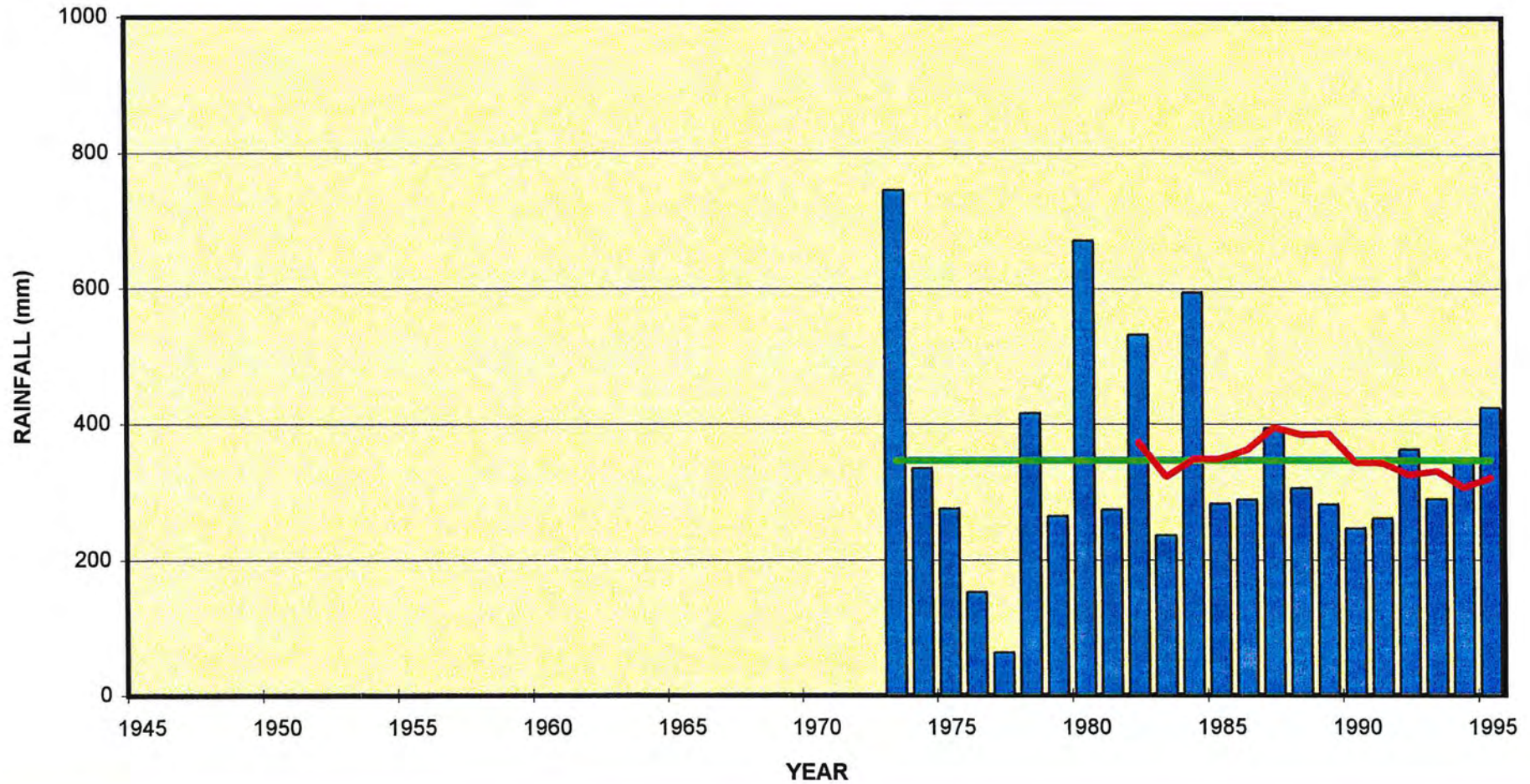


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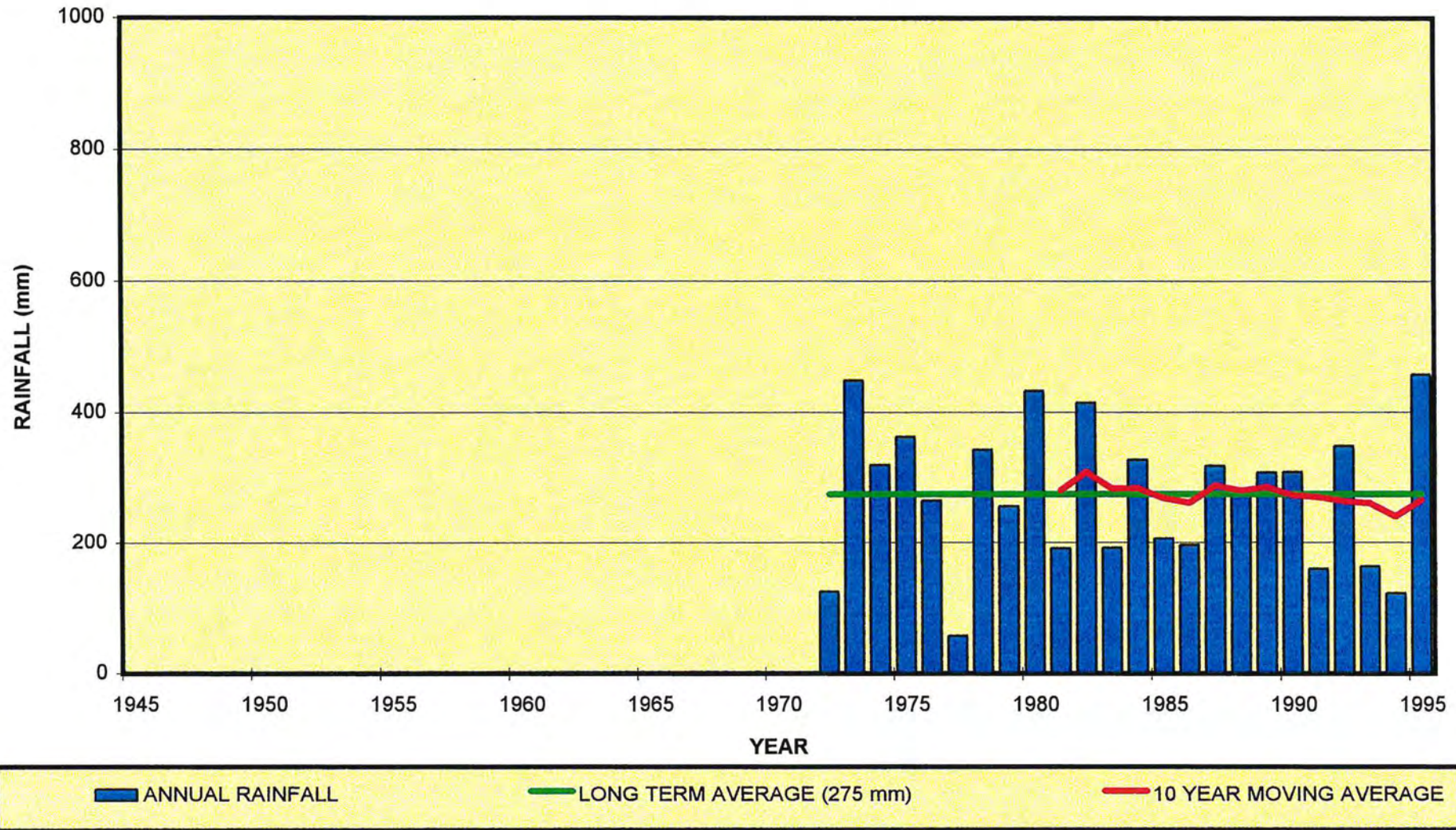


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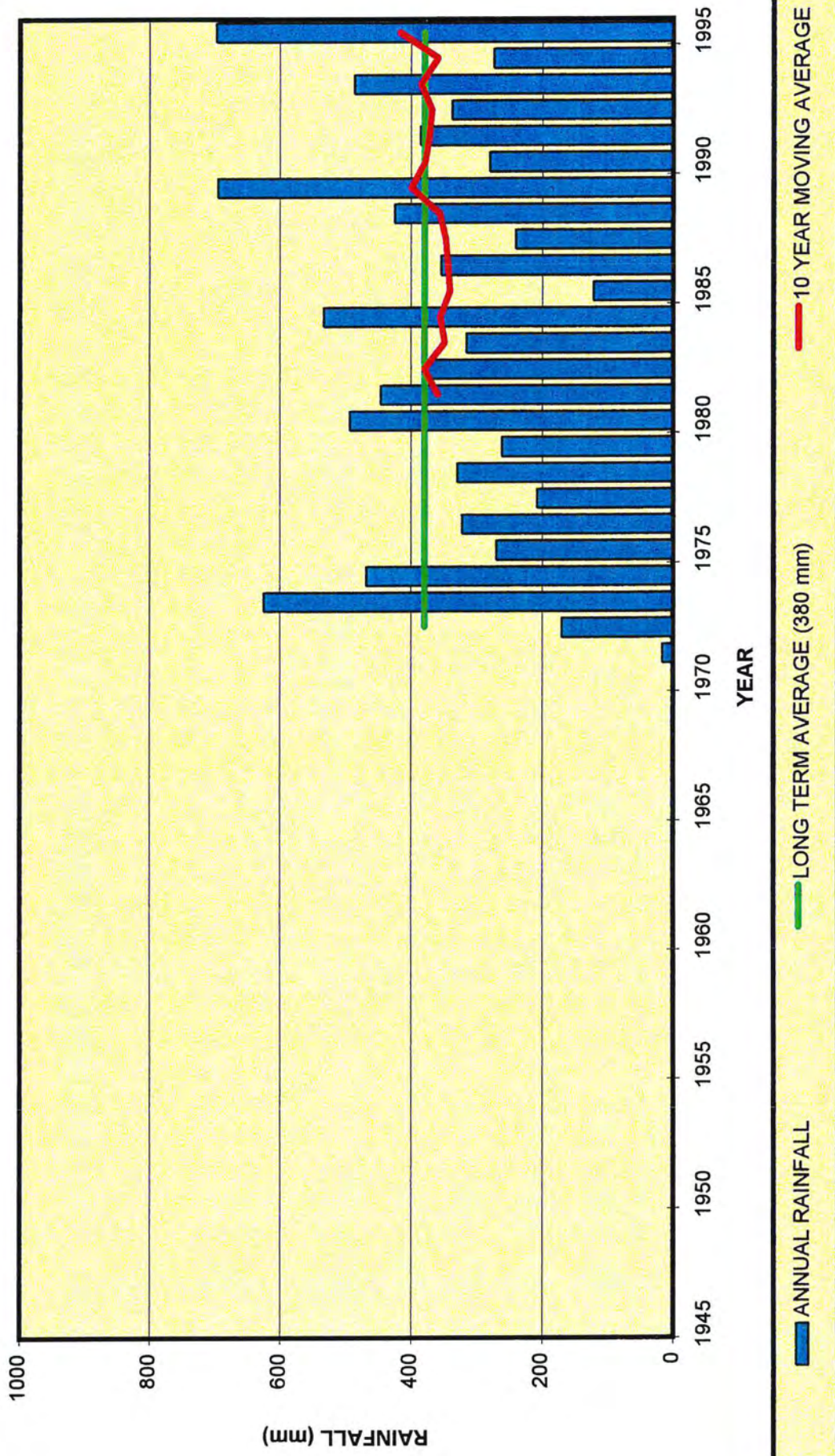


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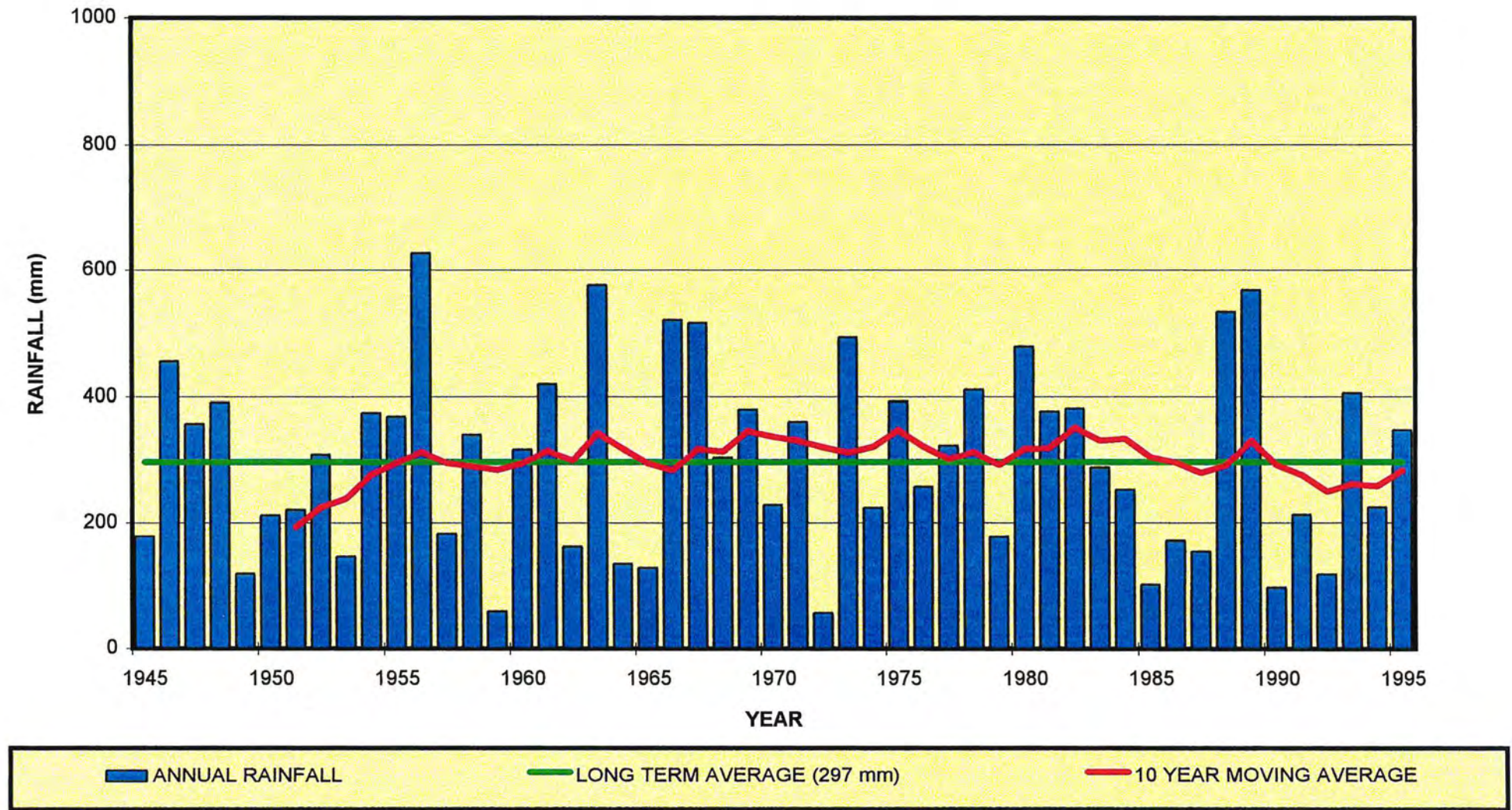


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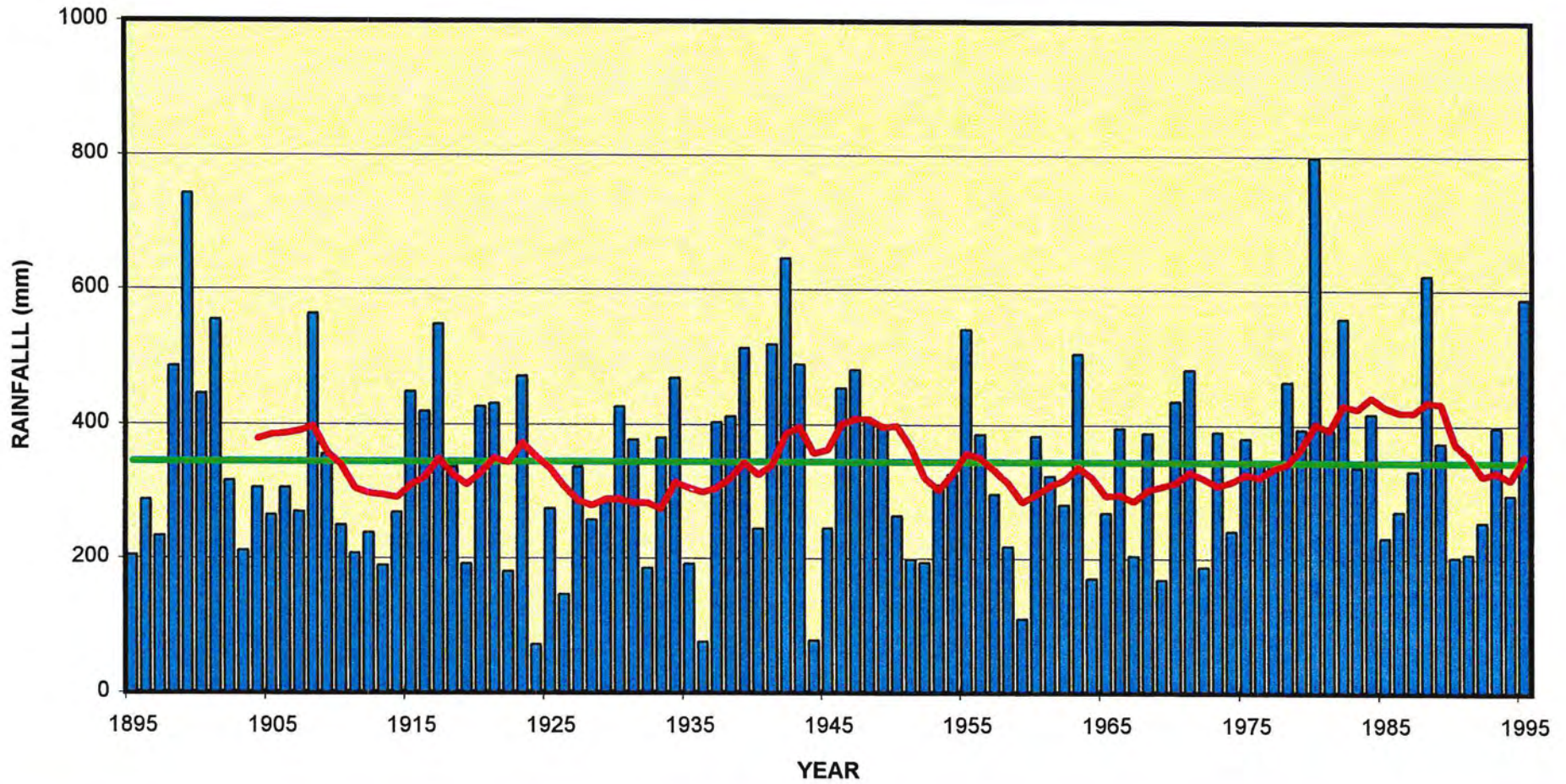


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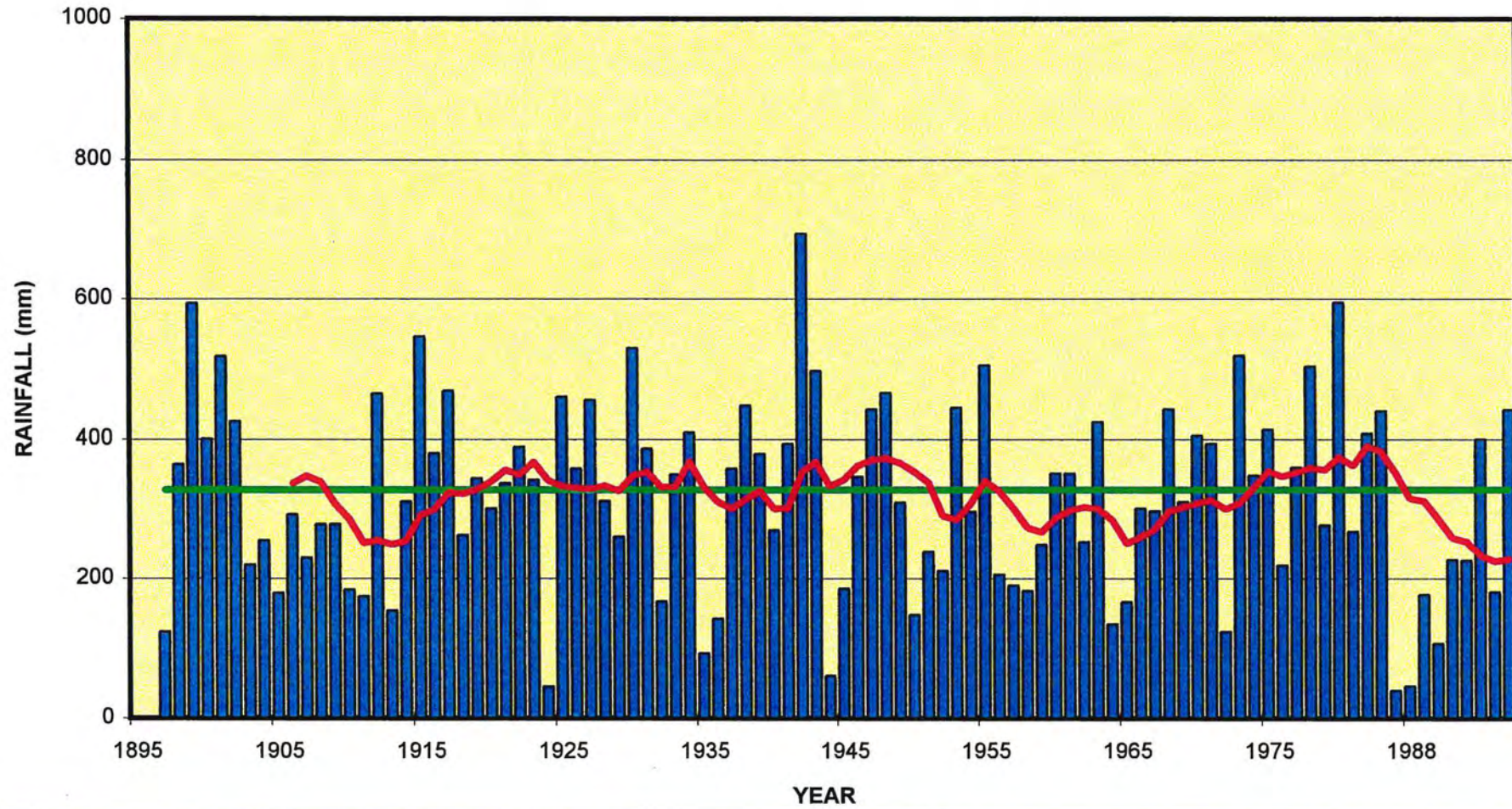


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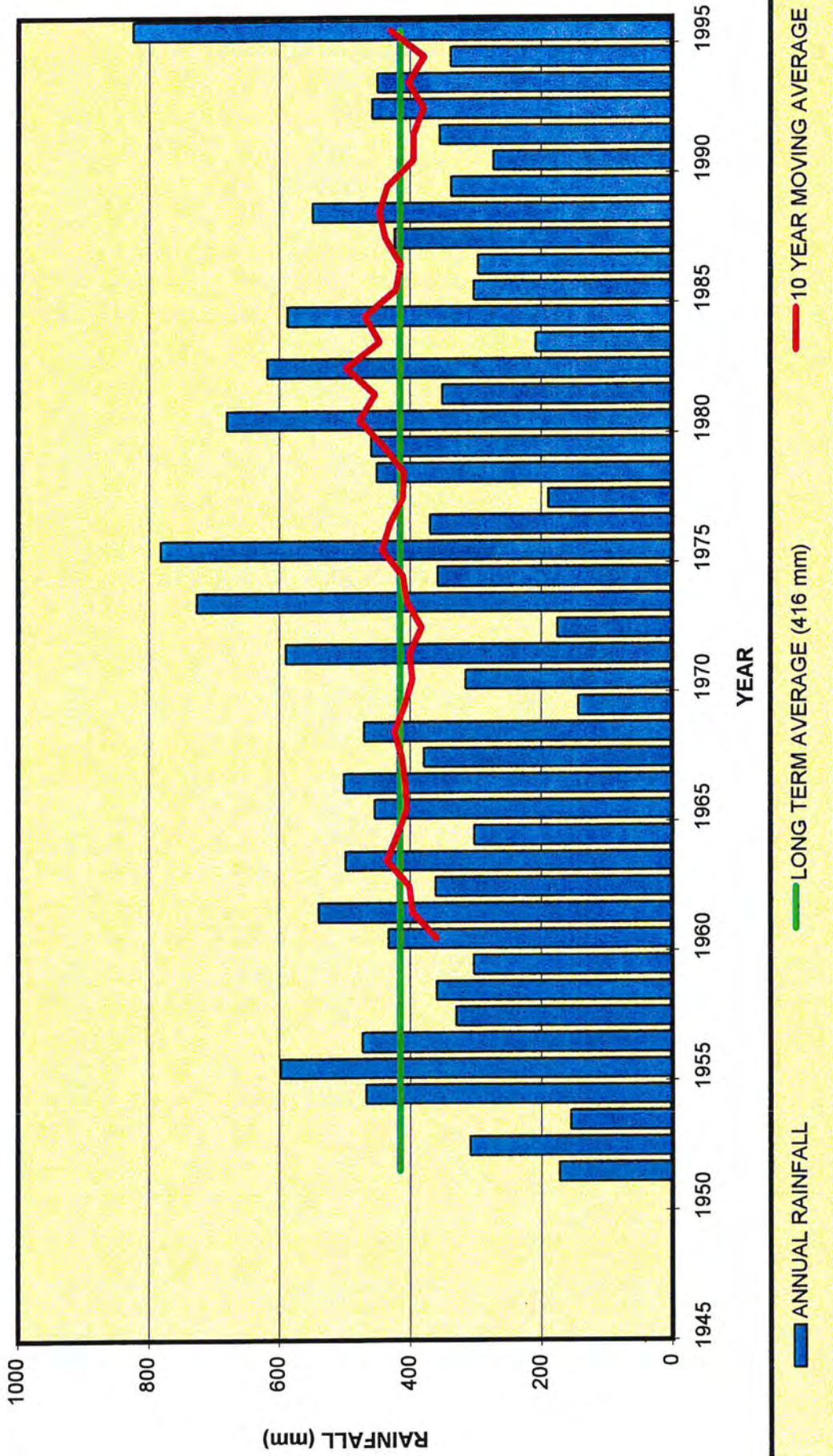


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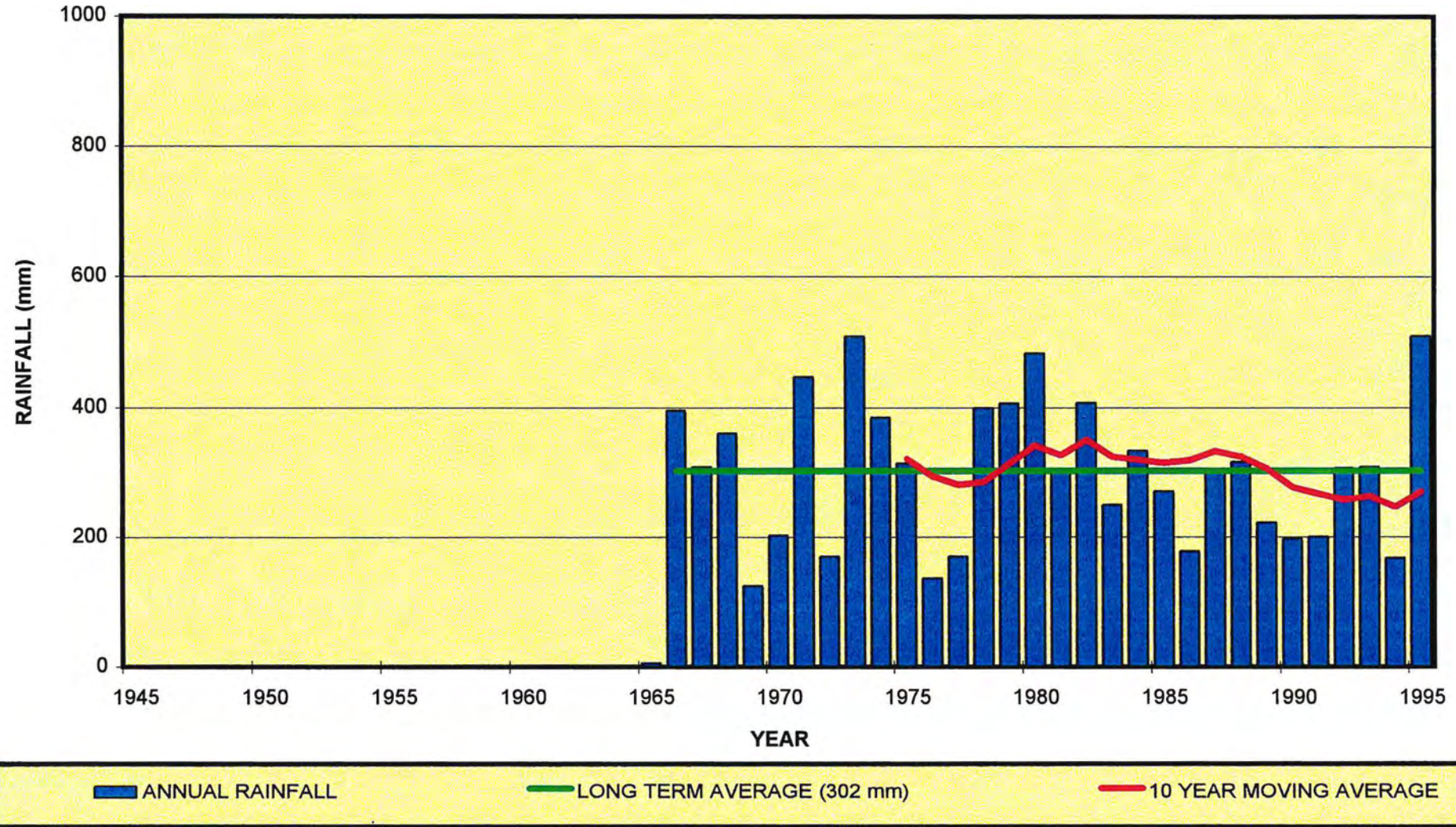
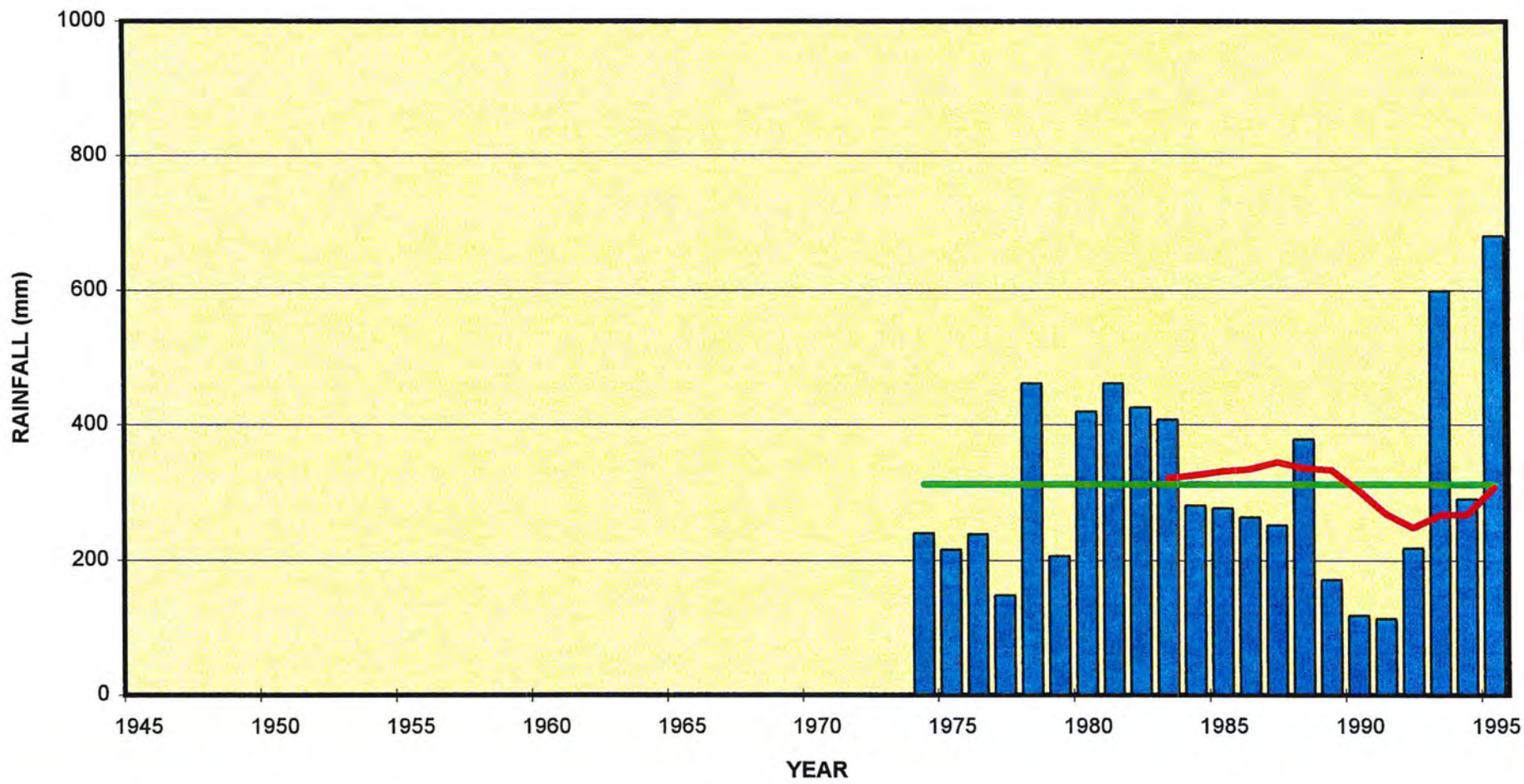




FIGURE A1.11: HISTOGRAM FOR TELFER



## **Appendix 2: Physiography and Geology**

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***Figure A2. 1: Physiographic Subdivisions of the Pilbara Region  
(modified after Beard, 1975)***

***Figure A2. 2: Major Geological Subdivisions of the Pilbara Region***

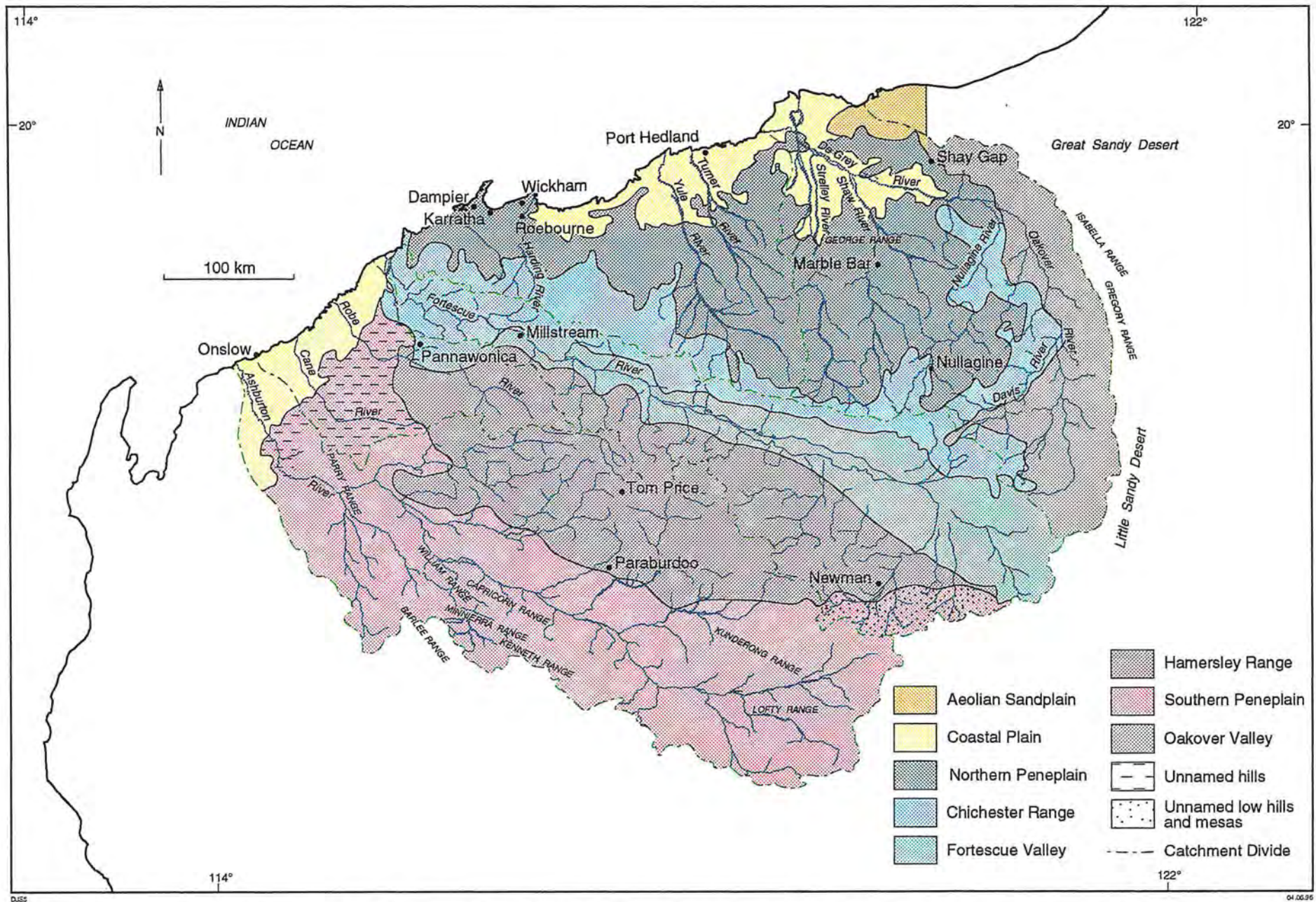
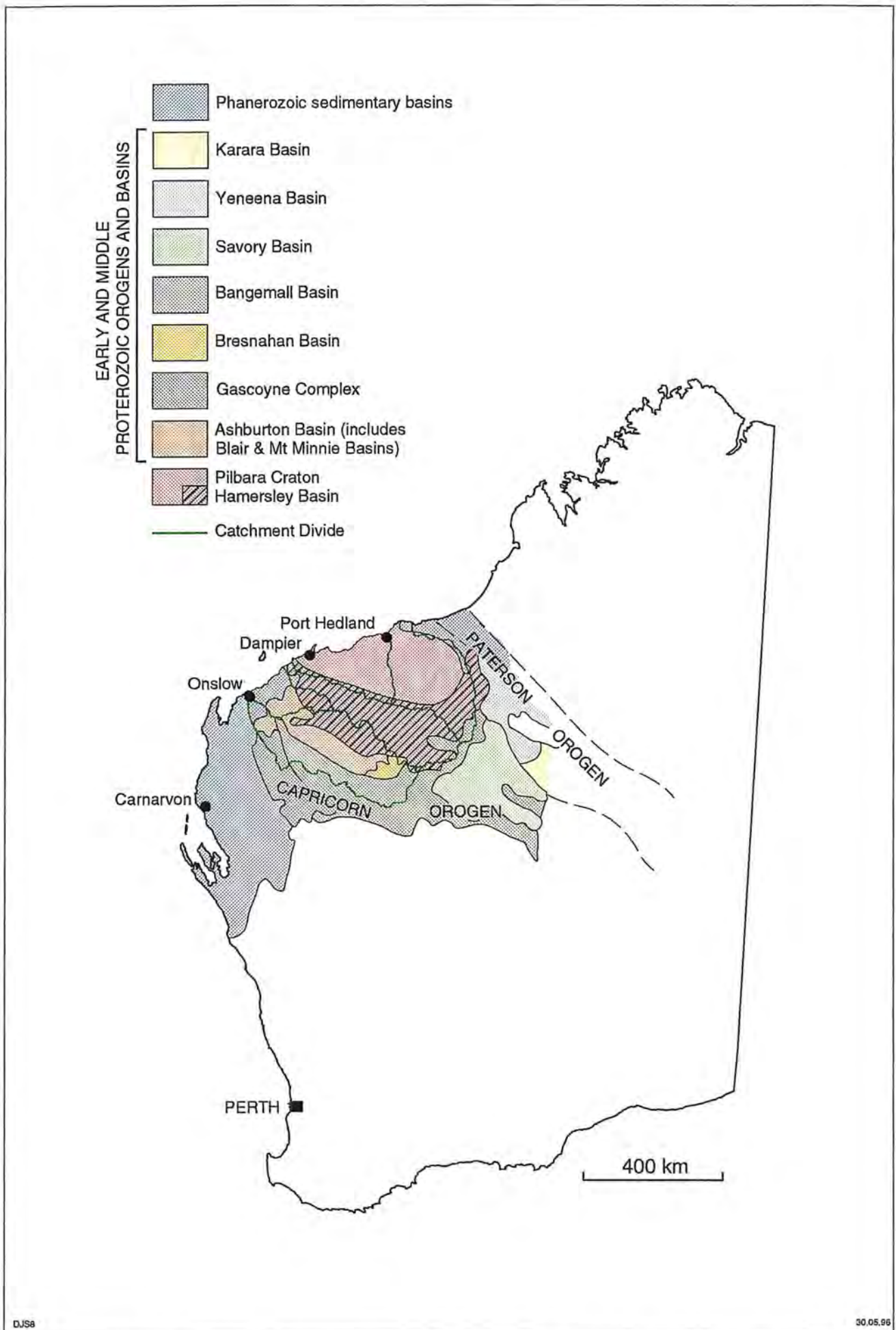


Figure A2.1:(source: Skidmore,1996) Physiographic Subdivisions at the Pilbara Region (modified after Beard, 1975).



**Figure A2.2:(source: Skidmore,1996)  
Major geological subdivisions of the Pilbara Region**

## **Appendix 3: Surface Water Resources**

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**Surface Water Source:****Ashburton River****River Basin: Ashburton****AWRC Basin No: 706**

**Location:** DS340 (Capricorn Range)  
7 423 200 m N, 478 600 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 41400 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 375 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 - 3700 mm/annum  
Alienated: 50%  
Cleared: No significant clearing.  
Land use: 50% vacant Crown land and Reserves, 50% sheep and cattle grazing on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 320  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 37

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

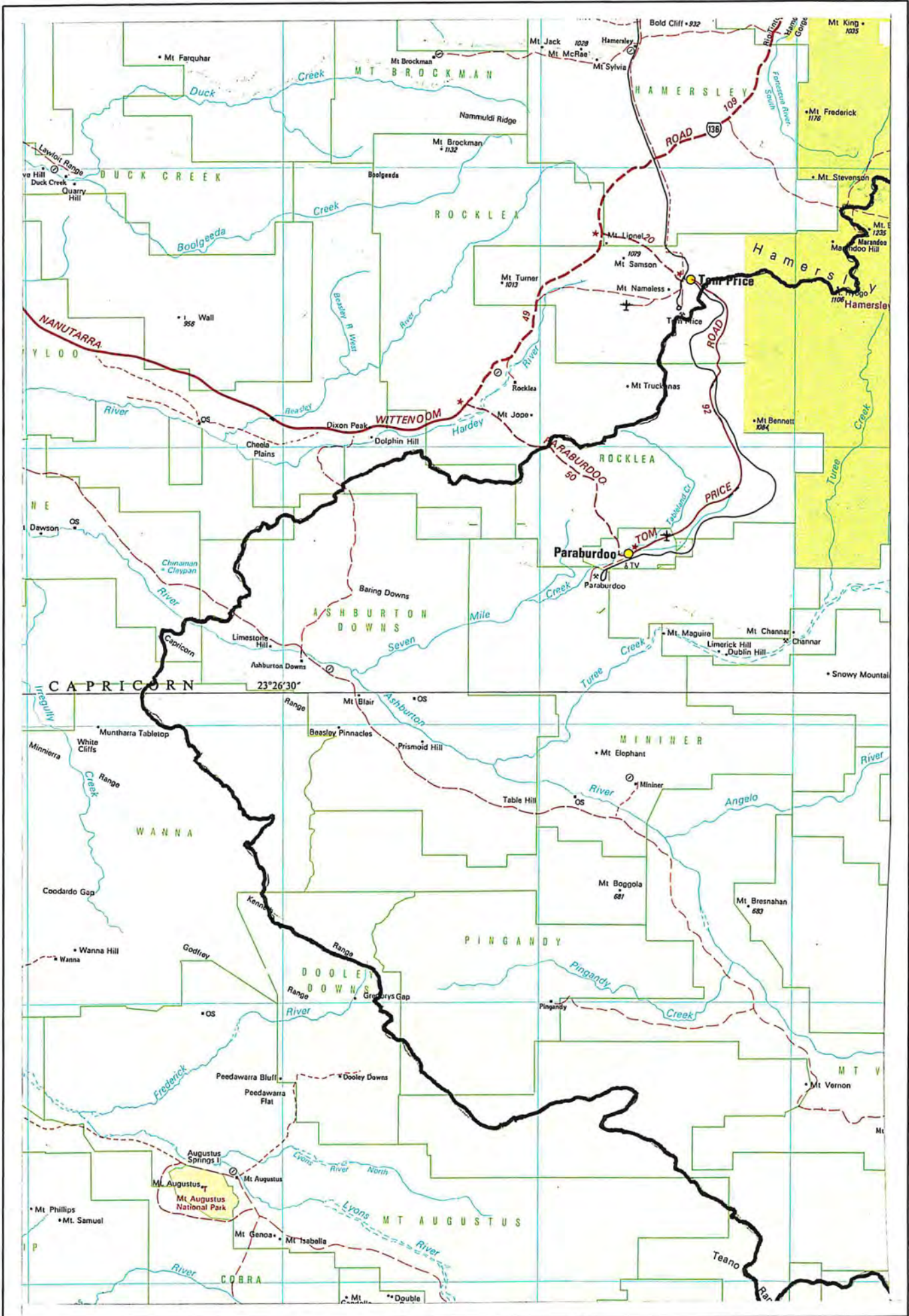
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The potential yield is based on a single reservoir. Additional yield may be available if this site is used conjunctively with a groundwater source.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Ashburton River

**River Basin: Onslow Coast****AWRC Basin No: 707**

**Location:** DS124  
7 594 500 m N, 456 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 3000 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated: 40%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along river frontage.  
Land use: 60% vacant Crown land in ranges, 40% sheep and cattle on pastoral leases, some open cut ore mining.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 27  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 4

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

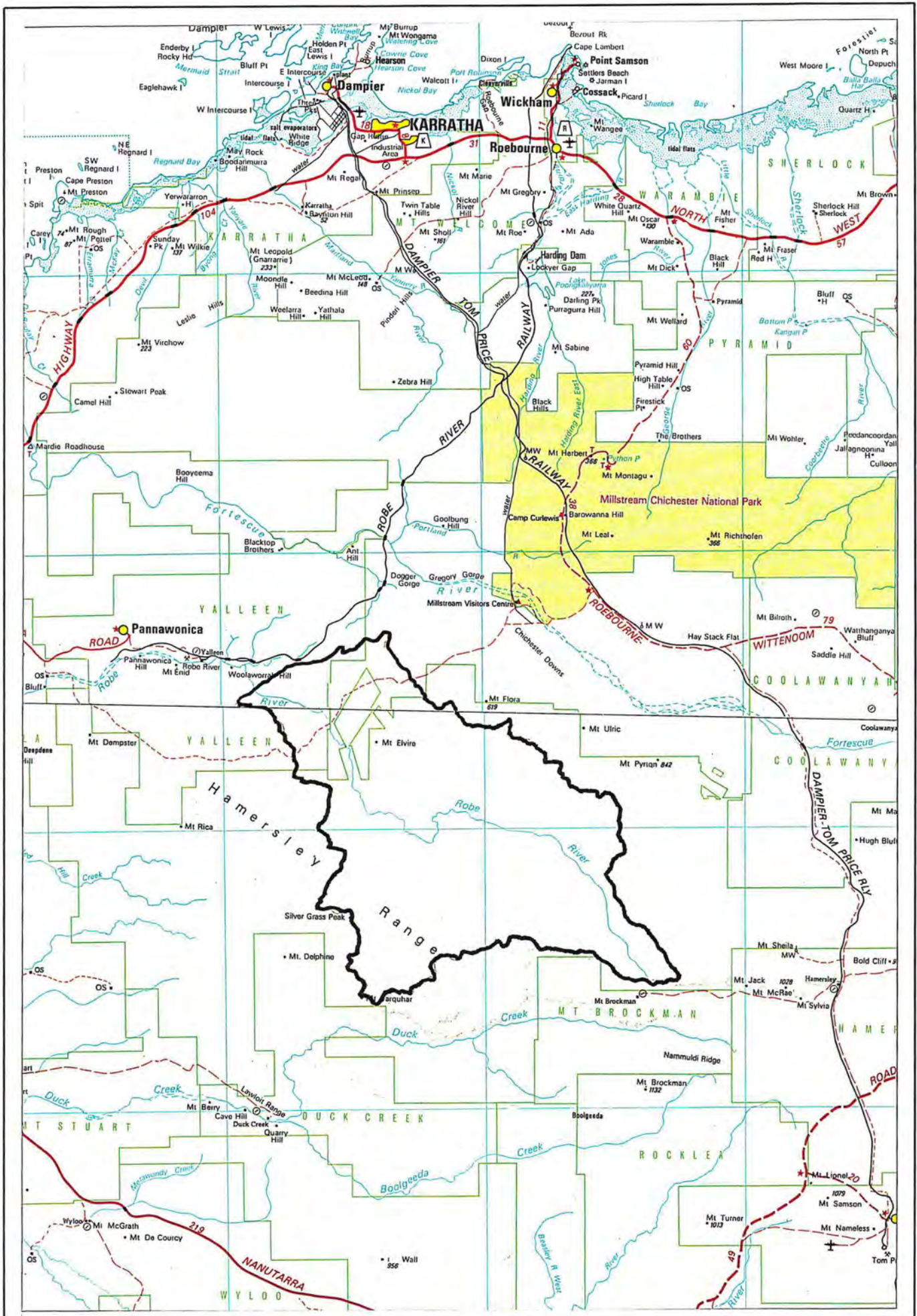
**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Aboriginals in the past have indicated they would not object to a dam being constructed.
2. Loss of extensive area of River Gum forest and woodland associated shrublands of the valley floor. Similar areas upstream and downstream of the reservoir would remain.
3. Loss of temporary pools in the reservoir area and reduction in flooding causing further reduction of temporary aquatic habitats downstream of the dam. However, these habitats, being temporary, do not have the biological value of pools on the Harding, Sherlock or Fortescue Rivers.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data for estimated divertible flows is poor. Treatment for turbidity may be required.





Robe River

**River Basin: Onslow Coast****AWRC Basin No: 707**

**Location:** DS154  
7 577 000 m N, 474 300 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 1970 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along river frontage.  
Land use: 40% vacant Crown land in ranges, 60% sheep and cattle on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 18  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 9

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

**Existing Developments:**

WC:  
Other:  
Current uses:

**Possible future uses:**

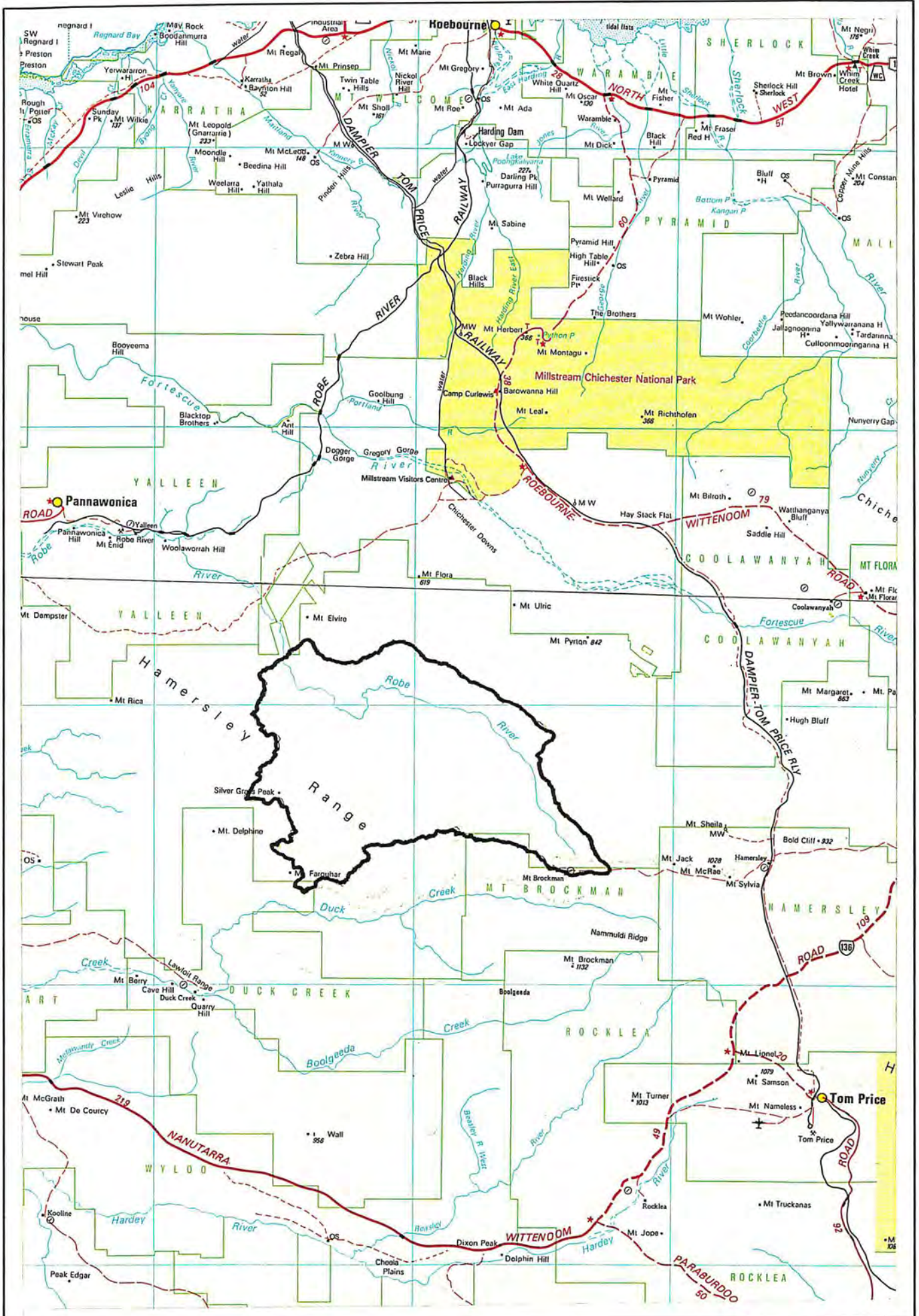
Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

The Robe River Catchment is the subject of extensive mining claims and these have a profound impact on the development of water resources.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data for the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.



Robe River

**River Basin: Onslow Coast****AWRC Basin No: 707**

**Location:** DS20  
7 588 200 m N, 482 300 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 506 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along river frontage.  
Land use: 40% vacant Crown land in ranges, 60% sheep and cattle on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 2.5  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 0

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

**Existing Developments:**

WC:  
Other:  
Current uses:

**Possible future uses:**

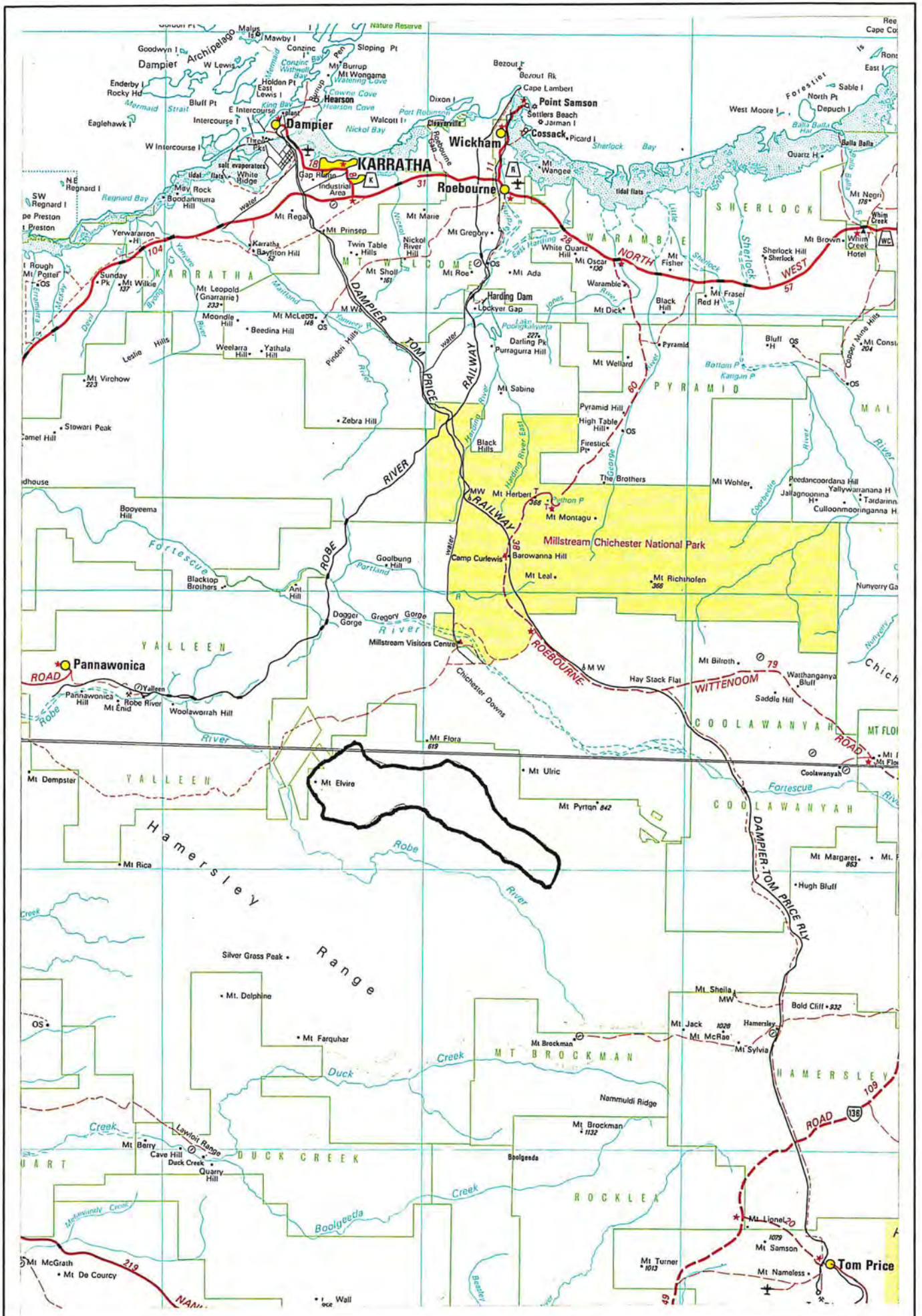
Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

The base of the Hamersley Ranges, between Kumina Creek and Robe River, is the subject of a State Agreement mining tenement associated with the Robe River Mining operation.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data for estimated divertible flows is poor.



Kumina Creek

**Surface Water Source:****Cane River****River Basin: Onslow Coast****AWRC Basin No: 707**

**Location:** DS74  
7 559 000 m N, 358 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 2290 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 62  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 6

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: 150 mg/L TSS.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

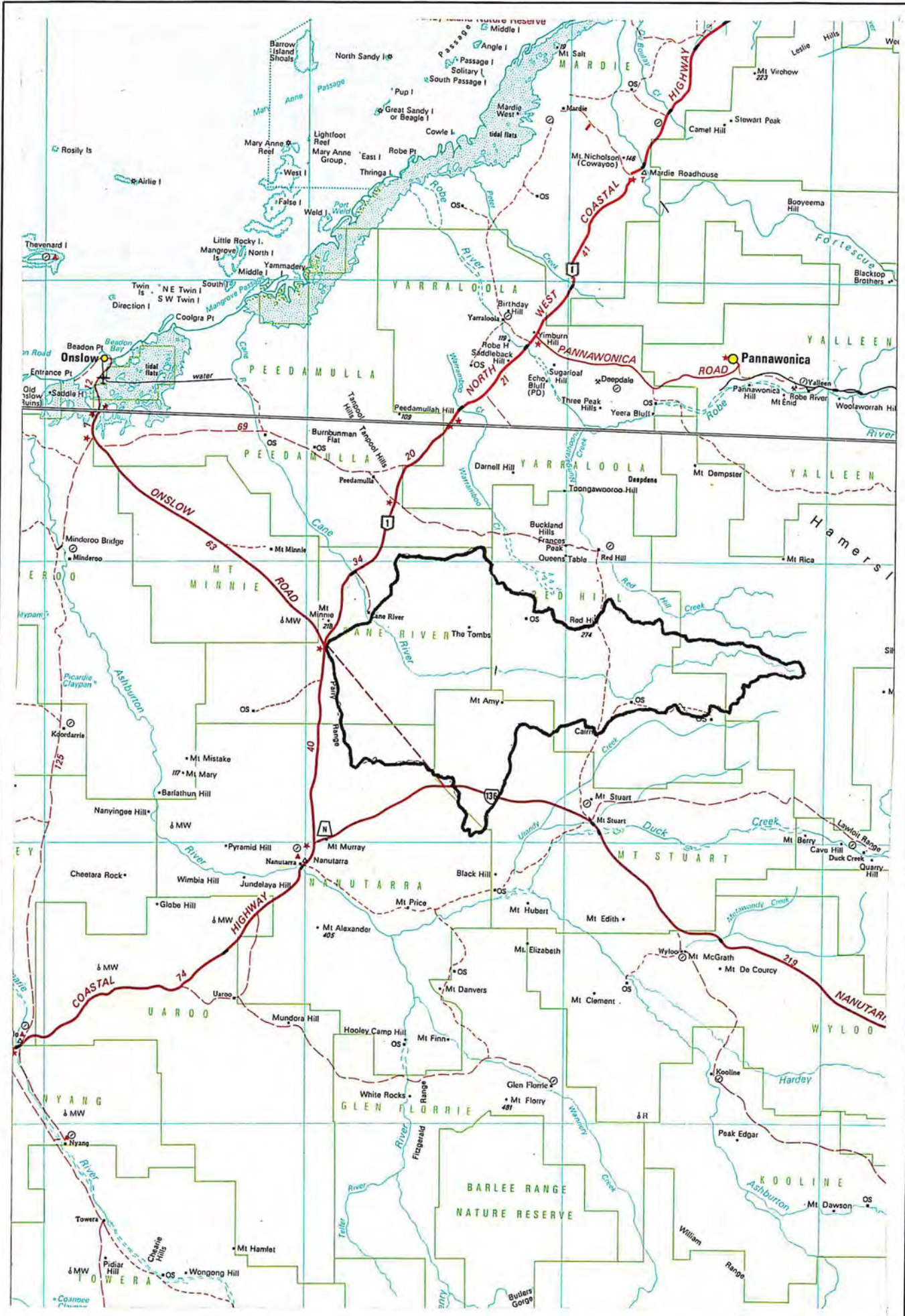
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Conjunctive use by artificial recharge with a groundwater resource may be a possibility, but no firm options have been identified, even though the coastal areas have been indicated as being prospective for groundwater developments.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required. Surface source will need to be developed taking into account the impact on the groundwater source.



Cane River

River Basin: Onslow Coast

AWRC Basin No: 707

Location: DS114  
7 546 000 m N, 389 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 817 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 18  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 3

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: 150 mg/L TSS.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

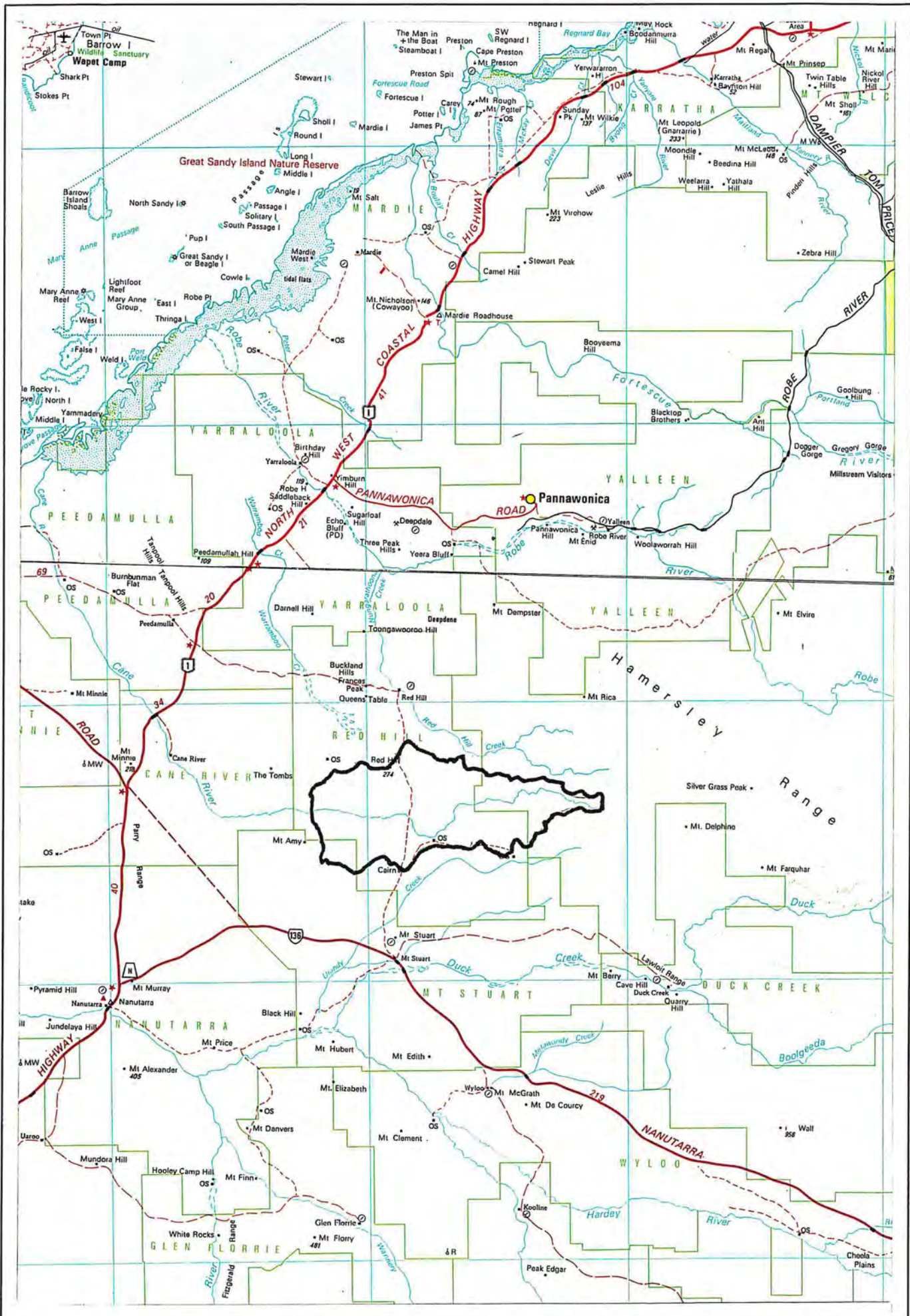
**Possible future uses:**

Conjunctive use by artificial recharge with a groundwater resource may be a possibility, but no firm options have been identified, even though the coastal areas have been indicated as being prospective for groundwater developments.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required. Surface source will need to be developed taking into account the impact on the groundwater source.





Cane River

**Surface Water Source:**

**Fortescue River**

**River Basin: Fortescue**

**AWRC Basin No: 708**

**Location:** Ophthalmia Dam

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 4200 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated: 50%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, some overgrazing along river frontages.  
Land use: About 50% vacant Crown Land, 50% cattle and sheep grazing on pastoral leases, some open cut ore mining.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 31  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 10

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

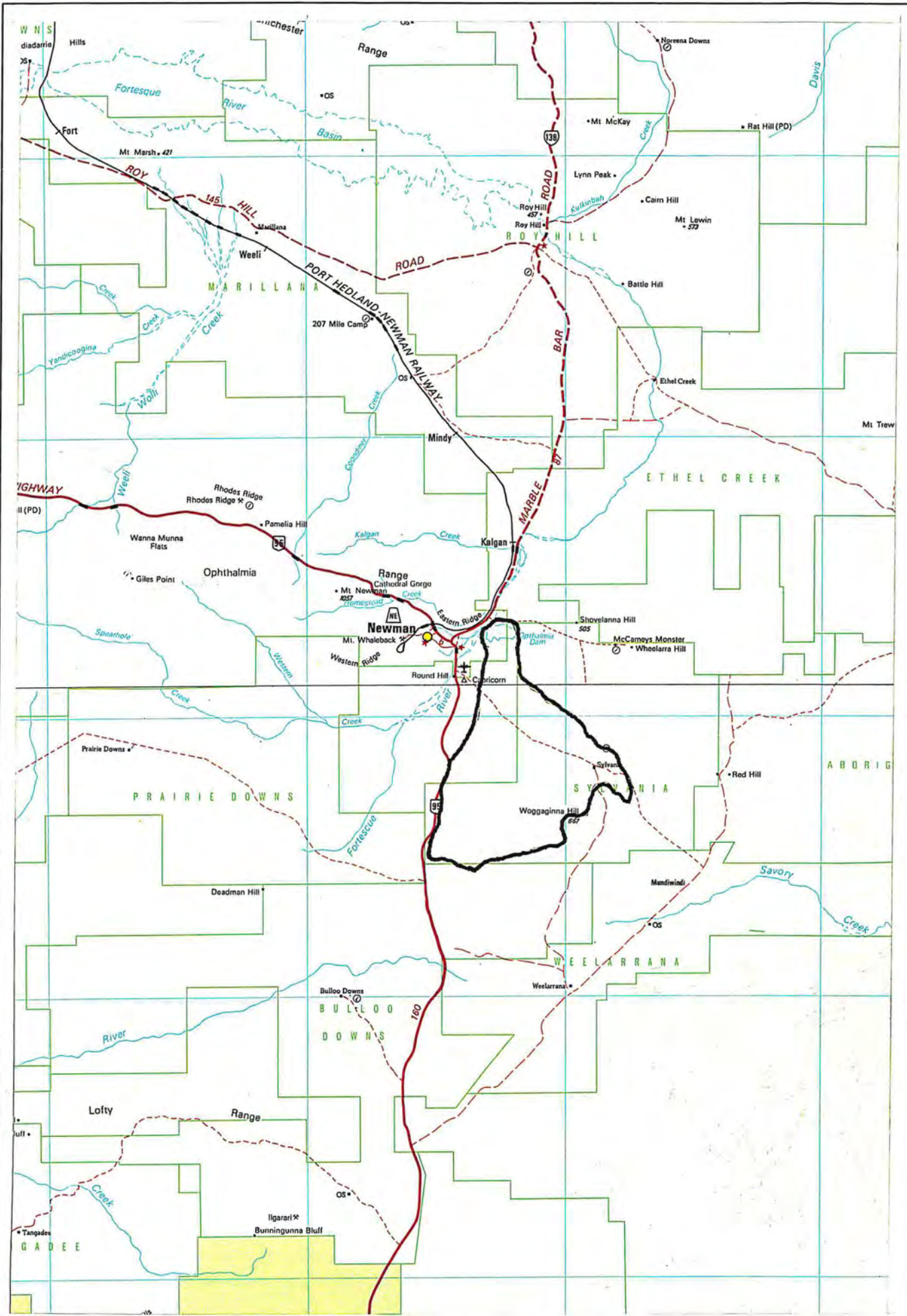
**Existing Developments:**

WC:  
Other:  
Current uses: aquifer recharge.

**Possible future uses:**

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

**Comments:**



Fortescue River

**River Basin: Fortescue****AWRC Basin No: 708**

**Location:** DS48 (Bullinnarwa)  
7 635 200 m N, 414 500 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 18 500 km<sup>2</sup> (for 1 in 100 year flood the area is 50 200 km<sup>2</sup>)  
Average rainfall: 250 - 350 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing of river frontages.  
Land use: 40% vacant Crown land and Reserves, 60% cattle and sheep on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 200  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 54

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

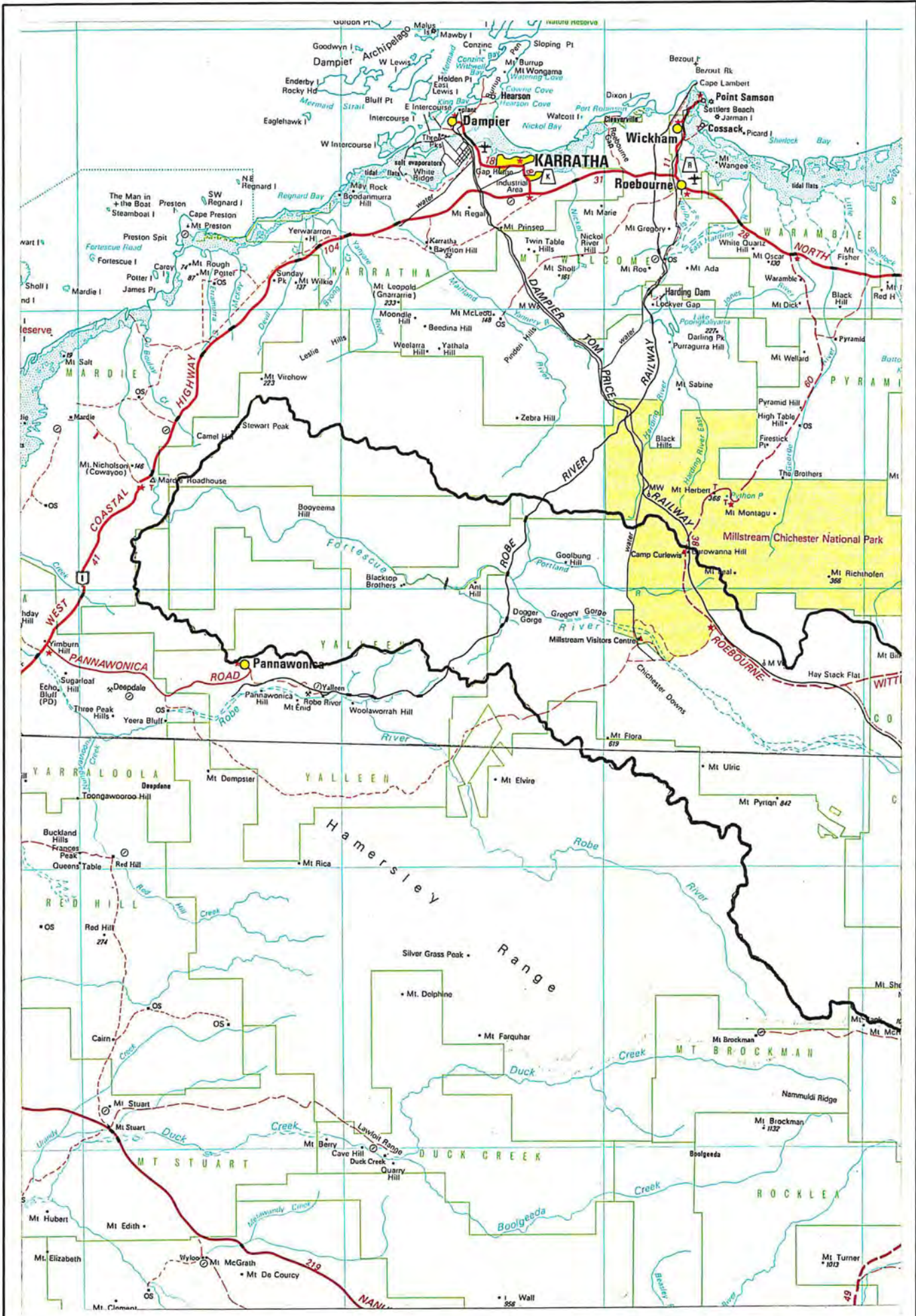
Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Possible Aboriginal sites.
2. Construction of a dam at Bullinnarwa would have an impact on the environment.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is good. Treatment for turbidity may be required. A dam on the Fortescue River, at Bullinnarwa, could be used in isolation, without groundwater augmentation.



Fortescue River

<b>Surface Water Source:</b>	<b>Fortescue River</b>
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**River Basin: Fortescue**

**AWRC Basin No: 708**

**Location:** DS123 (Booyeemala)  
7 622 400 m N, 471 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 16 200 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 350 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing of river frontages.  
Land use: 40% vacant Crown land and Reserves, 60% cattle and sheep on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 147  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 42

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

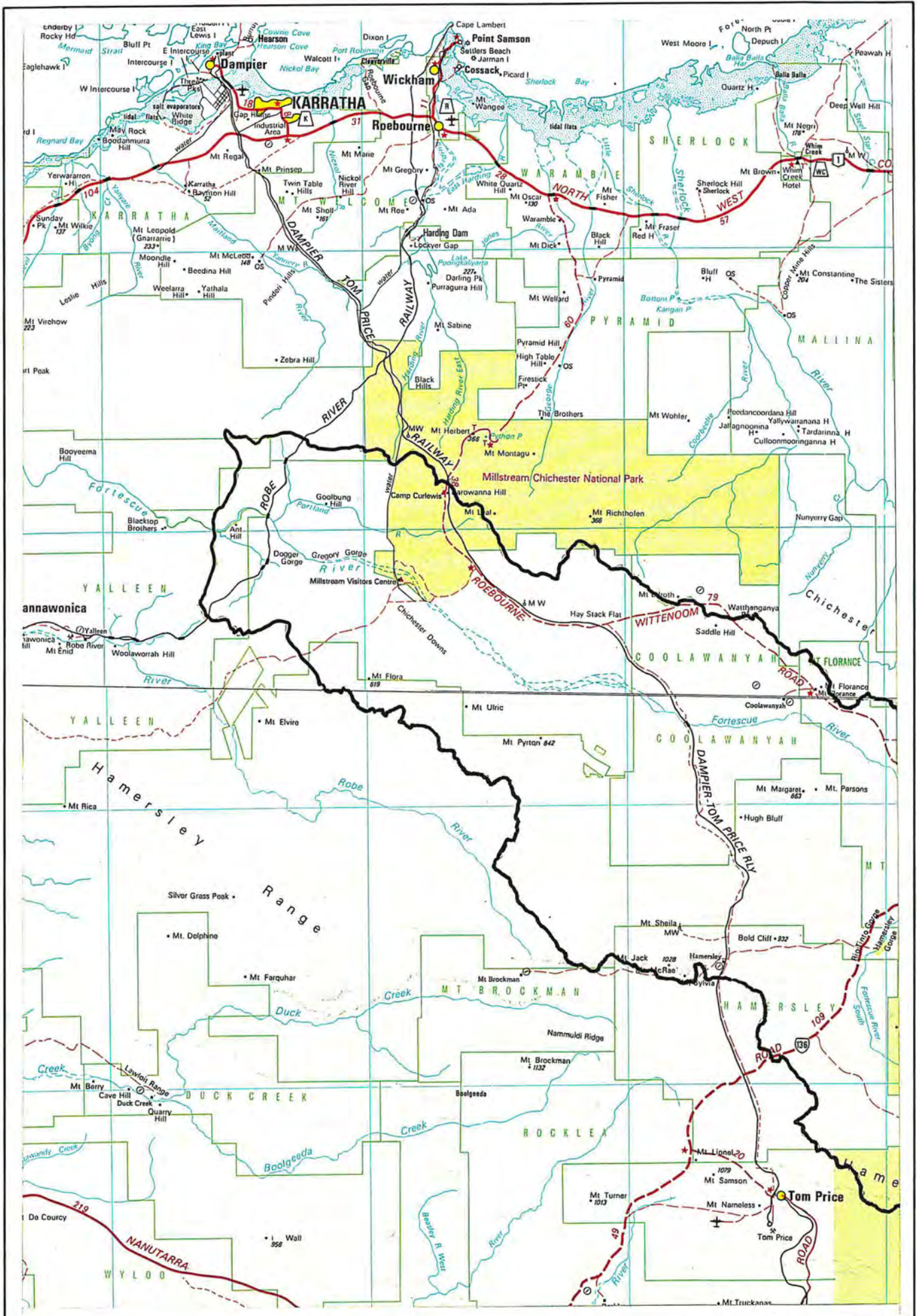
Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. The biological impact (the loss of riverine vegetation and permanent pool ecosystems) would be small in relation to those of most other reservoirs.
2. There would be an adverse impact on aquatic ecosystems located downstream of the dam. However, the severity of this impact could be reduced, if necessary, by controlled release of water from the reservoir.
3. Loss of numerous Aboriginal engravings and development within the area of the "ancestral route" which is an important feature of the mythology of traditional Aborigines. However, the reservoir would not affect any known sacred sites.
4. The reservoir would constitute a new tourist attraction and potential recreational resource.

**Comments:**

The reliability of estimated divertible flow is good. Treatment for turbidity may be required. A dam at Booyeemala could be used as an independent water supply.



Fortescue River

**River Basin: Port Hedland Coast****AWRC Basin No: 709**

**Location:** DS95 (Kangan Pool)  
7 664 000 m N, 651 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 7830 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3500 - 3700 mm/annum  
Alienated: 70%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing of native vegetation along river frontages.  
Land use: 30% vacant Crown land and Reserves, 70% cattle and sheep on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 184  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 8.0

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

1. The main value of the storage will be its ability to recharge the major groundwater aquifer downstream of the site.
2. Water could be pumped on for the recharge of the Turner River aquifers.

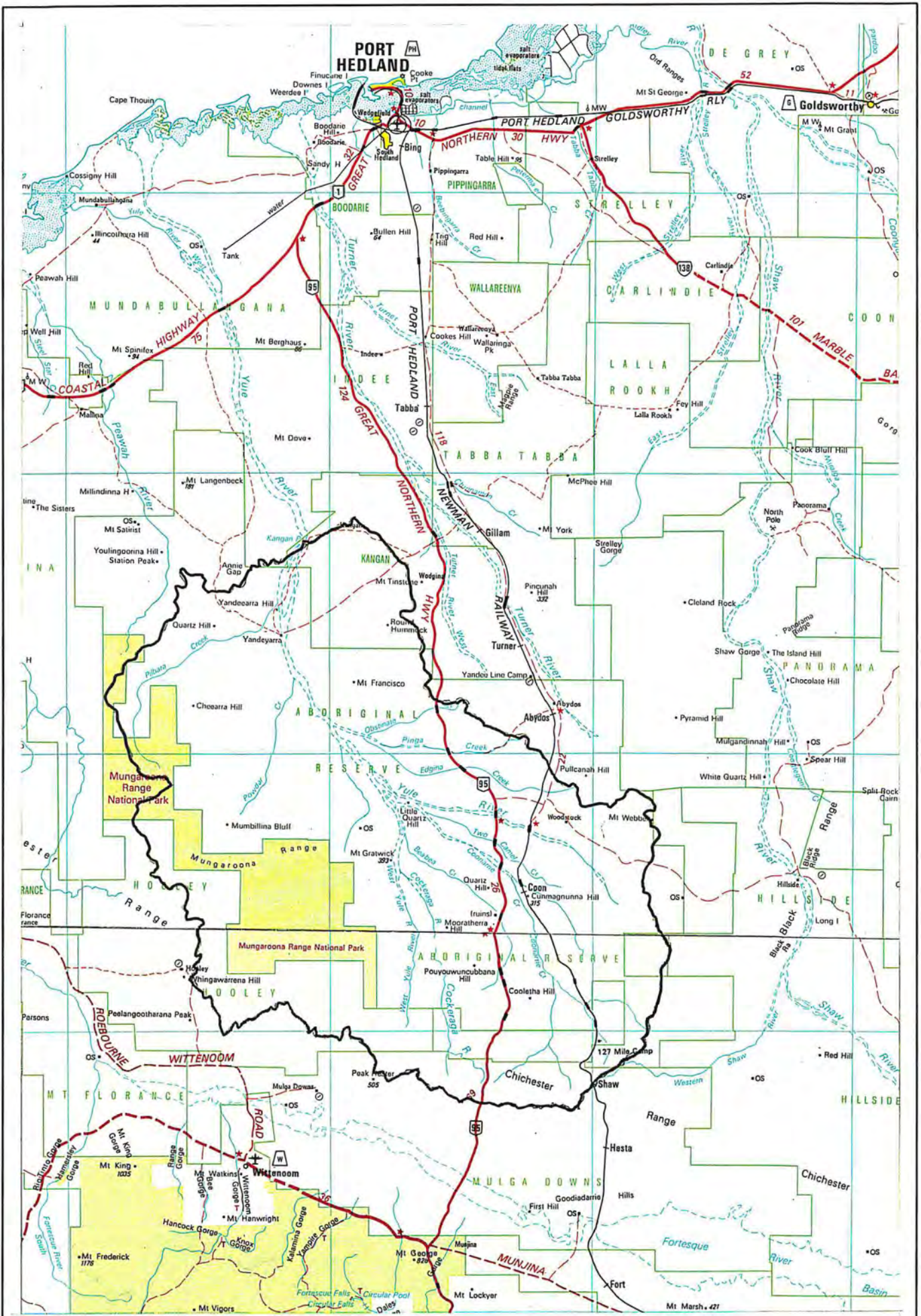
**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. The permanent pool at the site has always been a haven for bird and animal life and the pool itself is usually well stocked with fish.
2. A major alluvial gold mining operation has been operating in the area.
3. The catchment for the storage lies in the immediate locality of the Yandearra Aboriginal Community who have a strong interest in the area.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required. Additional divertible yield may be possible if this source is developed conjunctively with groundwater.





Yule River

River Basin: Port Hedland Coast

AWRC Basin No: 709

Location: DS48 (Kangan Pool)  
7 667 000 m N, 565 500 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 4140 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3500 - 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 172  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 8.3

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves dramatically at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

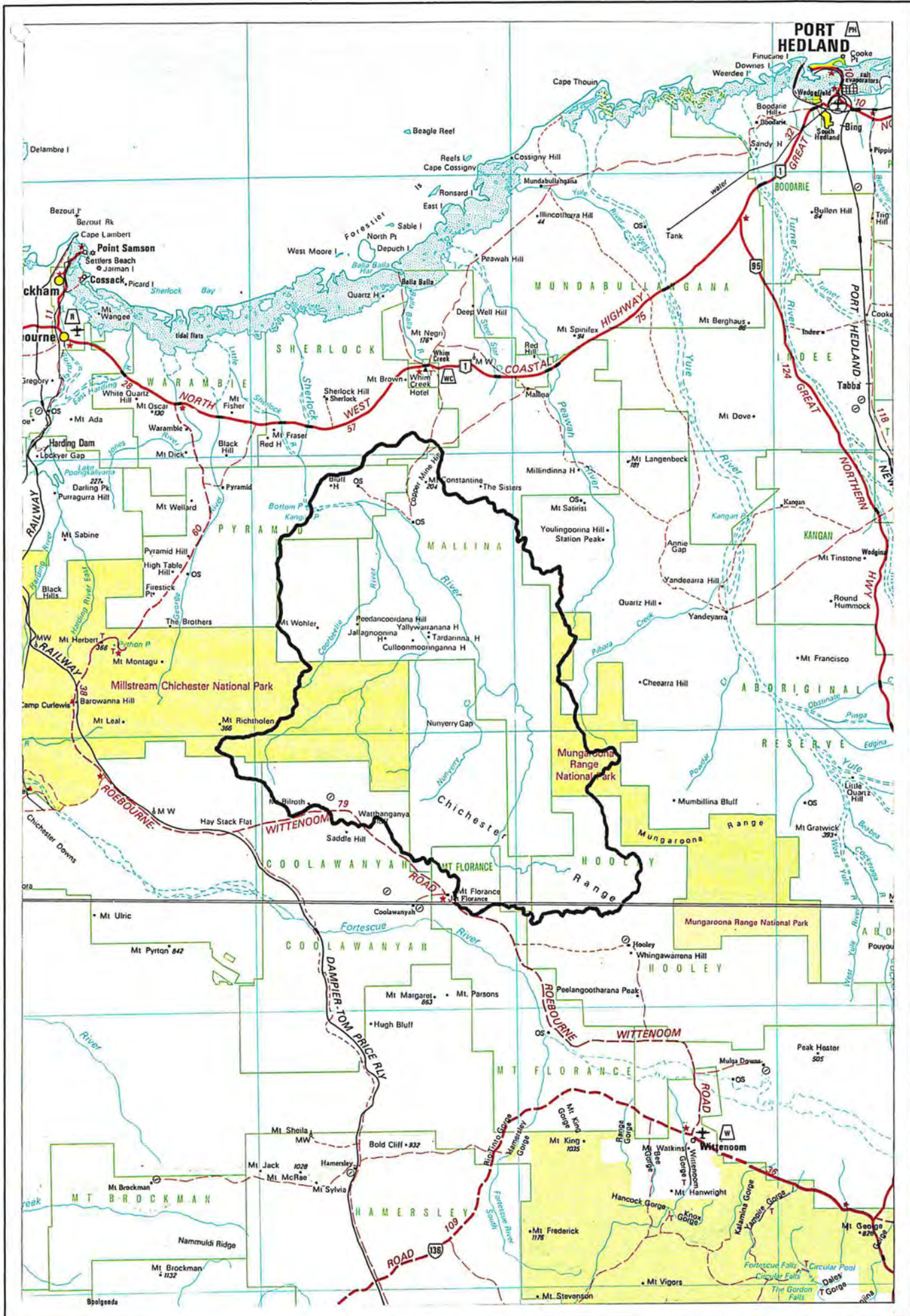
This site, in conjunction with the Nunyerry storage, is very promising as a conjunctive use option for supply to the West Pilbara independently of the Harding/Millstream system.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Loss of extensive areas of River Gum forests and woodlands adjacent to the Sherlock River and its tributaries. However, this vegetation is well represented outside the reservoir limits.
2. Loss of temporary pools, one of which is an important habitat for water birds. The permanent pools would not be inundated.
3. There is a relatively high risk of eutrophic conditions developing in the Sherlock Reservoir.
4. The area of inundation would be 102 km<sup>2</sup> at FSL. During periods when the water level is low large areas of the reservoir bed will be exposed.
5. The reservoir will provide an unsuitable habitat for many of the existing aquatic species.
6. Inundation of several Aboriginal habitation sites and at least one ceremonial site.
7. Loss of approximately 9% of the grazing land of Pyramid Station.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required. Additional divertible flow of approximately 20 GL available if used in conjunction with another source. A dam on the Sherlock River at Kangan Pool could not be used as an independent source.



Sherlock River

**River Basin: Port Hedland Coast****AWRC Basin No: 709**

**Location:** DS9  
7 624 500 m N, 595 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 300 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3500 - 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 10  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 5

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves dramatically at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

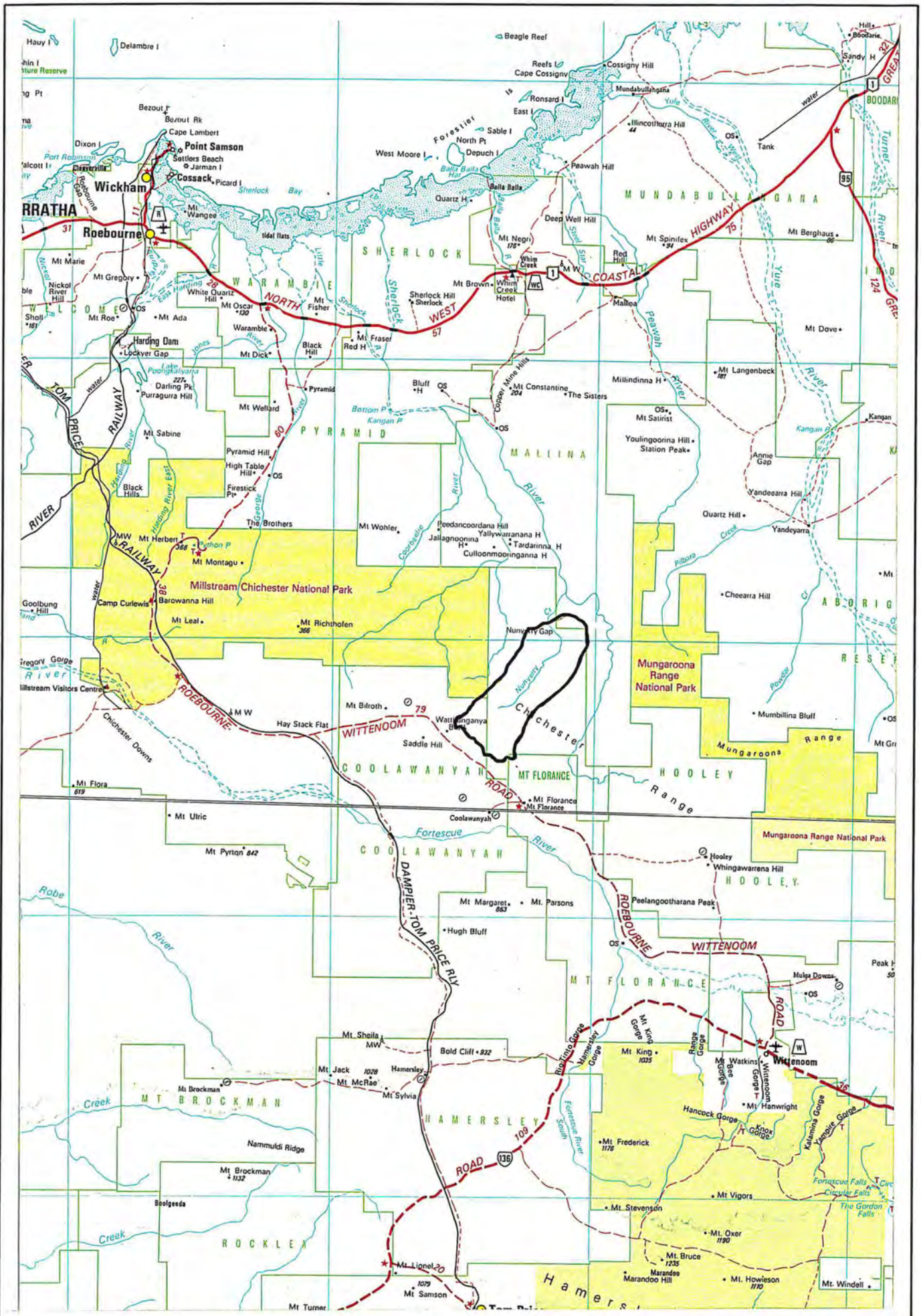
This site, in conjunction with the Sherlock storage, is very promising as a conjunctive use option for supply to the West Pilbara independently of the Harding/Millstream system.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Loss of vegetation including riverine River Gum woodlands and shrublands. Larger areas of the vegetation types would remain upstream and downstream of the reservoir and along other creeks in the region.
2. Loss of temporary pools and one permanent pool. However, such habitats are widespread in the region. There would also be some threat to the more biologically valuable pool at Ellawarrina Spring if the reservoir was to lead to tourist usage of that area.
3. Development of the reservoir would have beneficial impacts both as a tourist and recreational site and as a new aquatic habitat. In this latter respect, its stability compared to other reservoirs under consideration would make it more biologically valuable, especially for migratory birds.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required. The estimated divertible yield can be increased by 17 GL if used in conjunction with Sherlock River - Kangan Pool and another source.



Nuyyerri Creek

**River Basin: Port Hedland Coast****AWRC Basin No: 709**

**Location:** DS15  
7 664 400 m N, 483 500 m E

**Catchment Details:**

**Area:** 574 km<sup>2</sup> (assumes the Maitland River is also dammed where the catchment boundary for Munni Munni Creek is close to Maitland River).

**Average rainfall:** 300 mm/annum

**Pan evaporation:** 3500 - 3600 mm/annum

**Alienated:**

**Cleared:**

**Land use:**

**Mean Annual Flow (GL/year):** 20

**Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year):** 1.5

**Water Quality:**

**Salinity:**

**Other significant parameters:**

**Existing Developments:**

**WC:**

**Other:**

**Current uses:**

**Possible future uses:**

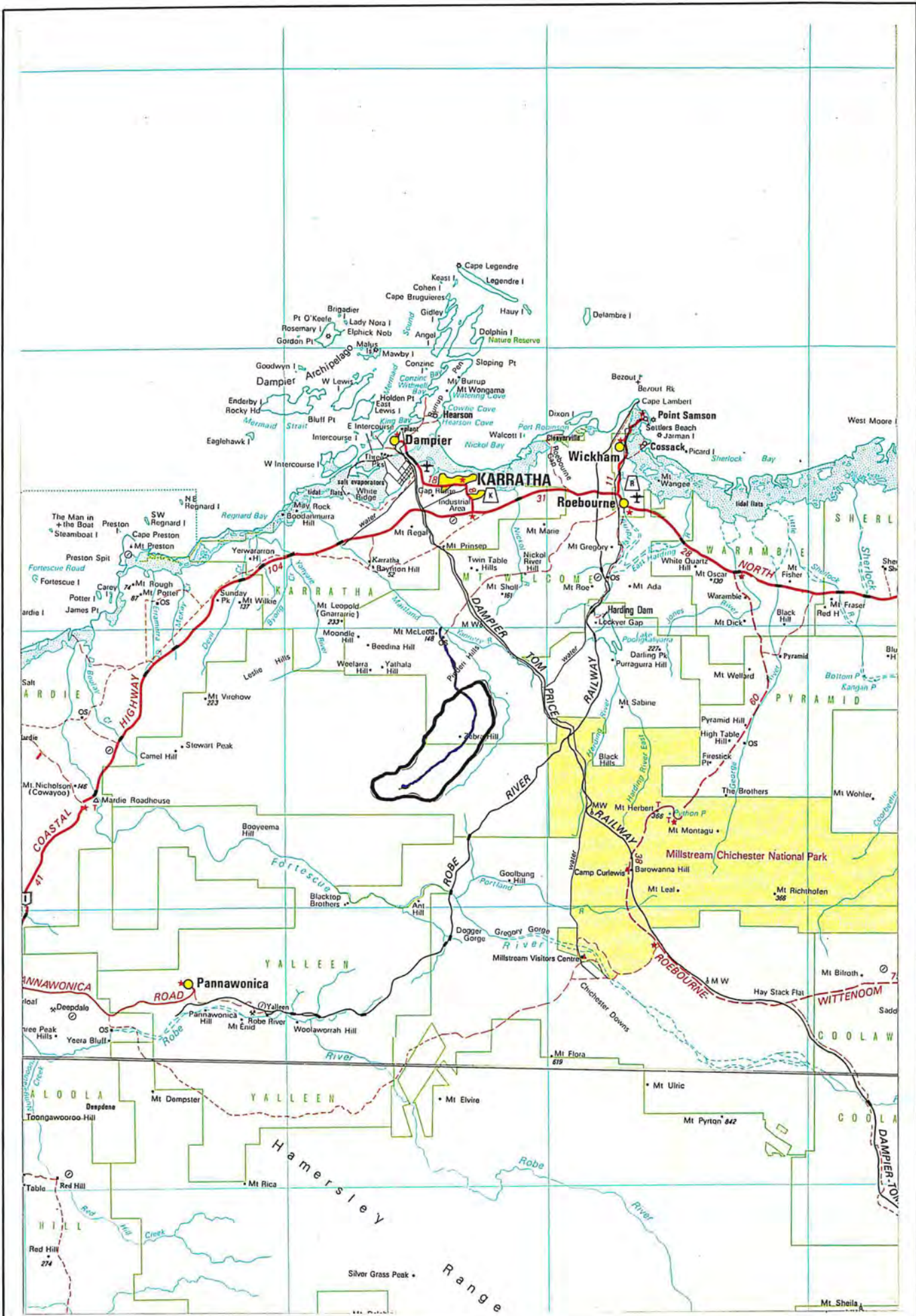
Possible water supply for West Pilbara development.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Possible Aboriginal sites in the area.
2. The construction of a dam on Munni Munni Creek and the low barrage structure across the Maitland River would have an environmental impact in the area.
3. The area has a large number of well developed petroglyphs.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data for mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor. A water supply on Munni Munni Creek could not be used as an independent source because yield from the catchment is not reliable on an annual basis.



Munni Munni Creek

**River Basin: Port Hedland Coast****AWRC Basin No: 709****Location:** Harding Dam**Catchment Details:**

Area: 1020 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 330 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3400 mm/annum  
Alienated: 50%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but considerable over grazing on valley plains.  
Land use: About 50% in National Park, remainder sheep and cattle grazing on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 38  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 15

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

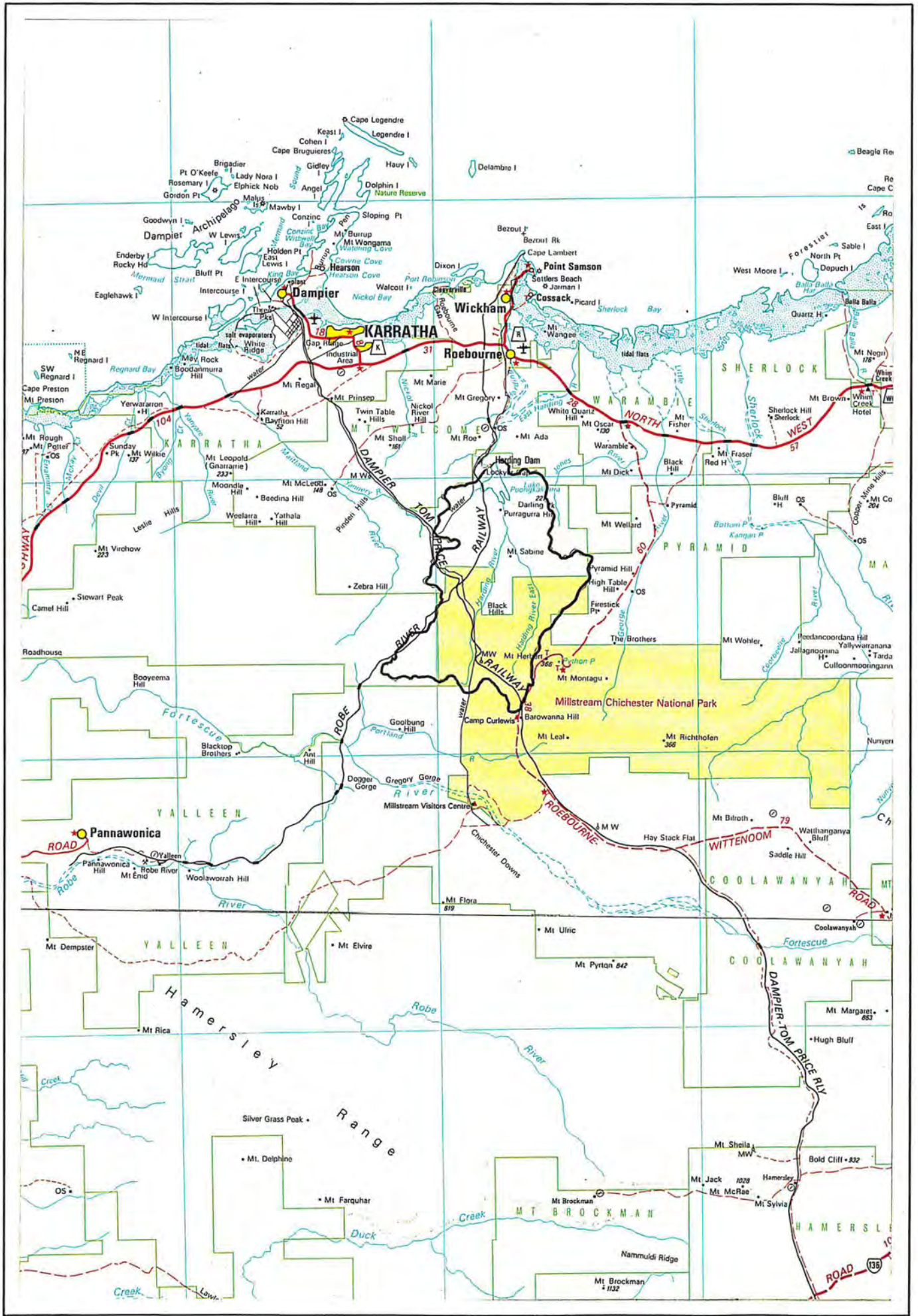
**Existing Developments:**

WC:  
Other:  
Current uses: West Pilbara Water Supply Scheme.

**Possible future uses:****Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data for mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is good.





Harding River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS88 (North Pole)  
7 665 600 m N, 740 500 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 6500 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 350 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated: 65%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along valley plains.  
Land use: 35% vacant Crown land and Reserves, 65% cattle and sheep on pastoral leases.

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 180  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 80

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

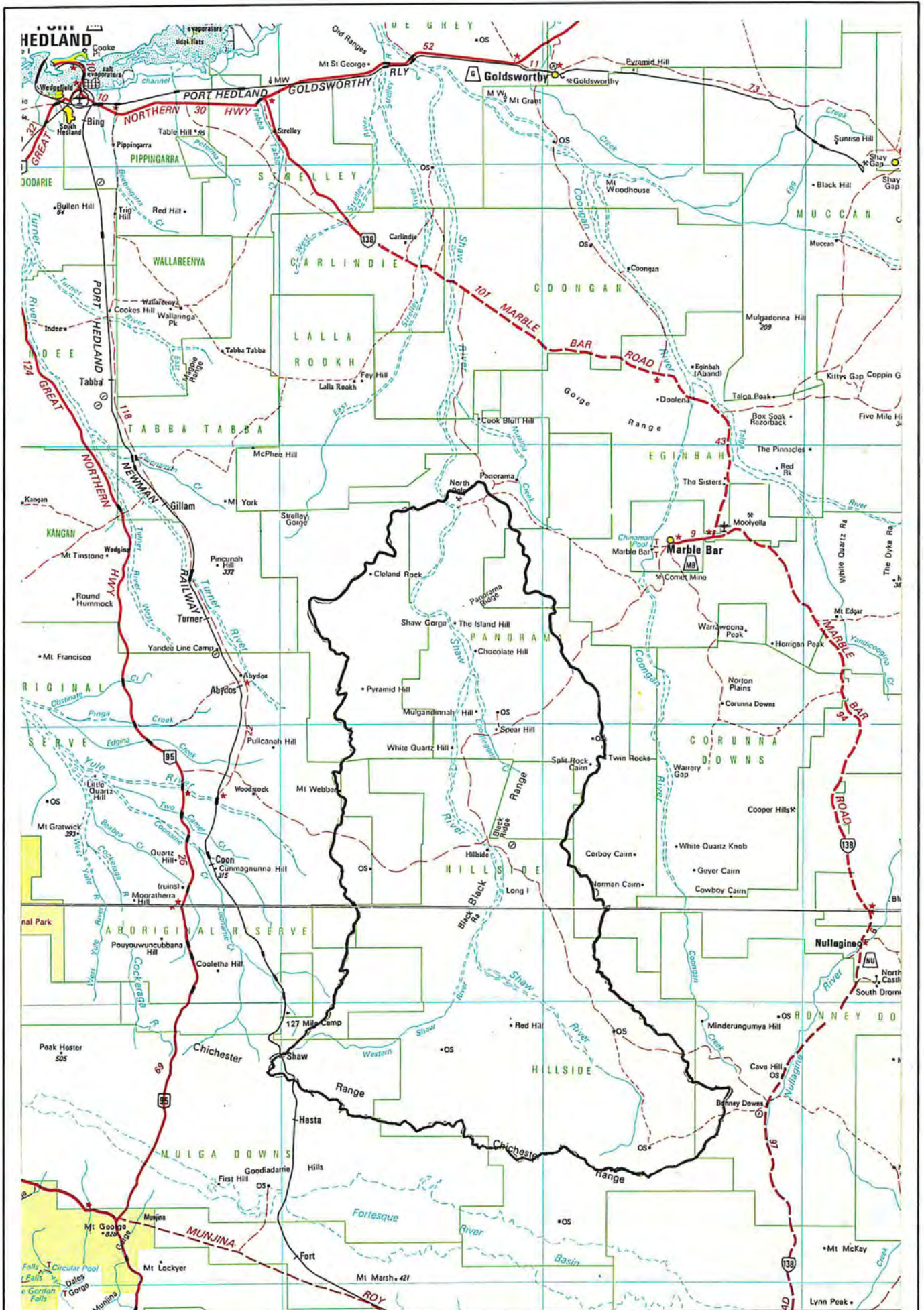
The North Pole dam must be one of the best potential sources of water in the Pilbara and must be considered as a prime source of water for developments in Port Hedland.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

Current mining claims overly the North Pole dam site.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is fair. Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Shaw River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS54 (Doolena Gap)  
7 683 200 m N, 789 800 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 4310 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along valley plains.  
Land use: Part vacant Crown land and Reserves, mostly cattle and sheep on pastoral leases (60%).

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 130  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 15

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

**Existing Developments:**

WC:  
Other:  
Current uses:

**Possible future uses:**

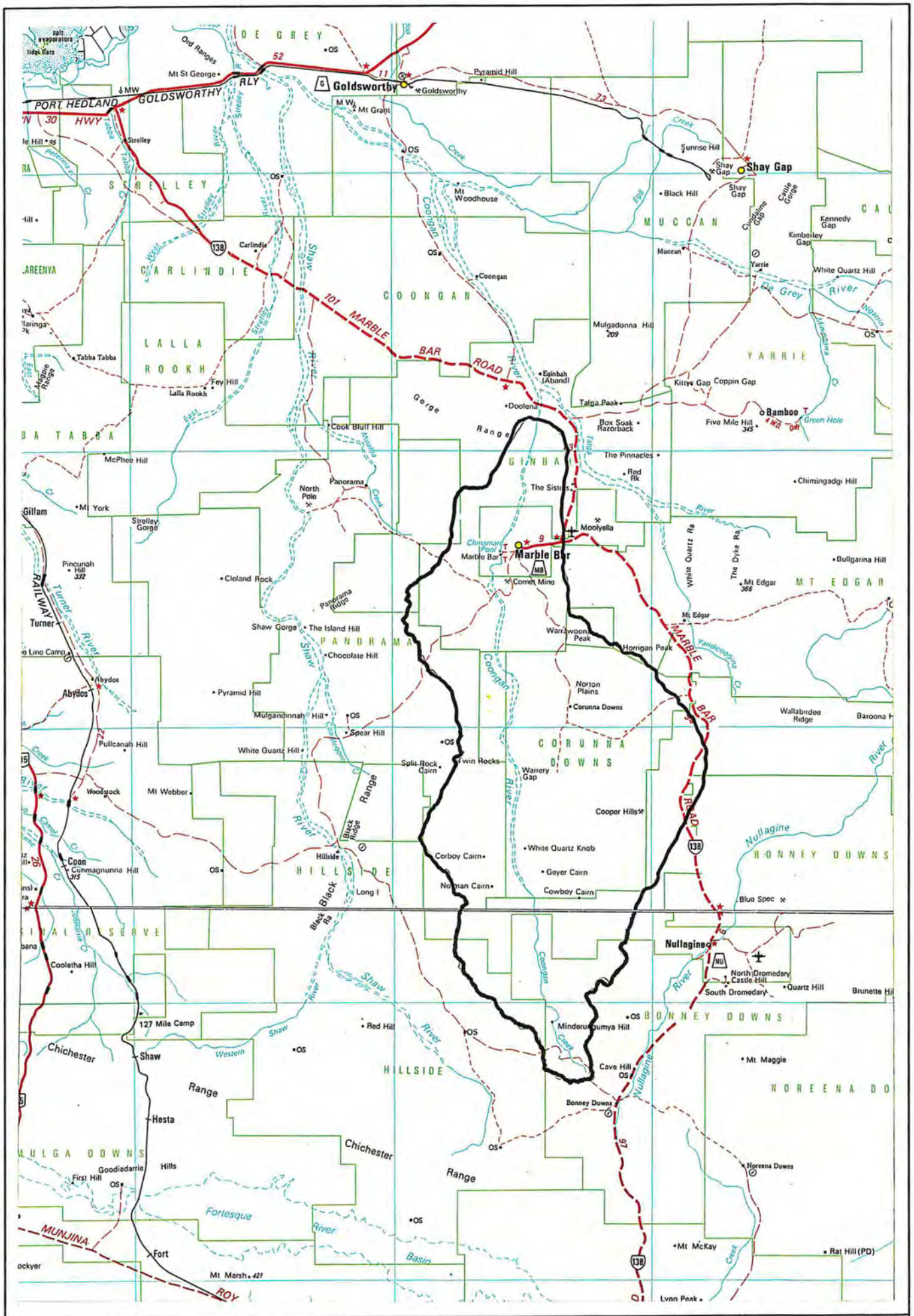
Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. The abandoned Talga Talga mining centre lies close to the dam site and there was a small lead mine to the west.
2. Sills of ultra basic rock of a type favourable for nickel deposits are known in the area.
3. The granting of mining tenements over some of these areas where they encroach on possible dam and reservoir sites has been a cause of concern in the past.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data for the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.



Coongan River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS85 (Marble Bar)  
7 653 400 m N, 781 500 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 3800 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 350 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3700 mm/annum  
Alienated: 60%  
Cleared: No significant clearing, but some overgrazing along valley plains.  
Land use: Part vacant Crown land and Reserves, mostly cattle and sheep on pastoral leases (60%).

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 110  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 26

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

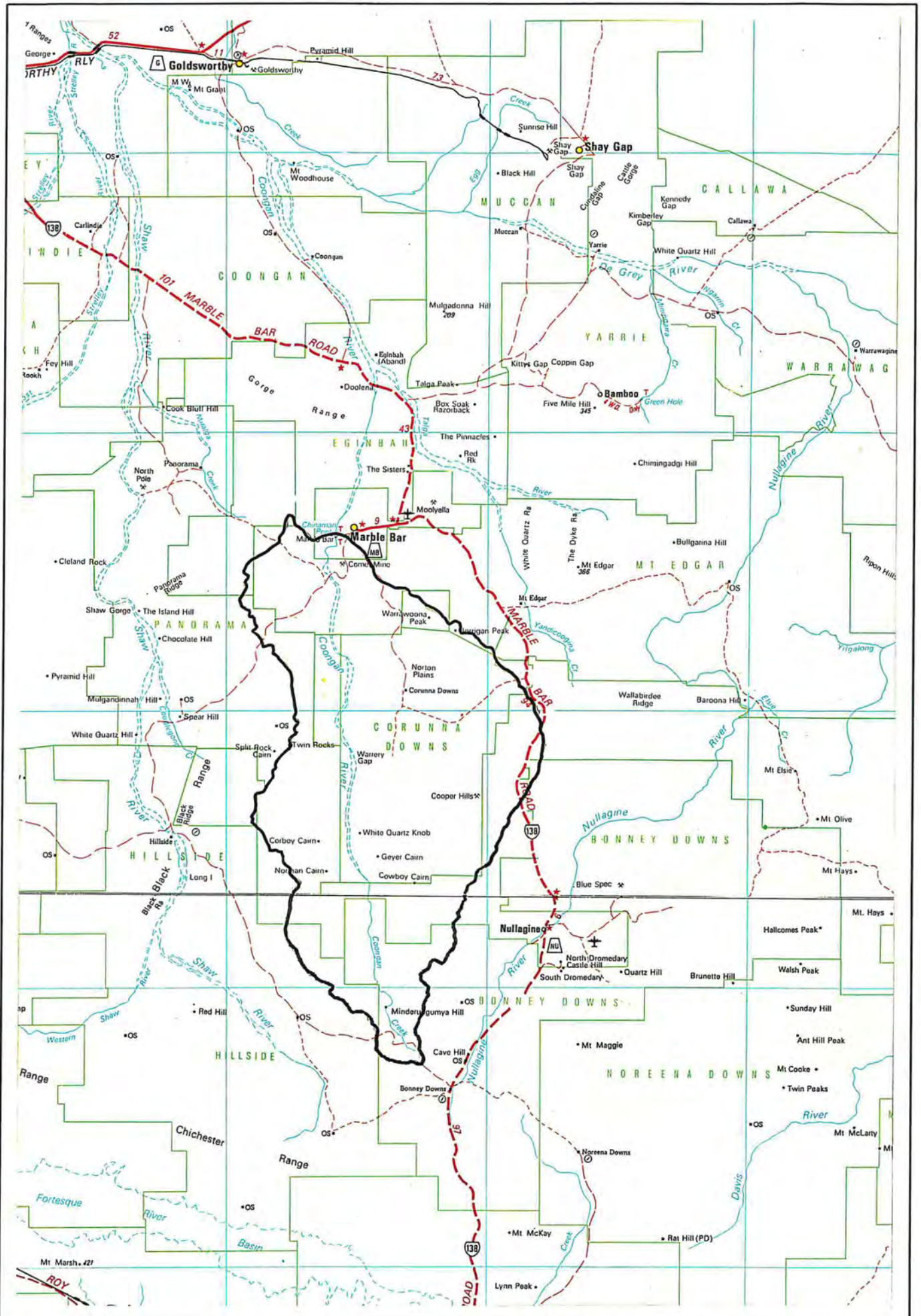
Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. A dam at Marble Bar would have some impact on mining in the area.
2. The jaspillite at the Marble Bar site is an important tourist attraction as well as being of scientific interest.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor. Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Coongan River

**Surface Water Source:****DeGrey River****River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS158 (Yarrie Station)  
7 709 000 m N, 214 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 32 000 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 600  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 120 - 200

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:  
Other significant parameters:

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

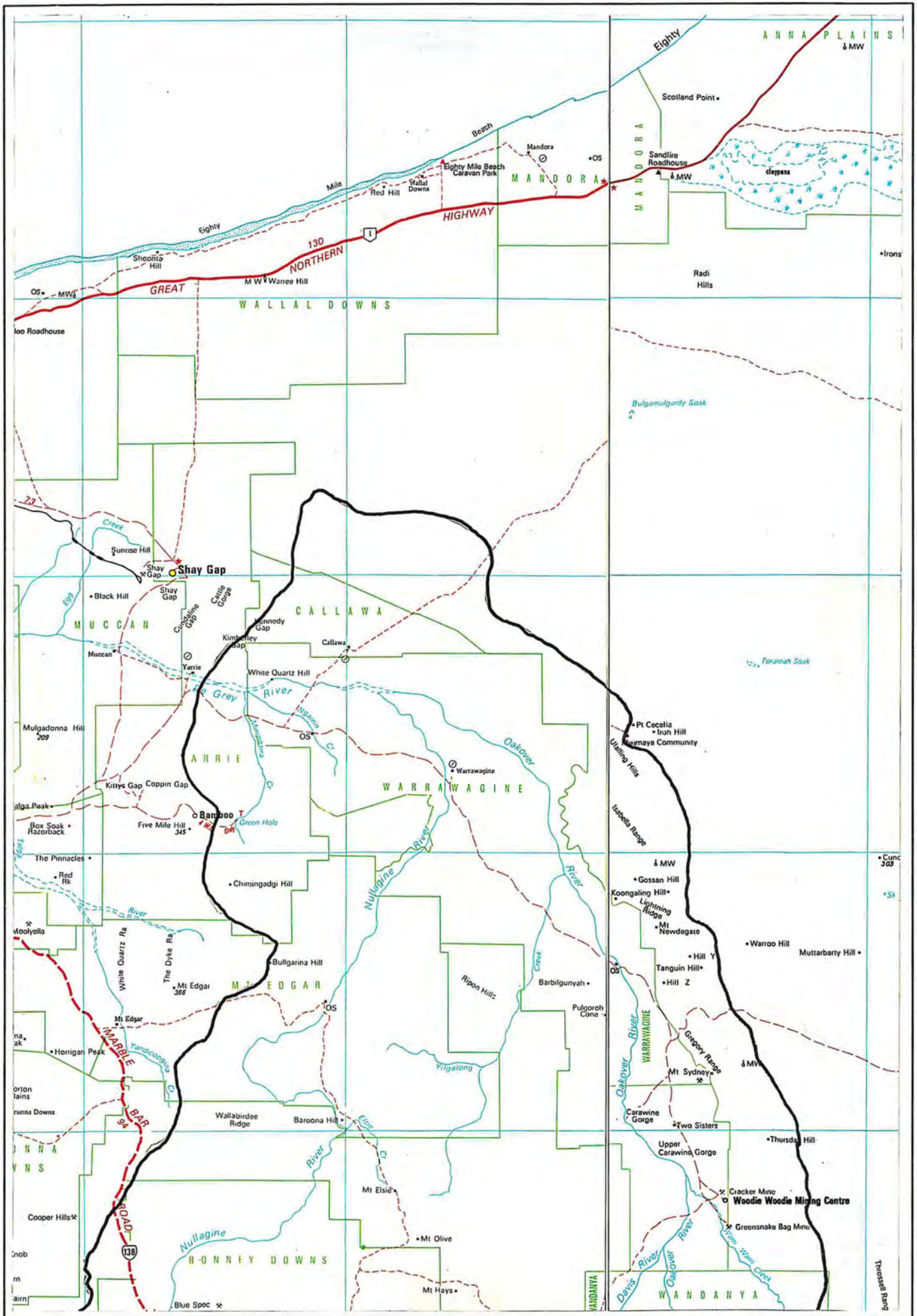
**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.





De Grey River

**Surface Water Source:****Oakover River****River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS102  
7 619 500 m N, 299 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 15 430 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 260  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 20 - 50

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

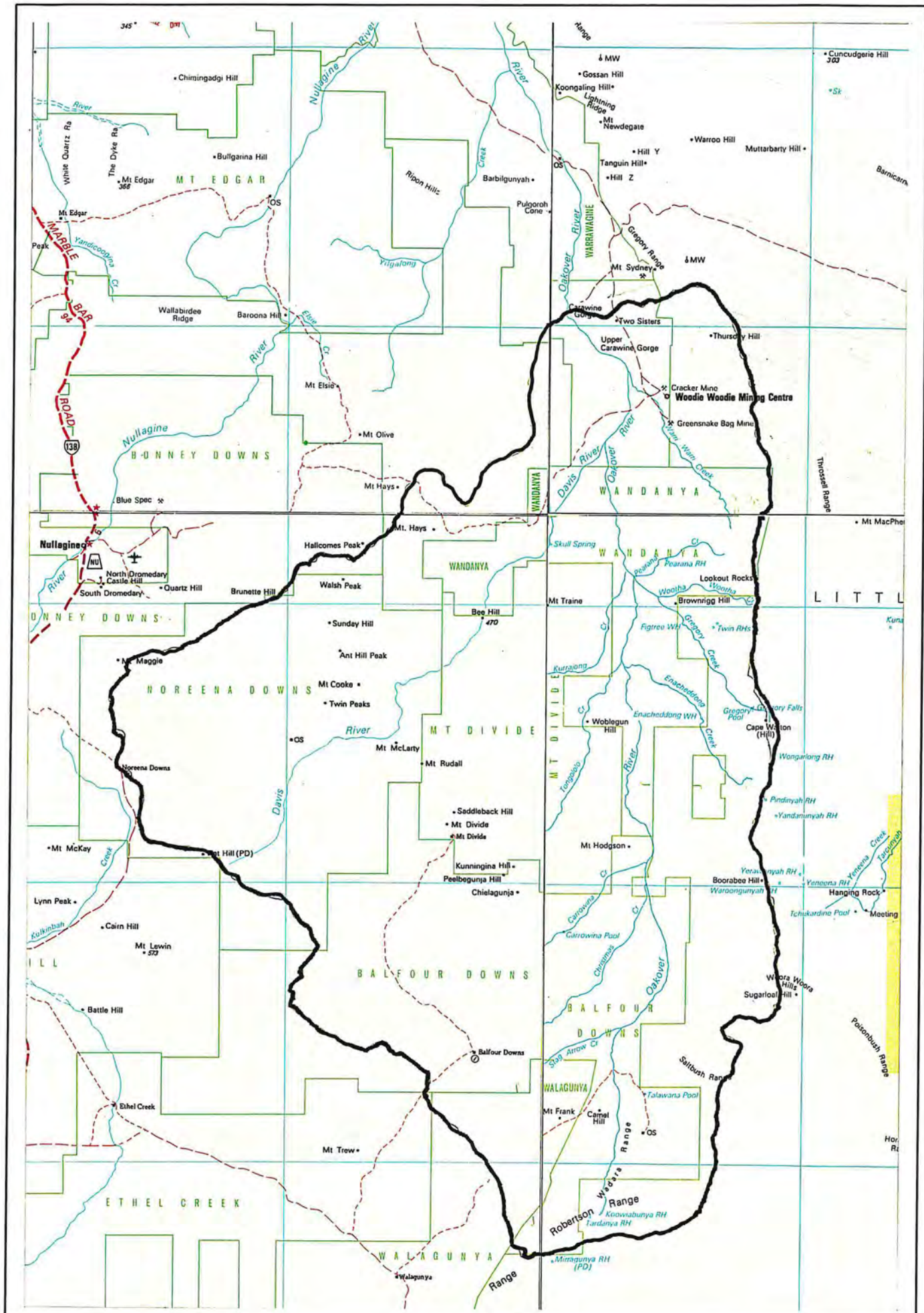
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Oakover River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS145  
7 586 300 m N, 305 300 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 9280 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 120  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 5 - 25

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Turbidity high in high flow events.

**Existing Developments:**

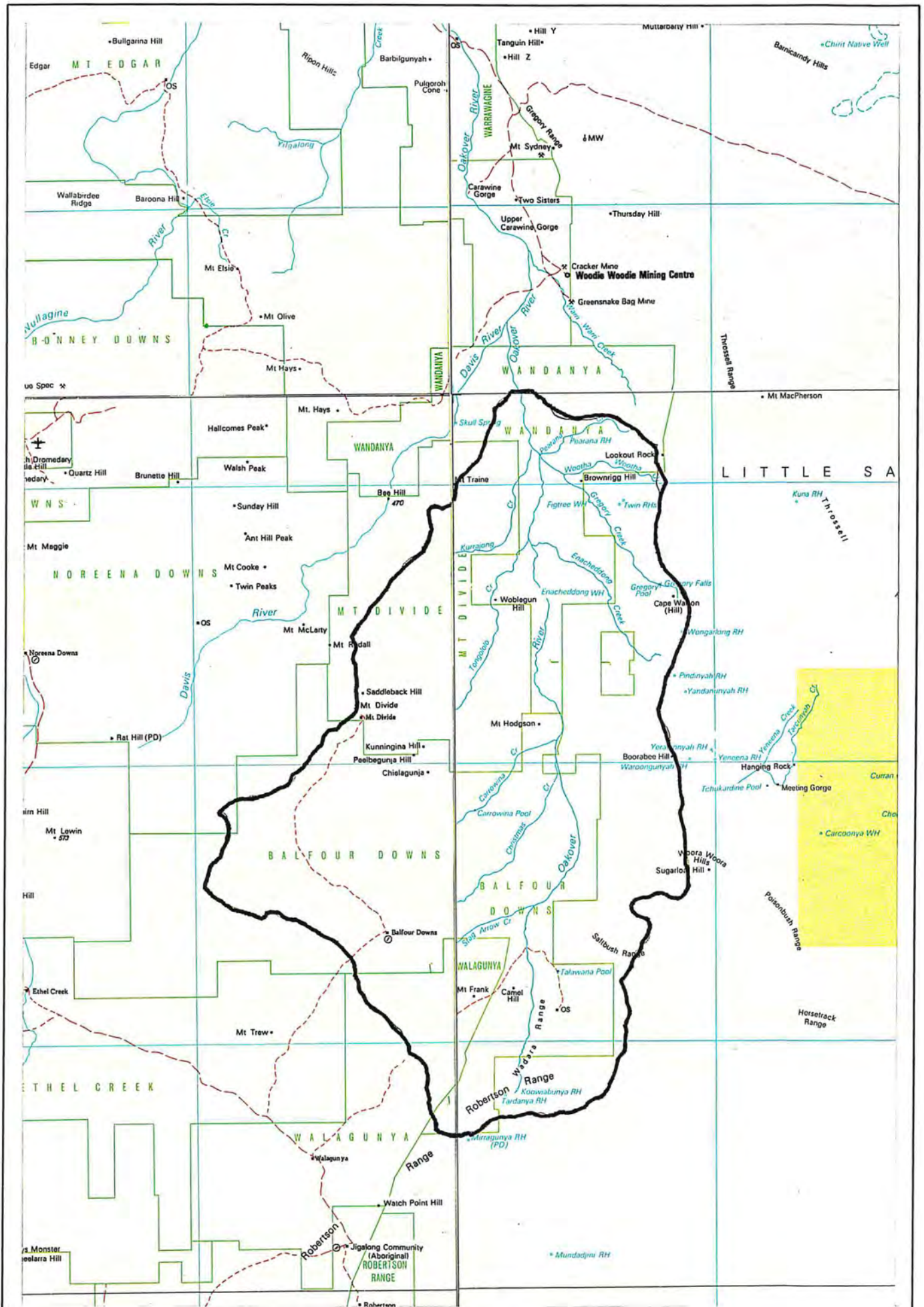
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Oakover River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS40  
7 678 200 m N, 256 100 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 6425 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 125  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 0 - 20

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

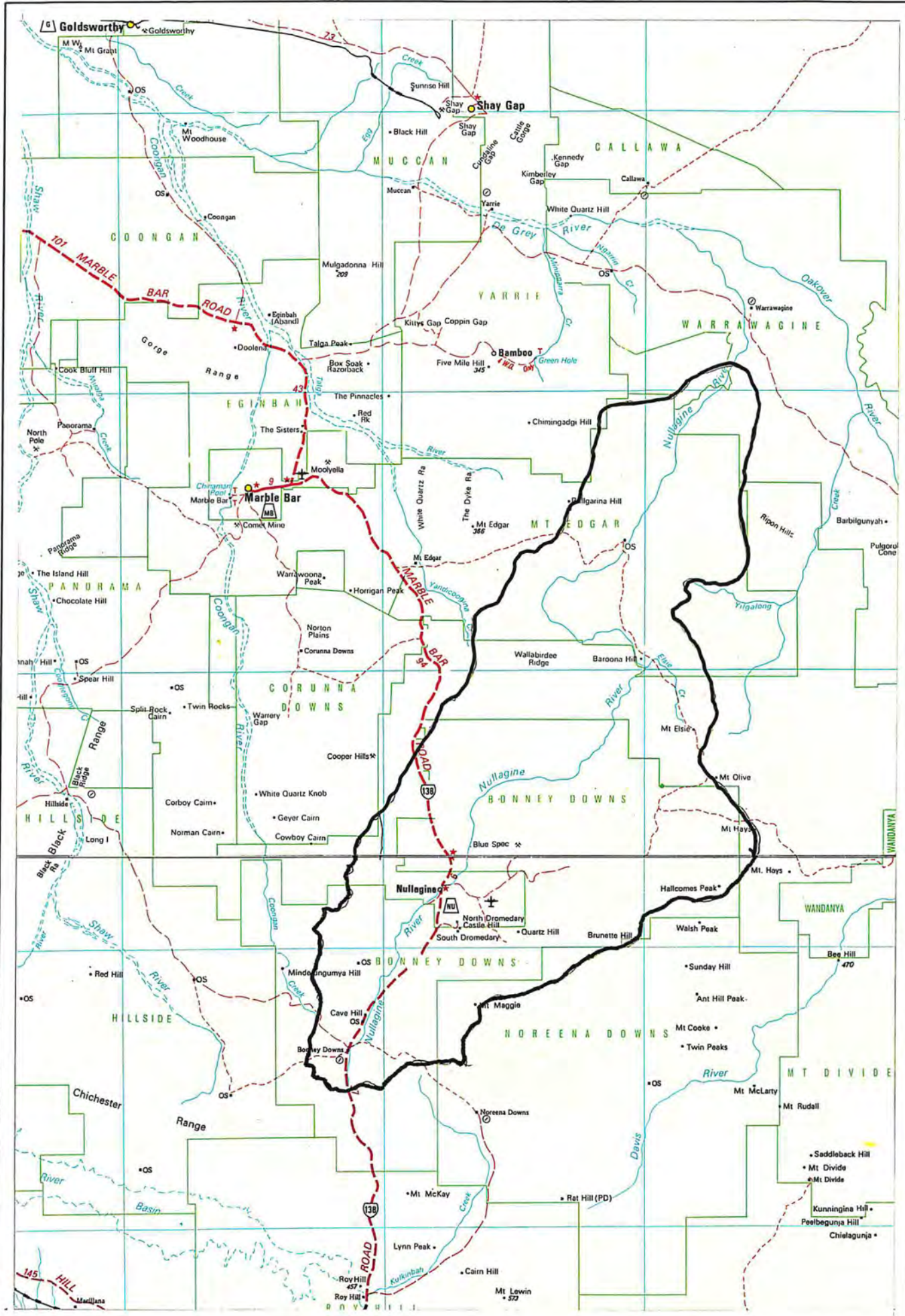
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Nullagine River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS56  
7 666 000 m N, 246 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 5895 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 115  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 25 - 40

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

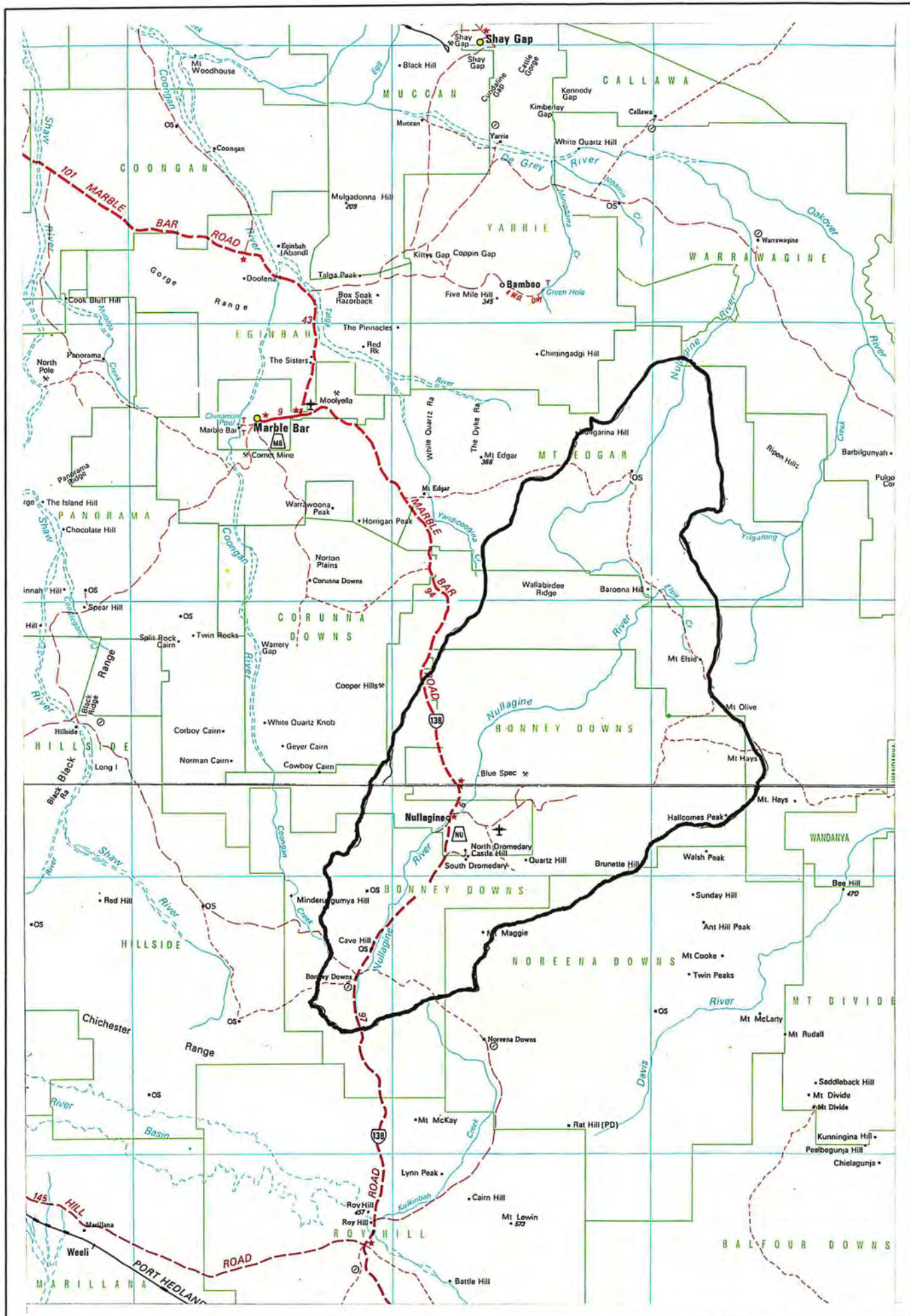
**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.





Nullagine River

**River Basin: DeGrey****AWRC Basin No: 710**

**Location:** DS108  
7 625 900 m N, 228 900 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 4525 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 90  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 20 - 35

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

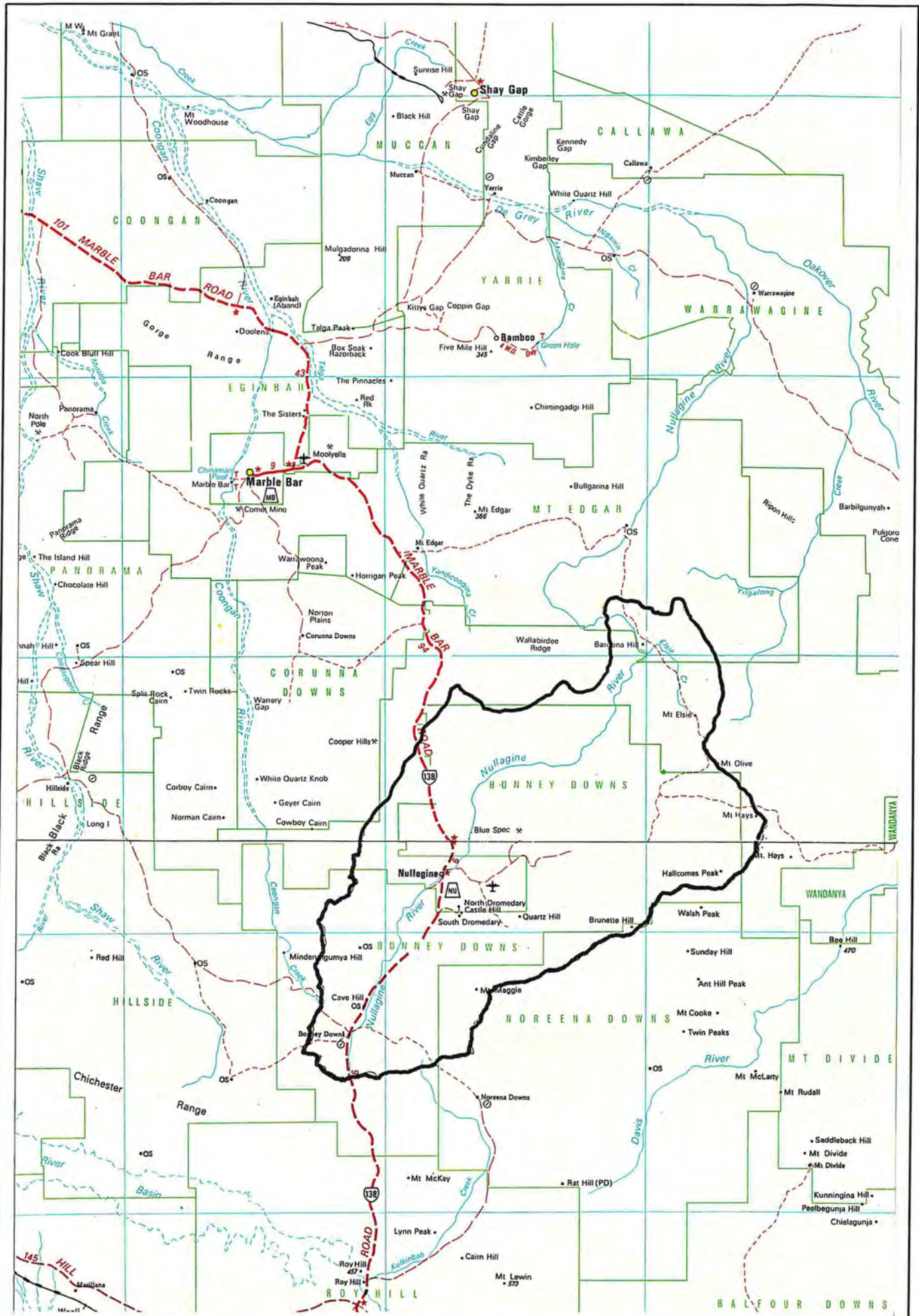
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:****Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor.  
Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Nullagine River

River Basin: DeGrey

AWRC Basin No: 710

Location: DS142  
7 617 500 m N, 238 000 m E

**Catchment Details:**

Area: 4150 km<sup>2</sup>  
Average rainfall: 250 - 300 mm/annum  
Pan evaporation: 3600 - 3800 mm/annum  
Alienated:  
Cleared:  
Land use:

Mean Annual Flow (GL/year): 80  
Estimated Divertible Yield (GL/year): 15 - 30

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Existing Developments:**

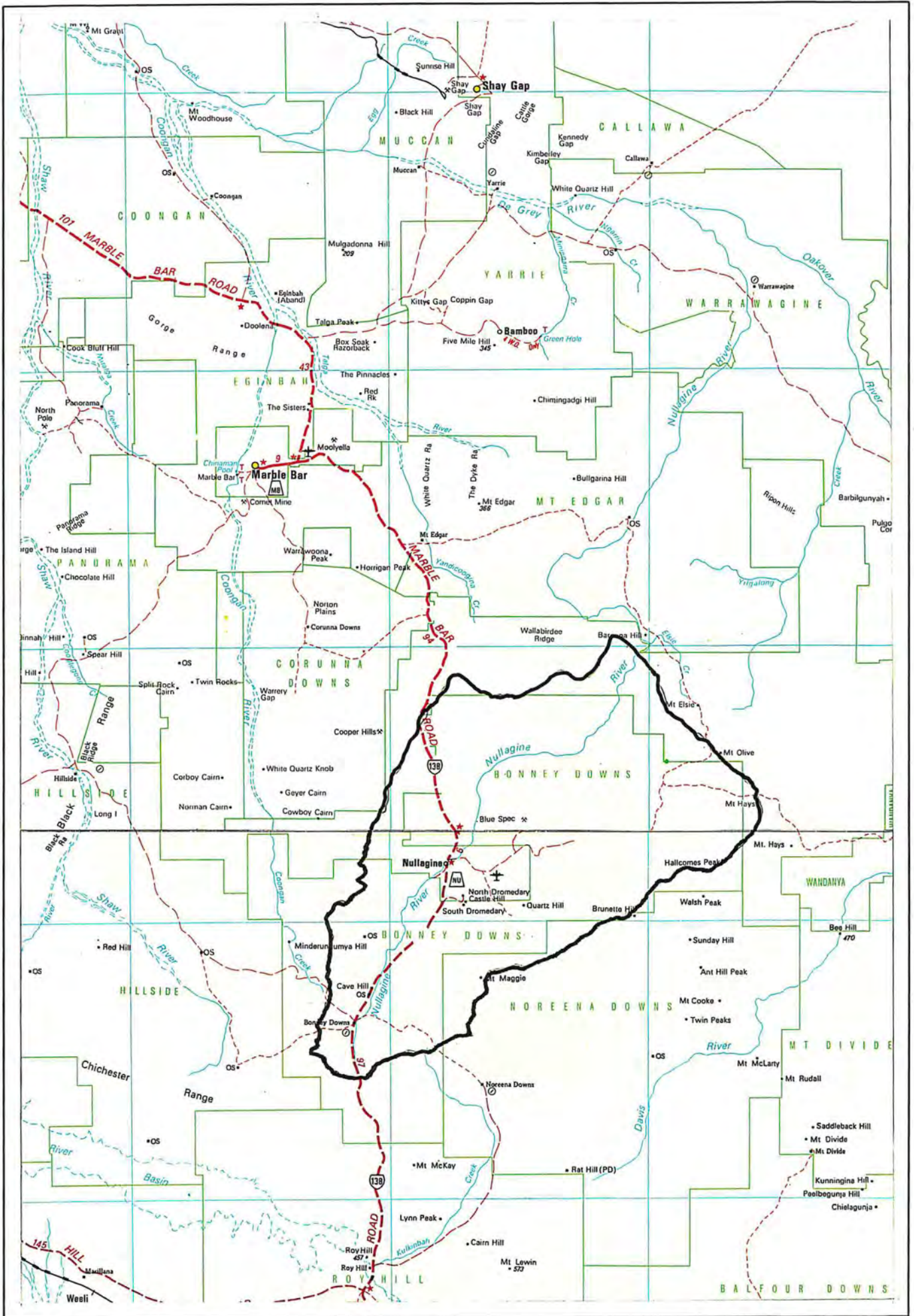
WC: None.  
Other: None.  
Current uses: None.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for the Port Hedland Scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Comments:**

The reliability of data on the mean annual flow and estimated divertible flow is poor. Treatment for turbidity may be required.



Nullagine River

## **Appendix 4: Groundwater Resources**

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***Table A4. 1: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Ashburton River Basin - Upland Area***

***Table A4. 2: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Onslow Coast River Basin - Upland Area***

***Table A4. 3: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Onslow Coastal Plain***

***Table A4. 4: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Fortescue River Basin - Upland Area***

***Table A4. 5: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Port Hedland Coast River Basin - Upland Area***

***Table A4. 6: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Port Hedland Coastal Plain***

***Table A4. 7: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the DeGrey River Basin - Upland Area***

***Table A4. 8: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Sandy Desert Basin***

**River Basin: Onslow Coast****AWRC Basin No: 707****Location: Lower Robe aquifer - near the mouth of the Robe River****Aquifer Details:**

Extent:  
Rock unit: alluvium  
Estimated Recharge:  
Estimated Yield: 10 GL/year  
No of production wells: 6

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh - salinity ranges between 400 - 800 mg/L.  
Other significant parameters: Highly variable, improves at high flows.

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Environmental and social impacts are minimal if water is drawn sustainably.
2. No known Aboriginal sites in the vicinity of the proposed wellfield.

**Investigations / Comments:**

**Groundwater Source:**

**Kumina Creek**

**River Basin: Onslow Coast**

**AWRC Basin No: 707**

**Location: Kumina Creek aquifer**

**Aquifer Details:**

Extent:

Rock unit:

Estimated Recharge:

Estimated Yield: 1 GL/year

No of production wells: 13 (3 of which would be on standby)

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.

Other significant parameters:

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

Located within mining leases. Low direct impact on the environment and on Aboriginal sacred sites.

**Investigations / Comments:**

For this quantity of water it is proposed that an engineering and economic assessment is not warranted.



**River Basin: Fortescue River****AWRC Basin No: 708****Location: Lower Fortescue (Balmoral) aquifer****Aquifer Details:**

Extent:	200 km <sup>2</sup>
Rock unit:	alluvial gravel
Estimated Recharge:	11 GL/year
Estimated Yield:	16 GL/year
No of production wells:	10
Wells Yield:	up to 800 kL/d

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh - salinity range between 400 - 800 mg/L.  
Other significant parameters:

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. There are no known Aboriginal sites in the vicinity of the proposed wellfield.
2. It is probable that populations and foliage of species such as the Ghost Gum, Water Wood and perhaps the Snakewood Mulga, would be thinned by a drop in the watertable by 2 m.
3. Even without causing significant changes in vegetation, development of the borefield could affect the population of the Flock Pigeon, a species which does not readily adapt to human activity.
4. Potential for severe adverse impacts on the aquatic ecosystem of the Lower Fortescue borefield.

**Investigations / Comments:**

This data was obtained from exploratory drilling and test pumping of the alluvium carried out between 1983 and 1985. Development of a dam at Bullinnarwa, and to a lesser extent, Booyeemala, would have a significant impact on the recharge of the aquifer. It is possible the yield could drop by 50%. This requires further investigation.

**Groundwater Source:**

**Fortescue River**

**River Basin: Fortescue River**

**AWRC Basin No: 708**

**Location: Upper Fortescue aquifer**

**Aquifer Details:**

Extent:

Rock unit: Alluvial fans

Estimated Recharge:

Estimated Yield: 0 GL/year

No of production wells:

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.

Other significant parameters:

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Low direct impact on the environment and on Aboriginal sacred sites.
2. The only vegetation likely to be directly influenced by a lowered watertable would be the open woodland of River Gums on the shingle beds of the main tributary creeks.
3. The proposed wellfield is located within the same catchment area as Millstream. Hence abstracting water from the upper Fortescue aquifer could reduce the throughflow of water which ultimately naturally drains into the Millstream system.

**Investigations / Comments:**

From hydrogeological and environmental information, it would appear that the proposed Upper Fortescue wellfield is located within the same catchment area as Millstream. Abstracting water from the Upper Fortescue aquifer could reduce the throughflow of water which ultimately naturally drains into the Millstream system.

**River Basin: Port Hedland Coast****AWRC Basin No: 709****Location: Maitland River Aquifer - near Karratha Station****Aquifer Details:**

Extent:

Rock unit: alluvium

Estimated Recharge:

Estimated Yield: 3 - 5 GL/year

No of production wells: 6 (depending on investigative drilling)

**Water Quality:**

Salinity:

Other significant parameters:

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:**

1. Proposed investigation area is located within an Aboriginal Native Title Claim.
2. Close to some significant permanent pools used for tourism and recreation.

**Investigations / Comments:**

Investigative drilling is proposed to be undertaken in the near future by the Water Corporation. If a subsequent hydrogeological report indicates that there is sufficient water available, the Water Corporation will seek EPA approval for a borefield on the Maitland River.

**River Basin: Sandy Desert****AWRC Basin No: 025****Location: West of Shay Gap****Aquifer Details:**

Extent:  
Rock unit: sedimentary basin  
Estimated Recharge:  
Estimated Yield: 15 - 50 GL/year  
No of production wells:

**Water Quality:**

Salinity: Fresh.  
Other significant parameters:

**Possible future uses:**

Possible water supply for West Pilbara development. The groundwater source could be used as part of a conjunctive use scheme.

**Factors (environmental, social and economic) which may affect future development:****Investigations / Comments:**

**Table A4. 1: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Ashburton River Basin - Upland Area**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage				Recharge					Salinity	Dore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>A</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day/km <sup>2</sup> )			
Valley Fill - Alluvium and colluvium as well as Robe Pisolite and calcrete that occurs in thick valley fill sequences.	Wyloo	190	-	30	0.1	570	Recharge by discharge of drainages into aquifer along valley margins. Equivalent to 90000 m <sup>3</sup> /year/km or 69 x 10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /year over 770 km of valley length.	Fresh - Marginal	250 - 1000 (3270)	Station Town Horticultural			
	Mt. Bruce	650	-	30	0.1	1950							
	Turee Creek	290	-	30	0.1	870							
	Newman	404	-	30	0.1	1212							
<b>Total</b>		<b>1534</b>				<b>4602</b>			<b>69</b>				
Calcrete - Undifferentiated deposits of calcrete.	Wyloo	80	-	15	0.15	180	250	2	0.4	14	Fresh - Brackish Some Saline	< 500	Station
	Edmund	430	-	15	0.15	968	250	2	2	14			
	Turee Creek	530	-	15	0.15	1193	250	2	3	14			
	Mt. Egerton	270	-	15	0.15	608	250	2	1	14			
	Newman	215	-	15	0.15	484	250	2	1	14			
	Collier	960	-	15	0.15	2160	250	2	5	14			
<b>Total</b>		<b>2485</b>				<b>5591</b>			<b>12</b>				
Pisolite - Robe Pisolite	Wyloo	1	0.2	34	0.1	1	325	3	0.002	5	Fresh - Marginal	< 500 - > 3000	Station
	Mt. Bruce	181	36	34	0.1	123	325	3	0.4	5			
	Turee Creek	5	1	34	0.1	3	325	3	0.01	5			
	Newman	6	1	34	0.1	4	325	3	0.01	5			
<b>Total</b>		<b>193</b>				<b>131</b>			<b>0.4</b>				
Morrissey Metamorphic - Variety of metamorphic rocks - gneiss, schist, amphibolite, migmatite skarn, marble and quartzite developed around Proterozoic granites.	Yanrey	1720	344	20	0.01	69	300	1	1	2	Marginal - Saline	< 100 (540)	Station
	Winning Pool	100	20	20	0.01	4	300	1	0.1	2			
	Wyloo	1343	269	20	0.01	54	300	1	1	2			
	Edmund	447	89	20	0.01	18	300	1	0.3	2			
<b>Total</b>		<b>3610</b>				<b>144</b>			<b>2</b>				
Brockman - Brockman Iron Formation	Wyloo	985	197	20	0.02	79	325	1	1	2	Fresh - Marginal	< 100 (2248)	Station
	Mt. Bruce	894	179	20	0.02	72	325	1	1	2			
	Turee Creek	560	112	20	0.02	45	325	1	0.4	2			
	Roy Hill	40	8	20	0.02	3	325	1	0.03	2			
	Newman	397	79	20	0.02	32	325	1	0.3	2			
<b>Total</b>		<b>2876</b>				<b>230</b>			<b>2</b>				

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage				Recharge					Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>A</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>4</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>4</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>7</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day/km <sup>2</sup> )			
Dolomite-	Wyloo	296	59	25	0.1	148	350	2	0.4	4	Fresh - Brackish	50 - 2000	Station Town Horticultural
	Mt. Bruce	506	101	25	0.1	253	350	2	1	4			
	Turee Creek	230	46	25	0.1	115	350	2	0.3	4			
	Roy Hill	9	2	25	0.1	5	350	2	0.01	4			
Wittenoom Dolomite	Newman	305	61	25	0.1	153	350	2	0.4	4			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1346</b>				<b>673</b>			<b>2</b>				
Marra Mamba - Marra Mamba Iron Formation	Wyloo	285	57	25	0.05	71	350	2	0.4	4	Mostly marginal with some brackish.	< 500 (1702)	Station
	Mt. Bruce	878	176	25	0.05	220	350	2	1	4			
	Turee Creek	100	20	25	0.05	25	350	2	0.1	4			
	Roy Hill	8	2	25	0.05	2	350	2	0.01	4			
	Newman	223	45	25	0.05	56	350	2	0.3	4			
<b>Total</b>	<b>1494</b>				<b>374</b>			<b>2</b>					
Hardy - Hardy Sandstone	Wyloo	63	13	30	0.02	8	300	2	0.1	3	Fresh - marginal, some brackish.	< 200 - 1000 (1900)	Station Town Horticultural
	Mt. Bruce	824	165	30	0.02	99	300	2	1	3			
	Turee Creek	396	79	30	0.02	48	300	2	0.5	3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1283</b>				<b>154</b>			<b>2</b>				
Mafic Volcanic Rocks- Bunjinah, Pyradie, Boongal and Bellary Formations as well as the Mount Roe and Cheela Springs Basalt, and Mount Jope Volcanics.	Wyloo	1253	251	10	0.05	125	325	3.0	2	5	Fresh - marginal, some brackish.	100 - 1000 (4087)	Station Town Horticultural
	Mount Bruce	3483	697	10	0.05	348	325	3.0	7	5			
	Turee Creek	1317	263	10	0.05	132	325	3.0	3	5			
	Newman	92	18	10	0.05	9	325	3.0	0.2	5			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6145</b>				<b>615</b>			<b>12</b>				

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day/km <sup>2</sup> )			
Undifferentiated Proterozoic Rocks- Undifferentiated rocks of the Hamersley, Ashburton, Blair, Mount Minnie, Bresnahan and Bangemall Basins.	Yanrey	312	62	20	0.02	25	250	1	0.2	1	Fresh -Saline	300 - 500 (1658)	Station
	Wyloo	7236	1447	20	0.02	579	250	1	4	1			
	Edmund	10610	2122	20	0.02	849	250	1	5	1			
	Mount Bruce	2505	501	20	0.02	200	250	1	1	1			
	Turee Creek	13900	2780	20	0.02	1112	250	1	7	1			
	Mt Eggerton	5523	1105	20	0.02	442	250	1	3	1			
	Roy Hill	15	3	20	0.02	1	250	1	0.01	1			
	Newman	6749	1350	20	0.02	540	250	1	3	1			
	Collier	8436	1687	20	0.02	675	250	1	4	1			
<b>Total</b>	<b>55286</b>				<b>4423</b>			<b>28</b>					
Felsic Volcanics Woongarra Volcanics	Wyloo	360	72	30	0.05	108	350	2.0	0.5	4	Probably Fresh - Marginal. May be some Brackish.	< 500	Station
	Mt Bruce	283	57	30	0.05	85	350	2.0	0.4	4			
	Turee Creek	353	71	30	0.05	106	350	2.0	0.5	4			
	Newman	41	8	30	0.05	12	350	2.0	0.1	4			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1037</b>				<b>311</b>			<b>1.5</b>				
Granitic Rocks - Various rocks of Capricorn Orogen and Pilbara Craton granitoid complex inliers.	Yanrey	950	190	38	0.05	361	275	2.0	1	3	Fresh - Saline Mostly Marginal - Brackish.	<500 (1632)	Station
	Winning Pool	110	22	38	0.05	42	275	2.0	0.1	3			
	Wyloo	1000	200	38	0.05	380	275	2.0	1	3			
	Edmund	244	49	38	0.05	93	275	2.0	0.3	3			
	Newman	136	27	38	0.05	52	275	2.0	0.1	3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2440</b>				<b>927</b>			<b>3</b>				
Greenstone Rocks - Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granite-greenstone inliers.	Newman	15	3	30	0.04	4	225	2	0.01	2	Fresh - Brackish	50 - 500	Station
	Wyloo	24	5	30	0.04	6	300	2	0.03	3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>				<b>9</b>			<b>0.04</b>				
<b>CATCHMENT TOTAL</b>		<b>79768</b>				<b>18184</b>			<b>135</b>				

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

**Table A4. 2: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Onslow Coast River Basin - Upland Area**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>A</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	Volume				
									(m <sup>3</sup> /year 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day km <sup>2</sup> )			
Pisolite -	Yarraloola	253	-	10	0.1	253	300	3	2	25	Marginal	< 500 - > 5000 (1343)	Stallion Town Horticultural
Robe Pisolite Poondano Formation	Total	253				253			2				
Yarraloola -	Yarraloola	919	-	25	0.1	2298	300	1.0	3	8	Mostly saline but is fresh to brackish close to the rivers.	1000 (309)	Station
	Wyloo	28	-	25	0.1	70	300	1.0	0.1	8			
Yarraloola Conglomerate Nanutana Formation	Yanrey	17	-	25	0.1	43	300	1.0	0.1	8			
	Total	964				2410			3				
Morissey Metamorphic -	Wyloo	20	4	20	0.01	1	300	1	0.01	2	Mostly saline with some fresh to brackish water close to the water courses.	< 100 - 500 (540)	Station
	Yanrey	53	11	20	0.01	2	300	1	0.03	2			
Variety of metamorphic rocks - gneiss, schist, amphibolite, migmatite skarn, marble and quartzite developed around Proterozoic granites.	Total	73	15			3			0.04				
Brockman -	Yarraloola	1267	253	20	0.05	253	325	2	2	4	Probably fresh to marginal.	< 100 - 500	Station
	Wyloo	1172	234	20	0.05	234	325	2	2	4			
Brockman Iron Formation	Ali Bruce	577	115	20	0.05	115	325	2	1	4			
	Pyramid	804	161	20	0.05	161	325	2	1	4			
	Total	3820	764			764			5				
Dolomite -	Yarraloola	435	87	25	0.1	218	300	2.5	0.7	4	Fresh to marginal. Rare brackish to saline.	< 50 - 2000	Station Town Horticultural
Wittenoom Dolomite	Total	435	87			218			0.7				
Marra Mamba -	Yarraloola	482	96	25	0.05	121	300	1	0.3	2	Mostly fresh to marginal.	< 500	Station
Marra Mamba Iron Formation	Total	482	96			121			0.3				



Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall		Volume				
							(mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day km <sup>2</sup> )			
Mafic Volcanic Rocks -	Yarraloola	530	106	10	0.05	53	300	4.5	1.4	7	Fresh to marginal	200-500 (500)	Station Town Horticultural
	Wyloo	76	15	10	0.05	8	300	4.5	0.21	7			
Maddina Volcanics Cheela Springs Basalt	Total	606	121			61				2			
Undifferentiated Proterozoic Rocks -	Yarraloola	3227	645	20	0.02	258	325	2	4	4	Mostly brackish to saline. Some fresh to marginal supplies close to the drainage lines.	< 150 (966)	Station
	Wyloo	2567	513	20	0.02	205	325	2	3	4			
Undifferentiated rocks from the Hamersley, Ashbunton, Mount Minnie and Bangemall Basins.	Mt Druce Pyramid	118 44	24 9	20 20	0.02 0.02	9 4	325 325	2 2	0.2 0.1	4 4			
	Total	5956	1191			476				8			
Felsic Volcanic Rocks -	Yarraloola	184	37	30	0.05	55	325	2.0	0.2	4	Probably fresh to marginal.	< 500	Station
	Wyloo	106	21	30	0.05	32	325	2.0	0.1	4			
Woongarra Volcanics	Mt Druce Pyramid	63 96	13 19	30 30	0.05 0.05	19 29	325 325	2.0 2.0	0.1 0.1	4 4			
	Total	449	90			135				0.6			
Granitic Rocks -	Yarraloola	5	1	38	0.05	2	300	2.0	0.01	3	Variable fresh to saline but mostly brackish to saline.	< 50 - 2000	Station
	Yamrey	50	10	38	0.05	19	300	2.0	0.1	3			
Variety of rocks from Pilbara Craton and Gascoyne Complex granitoid complexes.	Wyloo	94	19	38	0.05	36	300	2.0	0.1	3			
	Total	149	30			57				0.2			
CATCHMENT TOTAL			2394			4496				21			

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

**Table A4. 3: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Onslow Coastal Plain**

Aquifer - Subcatchment / Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield				Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply	
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	River Length (km)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year/km)	Total (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )			
Alluvial - Fortescue River/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Yarraloola	< 500	92	12	0.15	166	27	590000	16	1000 (1702)	Station Town Horticultural	
		500 - 1000	98	13	0.15	191						
		1000-1500	41	10	0.05	21						
		1500-3000	53	5	0.05	13						
		>3000	177	14	0.05	124						
<b>Total</b>			<b>461</b>				<b>514</b>				<b>16</b>	
Alluvial - Peter Creek/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Yarraloola	<500	48	6	0.05	14	100	49000	5	100	Station	
		500-1000	152	6	0.05	46						
		1000-1500	470	6	0.05	141						
		1500-3000	722	6	0.05	217						
		>3000	1147	6	0.05	344						
<b>Total</b>			<b>2539</b>				<b>762</b>				<b>5</b>	
Alluvial - Robe River/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Yarraloola	< 500	48	14	0.15	101	25	490000	12	1400 (1640)	Station Town Horticultural	
		500 - 1000	84	11	0.15	139	10	294000				3
		1000-1500	100	9	0.05	45						
		1500-3000	104	12	0.05	62						
		>3000	158	12	0.05	95						
<b>Total</b>			<b>494</b>				<b>442</b>				<b>15</b>	
Alluvial - Warramboe Creek/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Yarraloola & Onslow	<500	20	5	0.05	5	20	49000	1	< 50	Station	
		500-1000	11	5	0.05	3						
		1000-1500	30	5	0.05	8						
		1500-3000	154	5	0.05	39						
		>3000	546	5	0.05	137						
<b>Total</b>			<b>761</b>				<b>190</b>				<b>1</b>	

Aquifer - Subcatchment / Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield				Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	River Length (km)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year/km)	Total (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )		
Alluvial - Cane River/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Yarraloola	<500	85	10	0.05	43	40	100000	4	< 50	Station Town (a) Horticultural (a)
	Onslow	500-1000	130	10	0.05	65					
	Yanrey	1000-1500	338	10	0.05	169					
	Wyloo	1500-3000	470	8	0.05	188					
		>3000	775	6	0.05	233					
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1798</b>			<b>697</b>			<b>4</b>		
Alluvial - Ashburton River/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Onslow	<500	38	12	0.15	68	31	490000	15	500 (131)	Station Town Horticultural
	Yanrey	500-1000	113	12	0.15	203					
		1000-1500	228	8	0.05	91					
		1500-3000	428	8	0.05	171					
		>3000	1720	6	0.05	516					
	<b>Total</b>		<b>2527</b>			<b>1050</b>			<b>15</b>		
Trealla - Trealla Limestone	Yarraloola	Fresh to saline	3743	15	0.002	112	Recharge via leakage from alluvium			100 (980)	Station Town (b) Horticultural (b)
	Onslow										
	Yanrey	<b>Total</b>	<b>3743</b>			<b>112</b>					
	Wyloo										
Pisolite - Robe Pisolite	Yarraloola	Brackish to saline	163	5	0.1	82	Recharge via leakage from overlying aquifers			500	Station
	<b>Total</b>		<b>163</b>			<b>82</b>					
Yarraloola - Yarraloola Conglomerate Birdrong Sandstone	Yarraloola	Fresh to saline	5381	30	0.1	16143	Recharge via leakage from overlying aquifers			1000 (3273)	Station Town Horticultural
	Onslow										
	Yanrey	<b>Total</b>	<b>5381</b>			<b>16143</b>					
	Wyloo										

Aquifer - Subcatchment / Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield			Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	River Length (km)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year/km)		
Lyons - Undifferentiated Lyons Group sediments and Gnedna and Nanyarra Formations.	Yarraloola	Saline	550	60	0.1	3300	Recharge via leakage from overlying aquifers	1000 (4546)	Poor	
	<b>Total</b>		<b>550</b>			<b>3300</b>				
Proterozoic Basement Rocks - Fortescue Group rocks of the Hamersley Basin.	Yarraloola	Fresh to brackish	348	6	0.05	104	Recharge via leakage from overlying aquifers	500 (510)	Station	
	<b>Total</b>		<b>348</b>			<b>104</b>				
<b>BASIN TOTAL</b>			<b>18765</b>			<b>23396</b>		<b>56</b>		

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

(a) In conjunction with the Trealla aquifer

(b) In conjunction with the Alluvial aquifer

**Table A4. 4: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Fortescue River Basin - Upland Area**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage				Recharge			Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply	
		Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall				Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )
Valley Fill - Colluvium, alluvium pisolithic limonite, Millstream Dolomite and calcrete.	Fortescue Valley - Millstream Area								Fresh - Brackish	100 - 6000 (> 5000)	Station Town Horticultural	
	Pyramid	1446		See Table 6.				4003		29		
	Fortescue Valley - From Weelumurra Creek to the Great Northern Highway						Recharge by discharge of drainages into aquifer along valley margins. Equivalent to 277400 m <sup>3</sup> /year/km or 172 x 10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /year over 620 km of valley margin.			Fresh - Saline	100 - 2000 (1440)	Station Town Horticultural
	Pyramid	750		30	0.1	2250						
	Mt Bruce	1077		30	0.1	3231						
	Roy Hill	650		30	0.1	1950						
	Fortescue Valley - Upstream of the Great Northern Highway											
	Roy Hill	4192		15	0.1	6288						
	Newman	375		15	0.1	563						
	Robertson	1875		15	0.1	2813						
	Balfour Downs	2125		15	0.1	3188						
	Hammersley Range						Recharge by discharge of drainages into aquifer along valley margins. Equivalent to 90000 m <sup>3</sup> /year/km or 77 x 10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /year over 850 km of valley length.			Fresh - marginal, some brackish.	500 - 1500 (4560)	Station Town Horticultural
	Mt Bruce	780		30	0.1	2340						
	Roy Hill	330		30	0.1	990						
	Newman	510		30	0.1	1530						
	Robertson	70		30	0.1	210						
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14180</b>				<b>29355</b>				<b>190</b>		
Pisolite - Robe Pisolite	Yarraloola	1	-	10	0.1	1	325	3	0.01	Fresh - Marginal	< 500 - > 5000 (5184)	Station Town Horticultural
	Pyramid	57	-	10	0.1	57	325	3	0.6			
	Mt. Bruce	27	-	10	0.1	27	325	3	0.3			
	Roy Hill	14	-	10	0.1	14	325	3	0.1			
	-Yandi Mine	28	-	34	0.1	95	325	3	0.3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>127</b>				<b>194</b>			<b>1</b>			

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>A</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Area	Area x 20%	Saturated	Storage	Rainfall	Volume		%				
		(m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Thickness (m)	(m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(mm/a)	(m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day/ km <sup>2</sup> )					
Brockman -	Yarraloola	263	53	20	0.02	21	325	2	0.3	4	Fresh - Marginal	< 100 (24)	Station
	Pyramid	567	113	20	0.02	45	325	2	1	4			
Brockman Iron Formation	Mt. Bruce	2159	432	20	0.02	173	325	2	3	4			
	Roy Hill	2678	536	20	0.02	214	325	2	3	4			
	Newman	558	112	20	0.02	45	325	2	1	4			
	Robertson	89	18	20	0.02	7	325	2	0.1	4			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6314</b>				<b>505</b>				<b>8</b>			
Dolomite-	Yarraloola	113	23	25	0.1	57	300	2	0.1	3	Fresh - Marginal	50 - 2000 (1637)	Station Town Horticultural
	Pyramid	1212	242	25	0.1	606	300	2	1	3			
	Mt Bruce	1778	356	25	0.1	889	300	2	2	3			
Wittenoom Dolomite	Roy Hill	4979	996	25	0.1	2490	300	2	6	3			
	Newman	814	163	25	0.1	407	300	2	1	3			
	Robertson	1124	225	25	0.1	562	300	2	1	3			
	Balfour Downs	819	164	25	0.1	410	300	2	1	3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10839</b>				<b>5420</b>				<b>13</b>			
Marra Mamba -	Yarraloola	177	35	25	0.05	44	300	2.5	0.3	4	Fresh - Marginal	< 500 (924)	Station
	Pyramid	1567	313	25	0.05	392	300	2.5	2	4			
Marra Mamba Iron Formation	Mt. Bruce	1226	245	25	0.05	307	300	2.5	2	4			
	Roy Hill	2816	563	25	0.05	704	300	2.5	4	4			
	Newman	513	103	25	0.05	128	300	2.5	1	4			
	Balfour Downs	1328	266	25	0.05	332	300	2.5	2	4			
	Robertson	103	21	25	0.05	26	300	2.5	0.2	4			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7730</b>				<b>1933</b>				<b>12</b>			
Mafic Volcanic Rocks-	Yarraloola	1445	289	10	0.05	145	300	4.5	4	7	Fresh - Marginal Some brackish	< 500 (1091)	Station
	Pyramid	3314	663	10	0.05	331	300	4.5	9	7			
Mount Roe Basalt, Kyleena Basalt, Tumbiana Formation, Pillingind Tuff, Nymerina Basalt, Kuruna Siltstone and Maddina Volcanics	Mt Bruce	76	15	10	0.05	8	300	4.5	0.2	7			
	Roy Hill	365	73	10	0.05	37	300	4.5	1	7			
	Newman	433	87	10	0.05	43	300	4.5	1	7			
	Robertson	33	7	10	0.05	3	300	4.5	0.1	7			
	Balfour Downs	785	157	10	0.05	79	300	4.5	2	7			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6451</b>				<b>645</b>				<b>17</b>			

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage				Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply	
		Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	Recharge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )				
Undifferentiated Proterozoic - Undifferentiated rocks from the Hamersley, Asliburton, Bresnahan, Bangeinall and Savory Basins.	Yarraloola	350	70	20	0.02	28	300	2	0.4	3	Fresh - Saline	< 100 (400)	Station
	Pyramid	395	79	20	0.02	32	300	2	0.5	3			
	Mt Bruce	663	133	20	0.02	53	300	2	1	3			
	Roy Hill	365	73	20	0.02	29	300	2	0.4	3			
	Newman	3521	704	20	0.02	282	300	2	4	3			
	Robertson	2674	535	20	0.02	214	300	2	3	3			
Balfour Downs	1361	272	20	0.02	109	300	2	2	3				
<b>Total</b>		<b>9329</b>				<b>746</b>			<b>11</b>				
Felsic Volcanic Rocks - Woongarra Volcanics	Yarraloola	34	7	30	0.05	10	325	2.0	0.04	4	Fresh - Marginal	< 500	Station
	Mt Bruce	18	4	30	0.05	5	325	2.0	0.02	4			
	Roy Hill	16	3	30	0.05	5	325	2.0	0.02	4			
	Newman	317	63	30	0.05	95	325	2.0	0.4	4			
	Robertson	78	16	30	0.05	23	325	2.0	0.1	4			
<b>Total</b>		<b>463</b>				<b>139</b>			<b>1</b>				
Granitic Rocks - Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granitoid complex inliers.	Newman	2217	443	38	0.05	842	250	2.0	2	3	Fresh - Saline	50 - 2000 (46)	Station
	Robertson	1486	297	38	0.05	565	250	2.0	1	3			
	Balfour Downs	86	17	38	0.05	33	250	2.0	0.1	3			
<b>Total</b>		<b>3789</b>				<b>1440</b>			<b>4</b>				
Greenstone Rocks - Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granite-greenstone inliers.	Newman	75	15	30	0.04	18	225	2	0.1	2	Fresh - Brackish	50 - 500	Station
	<b>Total</b>		<b>75</b>				<b>18</b>			<b>0.1</b>			
<b>CATCHMENT TOTAL</b>		<b>59297</b>				<b>40394</b>			<b>257</b>				

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

(a) Highest yields in Cleaved Sandstone Unit of the Formation

## Summary of Groundwater Resources of Valley Fill Aquifers at Millstream, Fortescue River Catchment

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage				Recharge		Potential for Supply
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	
Calcrete - Millstream Dolomite	Pyramid	< 500	196	11	0.15	323	100 - 10000(a) (5500)	Recharge from leakage of river flow and flood water = 17	Station Town(b) Horticultural
		500 - 1000	646	12	0.15	1163			
		1000-1500	334	18	0.15	902			
		1500-3000	14	18	0.15	38			
<b>Total</b>			<b>1190</b>			<b>2426</b>			
Alluvial - Alluvium Kumina Conglomerate	Pyramid	< 500	123	9	0.1	111	100 - 500 (588)	Recharge from leakage of streams discharging into valley over outwash fans = 12	
		500 - 1000	123	15	0.1	185			
		1000-1500	10	6	0.1	6			
		<b>Total</b>	<b>256</b>			<b>301</b>			
Pisolite - Robe Pisolite Poondano Formation	Pyramid	< 500	67	6	0.1	40	500 - 1500 (1585)		
		500 - 1000	360	9	0.1	324			
		1000-1500	256	4	0.1	102			
		<b>Total</b>	<b>683</b>			<b>467</b>			
Yarraloola - Yarraloola Conglomerate	Pyramid	Mostly fresh minor brackish areas.	176	46	0.1	810	100 - 1000 (1610)(c)		
			<b>Total</b>	<b>176</b>					
<b>AREA TOTAL</b>			<b>2305</b>			<b>4003</b>		<b>29</b>	

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

(a) Average from 12 water supply bores is 9600 m<sup>3</sup>/day (Masterson and Miotti, 1992).

(b) 12 x 10<sup>6</sup> m<sup>3</sup> of groundwater required for environmental support leaves 17 x 10<sup>6</sup> m<sup>3</sup> of recharge.

(c) Yield derived from bore in adjacent catchment but very close to Millstream.



**Table A4. 5: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Port Hedland Coast River Basin - Upland Area**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge				Salinity	Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /d) *	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	Volume					
								% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /d/km <sup>2</sup> )			
Cliff Springs - Cliff Springs Formation	Pyramid	1890	378	30	0.01	113	310	2.5	2.9	4	Fresh - Marginal	<100 - 250 (3600)	Station
	Roeboume	64	13	30	0.01	4	310	2.5	0.1	4			
	Yarraloola	293	59	30	0.01	18	310	2.5	0.5	4			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2247</b>	<b>449</b>			<b>135</b>			<b>3</b>				
Mafic Volcanic Rocks - Mount Roe Basalt Kyleena Basalt Pillingini Tuff Cooya Pooya Dolerite	Yarraloola	1079	216	10	0.05	108	350	4.5	3.4	9	Fresh - Marginal	100 - 500 (382)	Station
	Pyramid	3653	731	10	0.05	365	350	4.5	11.5	9			
	Marble Bar	602	120	10	0.05	60	350	4.5	1.9	9			
	Roy Hill	211	42	10	0.05	21	350	4.5	0.7	9			
	Roeboume	403	81	10	0.05	40	350	4.5	1.3	9			
	Dampier	125	25	10	0.05	13	350	4.5	0.4	9			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6073</b>	<b>1215</b>			<b>607</b>			<b>19</b>				
Granitic Rocks - Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granitoid complexes.	Port Hedland	2504	501	38	0.05	952	325	2.0	3.3	4	Fresh - saline but mostly fresh - marginal.	< 50 - 2100 (1150)	Station
	Roeboume	729	146	38	0.05	277	325	2.0	0.9	4			
	Dampier	527	105	38	0.05	200	325	2.0	0.7	4			
	Yarraloola	522	104	38	0.05	198	325	2.0	0.7	4			
	Pyramid	2418	484	38	0.05	919	325	2.0	3.1	4			
	Roy Hill	34	7	38	0.05	13	325	2.0	0.04	4			
	Marble Bar	5258	1052	38	0.05	1998	325	2.0	6.8	4			
<b>Total</b>	<b>11992</b>	<b>2398</b>			<b>4557</b>			<b>16</b>					
Greenstone Rocks - Roeboume Group	Port Hedland	534	107	30	0.04	128	325	2	0.7	4	Fresh - saline but mostly fresh - brackish.	50 - 500 (2200)	Station
	Roeboume	1196	239	30	0.04	287	325	2	1.6	4			
	Dampier	620	124	30	0.04	149	325	2	0.8	4			
	Yarraloola	186	37	30	0.04	45	325	2	0.2	4			
	Pyramid	1959	392	30	0.04	470	325	2	2.5	4			
	Marble Bar	621	124	30	0.04	149	325	2	0.8	4			
<b>Total</b>	<b>5116</b>	<b>1023</b>			<b>1228</b>			<b>7</b>					
<b>CATCHMENT TOTAL</b>		<b>25428</b>	<b>5086</b>			<b>6527</b>			<b>45</b>				

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

**Table A4. 6: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Port Hedland Coastal Plain**

Aquifer - Subcatchment / Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield				Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /d) *	Potential for Supply
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	River Length (km)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year/km)	Total (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )		
Alluvial - DeGrey River Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Pt Hedland & Yarrie	<500	315	30	0.1	945	164	80000	13	1000 - 2000 (6545)	Station Town Horticultural
		500-1000	713	30	0.1	2139					
		1000-1500	253	20	0.05	253					
		1500-3000	883	15	0.05	662					
		>3000	1095	10	0.05	548					
	Total		3259			4547			13		
Alluvial - Shaw River Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium		<500	428	20	0.1	856	148	80000	12	500 (273)	Station Town Horticultural
		500-1000	713	15	0.1	1070					
		1000-1500	470	10	0.05	235					
		1500-3000	345	5	0.05	86					
		>3000	192	5	0.05	48					
	Total		2148			2295			12		
Alluvial - Tabba Tabba Creek Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Pt Hedland	0-500	4	4	0.05	1	50	18000	1	<100	Station
		500-1000	75	4	0.05	15					
		1000-1500	117	4	0.05	23					
		1500-3000	113	4	0.05	23					
		>3000	150	4	0.05	30					
	Total		459			92			1		
Alluvial - Turner River Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Pt Hedland & Roebourne	<500	70	14	0.1	98	30	90000	3	1000 (630)	Station Town Horticultural
		500-1000	112	12	0.1	134					
		1000-1500	46	12	0.05	28					
		1500-3000	112	11	0.05	62					
		>3000	148	8	0.05	59					
	Total		488			381			3		

Aquifer - Subcatchment / Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Salinity (mg/L)	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield				Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /d) *	Potential for Supply					
			Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	River Length (km)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year/km)	Total (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )							
Alluvial - Yule River Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Roebourne	<500	194	20	0.15	582	48	290000	14	1000-1500 (2793)	Station Town Horticultural					
		500-1000	167	17	0.15	426										
		1000-1500	150	17	0.05	128										
		1500-3000	251	9	0.05	113										
		>3000	167	4	0.05	33										
Total			929			1282		14								
Alluvial - Pewah-Harding River Subcatchment/ Alluvium Colluvium Eluvium	Roebourne	1000-1500	209	4	0.08	67	150	45000	7	< 100 - 1000	Station Town Horticultural					
		1500-3000	110	4	0.08	35										
		>3000	401	4	0.08	128										
		Total			720							230		7		
Granitoid- Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granitoid complexes.	Pt Hedland & Roebourne	Fresh to saline.	8393	5	0.05	2098	Recharge via leakage from alluvium		50-2000 (1637)	Station						
Greenstone - Various rocks of Pilbara Supergroup	Pt Hedland & Roebourne	Fresh to saline.	708	5	0.04	142	Recharge via leakage from alluvium		50-1000 (632)	Station						
<b>COASTAL PLAIN TOTAL</b>			<b>8003</b>			<b>11066</b>			<b>49</b>							

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

**Table A4. 7: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the DeGrey River Basin - Upland Area**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge					Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>A</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /years 10 <sup>6</sup> )	(m <sup>3</sup> /day/km <sup>2</sup> )	Salinity		
Calcrete -	Balfour Downs	615	-	25	0.15	2306	Recharge by river flow.			Fresh - Saline	100 - 5500 (218)	Station	
	Nullagine	356	-	25	0.15	1335	Assumed to be 140000 m <sup>3</sup> /year/km over 120 km						
Oakover Formation and undifferentiated calcrete deposits.	<b>Total</b>	<b>971</b>				<b>3641</b>			<b>17</b>				
Dolomite- Carawine Dolomite Pinjan Chert Breccia	Balfour Downs	2920	584	25	0.1	1460	300	3	5	5	Fresh - Brackish	50 - 4000 (3742)	Station Town Horticultural
	Nullagine	2586	517	25	0.1	1293	300	3	5	5			
	Yarrie	165	33	25	0.1	83	300	3	0.3	5			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5671</b>				<b>2836</b>			<b>10</b>				
Marra Mamba -	Balfour Downs	353	71	25	0.05	88	250	2	0.4	3	Fresh - Brackish	< 500	Station
Marra Mamba Iron Formation	<b>Total</b>	<b>353</b>				<b>88</b>			<b>0.4</b>				
Hardy - Hardy Sandstone	Port Hedland	6	1	30	0.02	1	300	2.0	0.01	3	Fresh - Marginal	100 - 200 (200)	Station
	Marble Bar	351	70	30	0.02	42	300	2.0	0.4	3			
	Yarrie	160	32	30	0.02	19	300	2.0	0.2	3			
	Nullagine	545	109	30	0.02	65	300	2.0	1	3			
	Balfour Downs	18	4	30	0.02	2	300	2.0	0.02	3			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1080</b>				<b>130</b>			<b>1</b>				
Mafic Volcanic Rocks - Maddina Basalt, Nymerina Basalt, Tumbiana Formation, Kyleena Basalt, Mount Roe Basalt and Pearana Basalt.	Port Hedland	1079	216	10	0.05	108	300	4.5	3	7	Fresh - marginal, some brackish.	100 - 500 (218)	Station
	Marble Bar	1060	212	10	0.05	106	300	4.5	3	7			
	Roy Hill	1600	320	10	0.05	160	300	4.5	4	7			
	Yarrie	668	134	10	0.05	67	300	4.5	2	7			
	Nullagine	4308	862	10	0.05	431	300	4.5	12	7			
	Balfour Downs	3182	636	10	0.05	318	300	4.5	9	7			
Robertson	3	1	10	0.05	0.3	300	4.5	0.01	7				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11900</b>				<b>1190</b>			<b>32</b>				

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage				Recharge					Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply																																																																																																																																																																																																																																													
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	Volume		Salinity																																																																																																																																																																																																																																															
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Undifferentiated Proterozoic Rocks -	Roy Hill	58	12	20	0.02	5	300	2	0.1	3	Fresh - Saline	< 150	Station																																																																																																																																																																																																																																												
	Robertson	538	108	20	0.02	43	300	2	1	3				Undifferentiated rocks from the Hamersley, Bangemall and Yencena Basins.	Balfour Downs	3971	794	20	0.02	318	300	2	5	3				Nullagine	233	47	20	0.02	19	300	2	0.3	3	Yarrie	160	32	20	0.02	13	300	2	0.2	3	<b>Total</b>		<b>4960</b>				<b>397</b>			<b>6</b>					Felsic Volcanic Rocks -	Port Hedland	100	20	30	0.05	30	300	2.0	0.1	3	Fresh - Brackish	100 - 600 (800)	Station	Marble Bar	290	58	30	0.05	87	300	2.0	0.3	3	Felsic volcanic rocks of the Archaean greenstone sequence and the Proterozoic Koongaling Volcanics.	Yarrie	117	23	30	0.05	35	300	2.0	0.1	3				Nullagine	707	141	30	0.05	212	300	2.0	0.8	3	<b>Total</b>		<b>1214</b>				<b>364</b>			<b>1</b>					Granite Rocks -	Port Hedland	2359	472	38	0.05	896	300	2.0	3	3	Fresh - saline but mostly fresh - brackish.	< 500 (2100)	Station	Marble Bar	5090	1018	38	0.05	1934	300	2.0	6	3	Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granitoid complexes.	Roy Hill	833	167	38	0.05	317	300	2.0	1	3				Yarrie	1958	392	38	0.05	744	300	2.0	2	3	Nullagine	3052	610	38	0.05	1160	300	2.0	4	3	Balfour Downs	831	166	38	0.05	316	300	2.0	1	3	Robertson	2	0.4	38	0.05	1	300	2.0	0.002	3	<b>Total</b>		<b>14125</b>				<b>5368</b>			<b>17</b>					Mosquito Creek- Mosquito Creek Formation	Nullagine	1708	342	20	0.04	273	300	3.0	3	5	Mostly fresh - brackish, some saline.	< 100 - 1000 (n) (610)	Station	Balfour Downs	138	28	20	0.04	22	300	3.0	0.2	5	<b>Total</b>		<b>1846</b>				<b>295</b>			<b>3</b>
Undifferentiated rocks from the Hamersley, Bangemall and Yencena Basins.	Balfour Downs	3971	794	20	0.02	318	300	2	5	3																																																																																																																																																																																																																																															
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	Marble Bar	290	58	30	0.05	87	300	2.0	0.3	3				Felsic volcanic rocks of the Archaean greenstone sequence and the Proterozoic Koongaling Volcanics.	Yarrie	117	23	30	0.05	35	300	2.0	0.1	3				Nullagine	707	141	30	0.05	212	300	2.0	0.8	3	<b>Total</b>		<b>1214</b>				<b>364</b>			<b>1</b>					Granite Rocks -	Port Hedland	2359	472	38	0.05	896	300	2.0	3	3	Fresh - saline but mostly fresh - brackish.	< 500 (2100)	Station	Marble Bar	5090	1018	38	0.05	1934	300	2.0	6	3	Various rocks of Pilbara Craton granitoid complexes.	Roy Hill	833	167	38	0.05	317	300	2.0	1	3				Yarrie	1958	392	38	0.05	744	300	2.0	2	3	Nullagine	3052	610	38	0.05	1160	300	2.0	4	3	Balfour Downs	831	166	38		0.05	316	300	2.0	1	3	Robertson	2	0.4	38				0.05	1	300	2.0	0.002	3	<b>Total</b>		<b>14125</b>				<b>5368</b>			<b>17</b>					Mosquito Creek- Mosquito Creek Formation	Nullagine	1708	342	20	0.04	273	300	3.0	3	5	Mostly fresh - brackish, some saline.	< 100 - 1000 (n) (610)	Station	Balfour Downs	138	28	20	0.04	22	300	3.0	0.2	5	<b>Total</b>		<b>1846</b>				<b>295</b>			<b>3</b>																																																																				
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Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage					Recharge					Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) <sup>a</sup>	Potential for Supply
		Total Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Area x 20% (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Volume			Salinity			
							Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	(m <sup>3</sup> /year 10 <sup>6</sup> )		(m <sup>3</sup> /day/km <sup>2</sup> )		
Greenstone -	Port Hedland	1065	213	30	0.04	256	300	3.5	2	6	Fresh - saline but mostly fresh - brackish.	<500 (3000)	Station
	Marble Bar	3972	794	30	0.04	953	300	3.5	8	6			
Various rocks from the Pilbara Craton greenstone sequence.	Roy Hill	41	8	30	0.04	10	300	3.5	0.1	6			
	Yanic	628	126	30	0.04	151	300	3.5	1	6			
	Nullagine	940	188	30	0.04	226	300	3.5	2	6			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6646</b>				<b>1595</b>			<b>14</b>				
<b>CATCHMENT TOTAL</b>		<b>48766</b>				<b>15904</b>			<b>103</b>				

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

(a) Highest yields in Cleaved Sandstone Unit of the Formation

**Table A4. 8: Summary of the Groundwater Resources of the Sandy Desert Basin**

Aquifer - Geological Unit	Sheet Name	Groundwater Storage			Recharge/Safe Yield				Bore Yields (m <sup>3</sup> /day) *	Potential for Supply	
		Area (m <sup>2</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Saturated Thickness (m)	Specific Yield	Storage (m <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Rainfall (mm/a)	% Rainfall	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /year x 10 <sup>6</sup> )			Salinity
Broome - Broome Sandstone	Port Hedland	1575	20	0.1	3150	250	3	18	Fresh to saline	1000 (735)	Station Town Horticultural
	Yarrie	1350	0	-	0	250	3	10			
	Mandora	70	20	0.1	140	250	3	1			
<b>Total</b>		<b>2925</b>			<b>3290</b>			<b>29</b>			
Wallal - Wallal Formation	Port Hedland, Yarrie & Mandora	2100	94	0.1	55000	Recharge occurs by leakage through the overlying aquifers			Fresh to saline	2000 (2000)	Station Town Horticultural
<b>Total</b>		<b>2100<sup>(a)</sup></b>			<b>55000</b>			<b>21</b>			
Paterson Paterson Formation	Yarrie Nullagine Balfour Downs	1550 1012 82	100 100 100	0.01 0.01 0.01	1550 1012 82	250 250 250	2 2 2	8 5 0.4	Fresh to saline	500 (528)	Station
<b>Total</b>		<b>2562</b>			<b>2562</b>			<b>13</b>			
<b>BASIN TOTAL</b>		<b>5487</b>			<b>60852</b>			<b>63</b>			

\* Known maximum yield in brackets.

<sup>(a)</sup> Underlies Broome Sandstone and Jarlemai Siltstone

## **Appendix 5: Environmental, Social, Cultural Values**

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***Table A5. 1: Impacts of Forest Land Use on Surface Water Resources***

***Table A5. 2: Impacts of Surface Water Schemes on Forest Land Use***

***Table A5. 3: Impacts of Rural and Urban Land Use on Surface Water Resources***

***Table A5. 4: Impacts of Surface Water Schemes on Rural and Urban Land Use***

***Table A5. 5: Impacts of Land Use on Shallow Groundwater Resources***

***Table A5. 6: Impacts of Shallow Groundwater Schemes on Land Use***

**Table A5. 7: Acceptable, Restricted and Unacceptable Land Uses (DRAFT)**



## Water Quality Protection

### *Inter-relationships between land use and water supply schemes*

The development and operation of water sources involves 'using' land and water. Land is 'consumed' by inundation behind a reservoir, for roads, pipelines, well sites, treatment plants and other structures and earthworks. Water is diverted from streams or by the lowering of groundwater levels in the vicinity of wells. The construction and operation of water infrastructure may have other impacts such as those of dust, odour, vibration and noise. These impacts occur on both the natural environment and the social environment.

The following tables indicate the types of impacts that developments of water resources for public supply have on land use and conversely the impacts that land use has on water sources. This broad assessment is made for surface water and shallow groundwater and for forested, rural and urban land uses.

The tables describe:

Table	Description
A5.1	Impacts of forest land use on surface water resources.
A5.2	Impacts of surface water schemes on forest land use.
A5.3	Impacts of rural and urban land use on surface water resources.
A5.4	Impacts of surface water schemes on rural and urban land use.
A5.5	Impacts of land use on shallow groundwater resources.
A5.6	Impacts of shallow groundwater schemes on land use.

Confined aquifer wells have very little impact on land uses in their vicinity because they occupy a very small area of land and are not affected by, nor do they affect, nearby surface uses of the land. However, an operating well creates a local area of low pressure in the confined groundwater. Any other confined well within this area of low pressure will experience reduced pumping efficiency.

Note that one of the key impacts described in the tables is that of land use on the quality of water resources.

**Table A5. 1: Impacts of forest land use on surface water resources.**

	CONSERVATION RESERVES	TIMBER PRODUCTION	MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS (Beekeeping, charcoal, firewood, gravel)	MINING	SERVICE CORRIDORS	RECREATION	CONSERVATION OF ECOSYSTEMS
FLOW Volume (yield)	High density forest has low yield.	Higher yield from forest with reduced density from logging.	As for timber production except less intense.	Some increase in yield during mining; possible reduction after rehabilitation if vegetation very dense.	Negligible effects.	Negligible effects.	Possible reduction of water for water supply due to ecosystem maintenance.
SALINITY	Streams in conservation reserves usually fresh.	If logging spreads dieback and/or forest density is reduced, stream salinity may increase in lower rainfall areas.	As for timber production except less intense.	No risk in high rainfall areas. Risk in lower rainfall areas is being determined.	May have indirect effects in low rainfall areas through spread of dieback.	As for service corridors.	May help prevent activities which risk salinity increases.
TURBIDITY	Minimal.	Careful management needed to avoid turbidity from logging areas.	As for timber production except less intense.	Management required to avoid turbid runoff from pits and haul roads.	A serious source of turbidity.	Recreation causes little turbidity.	Nil.
CHEMICAL POLLUTION	Nil.	Minimal (chemical spills).	As for timber production except less intense.	Minor risk of fuel spills. Leachate from tailings.	Risk of transport of hazardous chemicals in catchments.	Low (litter, nutrients).	Nil.
BIOLOGICAL POLLUTION	Minimal (illegal entry)	Minimal (operators)	As for timber production except less intense.	Minimal (operators)	High risk where roads encourage human access to streams.	High risk where camping is popular and close to water.	Nil.

**Table A5. 3: Impacts of rural and urban land use on surface water resources.**

	PASTURE	CROPS	HORTICULTURE	RURAL INDUSTRY (e.g. abattoir, refineries)	INTENSIVE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY	SPECIAL RURAL (Hobby farms)	URBAN
FLOW VOLUME (yield)	Large yield increase compared to forested area. Irrigation may increase or reduce yield depending upon source of water.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	Demand for industrial water supply may reduce flow.	Minor reduction in yield if water supply required.	As for intensive animal husbandry.	Increased runoff from road, and roofs, but not usually significant because urban areas are usually only a small fraction of catchment.
SALINITY FROM GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE	Clearing may cause brackish or saline streams after clearing in lower rainfall, higher soil-salt storage areas.	As for pasture.	Not usually in salinity - risk areas.	N/A	N/A	As for pasture.	N/a
TURBIDITY	High risk of turbidity if animals have direct access to stream.	High risk of turbid runoff from ploughed fields.	As for crops.	Poor management of site or process can cause severe turbidity.	Turbidity is only a risk in some cases of poor management.	Low risk of turbidity, except when there is a large number of different land owners.	Runoff from roads and verges can cause turbidity.
CHEMICAL POLLUTION	Risk of pollution from agricultural chemicals, pesticides and fertilisers.	As for pasture.	High risk of pollution from pesticides and fertilisers if their application is not controlled.	Harmful chemicals may be discharged to stream if pollution is not controlled.	Risk of pollution from high nutrient loads in effluent and runoff from site unless adequately managed.	As for pasture.	Risk of pollution from urban runoff which contains rubber, fuel and oil, spillage of poisons; drainage from rubbish disposal sites.
BIOLOGICAL POLLUTION	Risk from human and stock access to stream or reservoir.	Minimal.	Usually higher density of human habitation than crops or pasture hence higher risk.	Highly polluting effluent should be treated to acceptable standard before discharge to stream or preferably removed from catchment.	High risk if effluent not adequately treated or removed from catchment.	Relatively high density of housing using septic systems increases risk of pollution of streams. Generally higher level of human activity near streams produces significant pollution.	Disposal of sewage can present a risk of pollution. High concentration of people increases risk of pollution from human contact with stream water or impounded water.

**Table A5. 2: Impacts of surface water schemes on forest land use.**

	CONSERVATION RESERVES	TIMBER PRODUCTION	MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS (Beekeeping, charcoal, firewood, gravel)	MINING	SERVICE CORRIDORS	RECREATION	CONSERVATION OF ECOSYSTEMS
Catchment areas	Priority for conservation does not prevent use as a catchment	Imposes costs of careful management	As for timber production	Imposes costs of careful management	Prefer routes away from streamlines	May constrain particular activities in particular areas	Recognition of catchment areas has limited the clearing of native forests for agriculture.
STORAGE DAMS	Storage dams cannot be located in conservation reserves	Some loss of timber growing land in the reservoir basin, which is likely to be above average quality, due to richer soils in valley floors.	As for timber production	Some mineral may be lost under water. Dam and reservoir may constrain routes of haul roads and conveyors.	May constrain routes.	Adds tourist attraction, but active water pastimes may be restricted. Reduces lengths of wild rivers by inundation.	The total area of Murray type landform is proportionately most reduced by reservoirs, compared to other landforms.
a) Impacts of dam and reservoir basin							
b) Downstream impacts	Flow quantity and variation is reduced.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Flow regulation may improve value of river downstream for recreation.	Flow quantity and variation is reduced.
PIPEHEAD DAMS	Although incompatible at site of works, small size makes a compromise easier if there is a conflict.	Negligible.	As for timber production.	No impact except for especially careful management in vicinity of pipehead.	Negligible	Access usually restricted. Little impact on recreational value of downstream flows.	Creates long-lasting pool in river where previously there was only occasional flooding.
PIPELINES	Similar to roads and powerlines.	Similar to roads and powerlines.	As for timber production.	Constrain routes for haul roads.	Slightly higher costs at intersections of pipes with other services.	May be visually intrusive in landscape. May improve walking access to forest.	Similar to roads and powerlines.

**Table A5. 4: Impacts of surface water schemed on rural and urban land use.**

	PASTURE	CROPS	HORTICULTURE	RURAL INDUSTRY (e.g. abattoir, refineries)	INTENSIVE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY	SPECIAL RURAL (Hobby farms)	URBAN
Catchment areas	No impact on conservative farming practices. Potential for rezoning to more densely inhabited or industrial land use may be restricted.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	Imposes cost of careful management. Industry producing toxic wastes should be excluded from catchment.	Imposes cost of careful management and possible relocation if near stream.	As for pasture and urban. Control on location of septic tanks.	Possibly extra costs for sewage and rubbish disposal. Need to keep urban development away from streams.
STORAGE DAMS							
a) Impacts of dam and reservoir basin	Private land would need to be resumed in reservoir basin and dam works area.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.
b) Downstream impacts	Flows greater than required for riparian rights are markedly reduced. Flooding is reduced.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture. If industries have used stream for water supply, special arrangements for continued use may be required.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.
PIPEHEAD DAMS	As for storage dam except that required land area is very much smaller.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for storage dam except that impact on downstream flows is less.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.
PIPELINES	Easement required on pipeline route. Above ground pipe can give problems of access and slight loss of productive land. Below ground pipe has minimal impact.	As for pasture.	As for pasture.	Pipe route would probably avoid industrial site.	As for special rural.	As for pasture, except pipe route would probably avoid private land.	If pipeline must pass through urban land, there may be difficulty fitting in with other services.

**Table A5. 5: Impacts of land use on shallow groundwater resources.**

	NATURAL VEGETATION	WETLANDS	PINE FOREST	MARKET GARDEN HORTICULTURE SPECIAL RURAL	URBAN	RURAL INDUSTRY	INTENSIVE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY
VOLUME AVAILABLE YEARLY	May be limited by need to maintain native vegetation except where the depth to groundwater is sufficiently deep.	May be limited by need to maintain wetlands.	For about 10 years after clearing to plant pines, there is increased recharge. As trees grow older there is less recharge than with native vegetation.	Water available for public supply is reduced by most of the amount withdrawn for irrigation (remainder soaks back to the water table).	Increased runoff from roads and roofs increases recharge, but stormwater drainage may divert some flow away from recharging groundwater.	Water available for public supply reduced by amount drawn from groundwater by industry.	As for market gardens.
POLLUTION	No impact.	No impact unless wetlands receive drainage from urban, industrial or market garden areas.	No impact unless there is inappropriate use of chemicals.	Groundwater pollution by pesticides, fertilisers, effluent from septic tanks.	Groundwater pollution by pesticides, fertilisers, waste and leaked petroleum. Drainage from rubbish disposal sites, effluent from septic tanks.	Groundwater pollution specific to the industry may occur through waste disposal.	Groundwater pollution by effluent from treatment of wastes.

**Table A5. 6: Impacts of shallow groundwater schemes on land use**

	NATURAL VEGETATION	WETLANDS	PINE FOREST	MARKET GARDEN HORTICULTURE SPECIAL RURAL	URBAN	RURAL INDUSTRY	INTENSIVE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY
UNDERGROUND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AREAS, GROUNDWATER AREAS, PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY AREAS	No impact.	Conservation value is maintained through management plans.	Plantation management may be modified to give priority to water production.	Licensing of private wells raises the awareness of the limited availability of the water resource and encourages efficient use. Management is required to prevent pollution of groundwater.	Private wells are licensed and care is taken by public authorities in siting of waste disposal and industry. Management is required to prevent pollution of groundwater.	Water Authority generally objects to industry with potential for groundwater pollution being sited in these areas. Other industries as for market gardens.	As for rural industry.
WELLS	Tree deaths may occur near wells in droughts. Yearly groundwater production plans are designed to limit this occurrence. 200 sq. m of land is required for works at well site.	Locations of wells chosen and wells operated to minimise effects on wetlands.	Viability of pines not affected by groundwater level. 200 sq. m of land is required for works at well site.	Lowers the water table in immediate vicinity. Where wells are situated close together, they may need to be deeper than if further apart. Allocation policy and management are required.	Sites for wells are usually found on public land where their impact is similar to other service installations.	Wells should not be sited in the vicinity of an industry with potential for pollution. Other industry as for market gardens.	As for rural industry.
COLLECTOR MAINS	Mains are generally buried but access is required along route. Existing roads used wherever possible.	Mains are not located in wetlands.	As for natural vegetation.	An easement is required if mains must be located on private land. Impact of main on land use is minimal.	Routes for collector mains must be found in road reserves as for other services.	Routes for mains would avoid conflict with requirements of industry.	As for rural industry.
GROUNDWATER TREATMENT PLANTS	Approx. 6 ha site required for treatment works and disposal of sludge.	N/A	As for natural vegetation.	N/A	Works would be visually obtrusive, and may be source of odour and noise for adjacent houses. Buffer zone required.	N/A	N/A

## Overview of Water Source Protection Policies (DRAFT)

The Water and Rivers Commission is responsible for managing and protecting Western Australia's water resources. The Commission has developed policies for the protection of public drinking water source areas, including the draft policy: "*Protection of Groundwater Resources Used for Drinking Water Supplies in Country Areas of Western Australia*". This policy defines three levels of priority classification for the protection of groundwater resources.

**Priority 1 (P1)** source protection areas are defined to ensure that there is no degradation of the water source. P1 areas are declared over land where the provision of the highest quality public drinking water is the prime beneficial land use. P1 areas would typically include land under Crown ownership. Development is generally not permitted in P1 areas.

**Priority 2 (P2)** source protection areas are defined to ensure that there is no increased risk of pollution to the water source. P2 areas are declared over land where low intensity development (such as rural) already exists. Provision of public water supply is a high priority in these areas. Some development is allowed under specific guidelines.

**Priority 3 (P3)** source protection areas are defined to minimise the risk of pollution to the water source. P3 areas are declared over land where water supply needs co-exist with other land uses such as residential, commercial and light industrial developments. Protection of P3 areas is achieved through management guidelines rather than restrictions on land use. If the water source does become contaminated, then water may need to be treated or an alternative water source be found.

In addition to priority classification, **wellhead protection zones** are defined to protect the aquifer from contamination in the immediate vicinity of production wells. Wellhead protection zones are usually circular, with a radius of 500 metres in P1 areas and 300 metres in P2 and P3 areas. These zones do not extend outside water reserves. Restrictions apply to storage of fuels, solvents, oils and pesticides within these zones.



**Table A5.7: Acceptable, Restricted and Unacceptable Land Uses (DRAFT)**

This table is to be used as a guideline only. The Water and Rivers Commission should be consulted regarding any developments or changes of land use within Public Drinking Water Source Areas. Information relating to land use and developments which are not listed in the table can be obtained from the Water and Rivers Commission.

Definitions

*Acceptable*

The development/land use is compatible with the management objectives of the priority classification

*Unacceptable*

The development/land use is incompatible with the management objectives of the priority classification

*Restricted*

The development/land use may be compatible with the management objectives of the priority classification with appropriate site management practices  
*Restricted activities should be referred to the Commission for assessment on a case specific basis*

**AGRICULTURE - ANIMALS**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Animal Husbandry (extensive)	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Animal Husbandry (intensive)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Apiary	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
Aquaculture	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Dairy Farming	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Feedlots	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Livestock grazing (extensive)	Restricted	Acceptable	Acceptable
Livestock grazing (intensive)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable
Piggery	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Poultry farming (housed)	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Stables	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Stockholding and saleyards	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted

**AGRICULTURE - PLANTS**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Broad acre cropping	Restricted	Acceptable	Acceptable
Floriculture (extensive)	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Floriculture (intensive)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Horticulture	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Hydroponic Horticulture	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Orcharding	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Potted Nurseries	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Silviculture	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable
Turf Farms	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Viticulture	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable

**DEVELOPMENT - COMMERCIAL**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Aircraft Servicing	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Amusement Centre	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Automotive business	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Boat Servicing	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Caravan and trailer hire	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Carpark	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Consulting rooms	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>

**DEVELOPMENT - COMMERCIAL (continued)**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Cottage Industries	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable
Drive in take-away food shop	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Drive in theatre	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Dry Cleaning Premises	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Farm supply centre	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Fuel depot	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Garden Centre	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Local shop	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Market	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Milk depot	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Restaurant	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable
Service Station	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Transport Depot	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Veterinary Clinic/hospital	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Wrecking vehicles and machinery	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted

**DEVELOPMENT - INDUSTRIAL**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
General Industry	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Heavy Industry	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Light Industry	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Power Stations	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

**DEVELOPMENT - URBAN**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Aged and dependent persons accommodation	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Amenity building	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Airports or landing grounds	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Cemetery	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Civic building	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Club	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Community hall	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable
Family Day Care Centre	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Funeral parlour	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Health Centre	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Hospital	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Medical centre	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>

**EDUCATION/RESEARCH**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Education Centres	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Primary/Secondary Schools	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Scientific Research	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable
Universities	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>

**MINING AND MINERAL PROCESSING**

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Extractive Industries	Restricted <sup>2</sup>	Restricted <sup>2</sup>	Restricted <sup>2</sup>
Mining/Mineral Exploration	Restricted <sup>4</sup>	Restricted <sup>4</sup>	Restricted <sup>4</sup>
Tailings Dams	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted

### PROCESSING OF ANIMALS/ANIMAL PRODUCTS

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Abattoirs	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Cheese/butter factory	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Composting (using sewage sludge and animal products)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Fish Processing	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Tannery	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Woolscourer	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

### PROCESSING OF PLANTS/PLANT PRODUCTS

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Breweries	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Composting (not using sewage sludge or animal products)	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Vegetable/food processing	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Wineries	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted

### SUBDIVISION

Subdivision of land to lots of any size is unacceptable within Priority 1 areas

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Kennel Subdivisions	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Rural with a minimum lot size of 4 ha (unsewered)	Unacceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
Rural with a minimum lot size of 1 ha (unsewered)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable
Special rural with a minimum lot size of 2 ha (unsewered) <sup>5</sup>	Unacceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
Special rural with a minimum lot size of 1 ha (unsewered) <sup>5</sup>	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable
Urban Residential	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>

### SPORT AND RECREATION

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Equestrian Centre	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Golf Courses	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Irrigated Recreational Parks	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Motor sports	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Public Swimming Pools	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Recreational activities (active)	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>3</sup>	Restricted <sup>3</sup>
Recreational activities (passive) eg. horse riding, bush walking	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable

### STORAGE OF DESIGNATED SUBSTANCES

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Above ground storage of designated substances	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted
Bulk Chemical Storage	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Underground Storage Tanks	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted

### TOURISM ACCOMMODATION

Development	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Bed and Breakfast	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable
Caravan Parks	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted <sup>6</sup>
Holiday accommodation	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>
Motel lodging house, hostels	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Acceptable <sup>6</sup>

**WASTE TREATMENT AND MANAGEMENT**

<b>Development</b>	<b>Priority 1</b>	<b>Priority 2</b>	<b>Priority 3</b>
Deep well injection of effluent	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Municipal Landfills	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Recycling depot	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Refuse transfer stations	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Sewers	Unacceptable	Restricted	Restricted
Tyre Storage	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Wastewater Treatment Plants	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Restricted
Water Treatment Plants	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted

**OTHER DEVELOPMENTS**

<b>Development</b>	<b>Priority 1</b>	<b>Priority 2</b>	<b>Priority 3</b>
Caretakers house	Restricted	Restricted	Acceptable
Construction Projects	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted
Forestry	Restricted <sup>1</sup>	Acceptable	Acceptable
National Parks	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
Nature Reserves	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
Radio and TV installation	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted
Major Transport Routes	Unacceptable	Restricted	Acceptable

- 1: Restrictions apply to fertiliser application rates with strict controls on the application of pesticides and field operations
- 2: Restrictions apply to the storage of fuels and chemicals with strict guidelines for rehabilitation
- 3: Restrictions on the use of fuels or chemicals apply
- 4: Subject to conditions placed on lease
- 5: Note: Special rural development requires appropriate provisions in the town planning scheme text
- 6: Must be connected to deep sewerage

## **Appendix 6: Existing Town Water Supply Statistics**

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***Table A6. 1: West Pilbara Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 2: Onslow Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 3: Tom Price Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 4: Paraburdoo Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 5: Pannawonica Water Supply Statistics***

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***Table A6. 7: Marble Bar Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 8: Nullagine Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 9: Wittenoom Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 10: Newman Water Supply Statistics***

***Table A6. 11: Telfer Water Supply Statistics***

**Table A6.1: West Pilbara Water Supply Statistics**

<b>Karratha</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	2428	2846948	-
82/83	2580	3143402	-
83/84	2653	2734367	3246634
84/85	2771	2578832	3126874
85/86	3203	2844245	3521226
86/87	3491	3130497	-
87/88	3584	3594586	4145088
88/89	3588	3178896	-
89/90	3584	2663336	3387007
90/91	3587	2910045	3585484
91/92	3587	2771129	3548164
92/93	3634	2551870	3199304
93/94	3681	2582779	3424045
<b>Roebourne</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	326	167936	247912
82/83	338	373426	524516
83/84	333	328799	442148
84/85	354	283791	418102
85/86	359	349575	476351
86/87	359	332625	-
87/88	355	426846	487150
88/89	353	369199	-
89/90	357	389051	469469
90/91	355	387264	471732
91/92	351	363399	457326
92/93	351	251375	401797
93/94	352	368620	431236
<b>Wickham</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	677	1098507	-
82/83	692	1309199	-
83/84	719	1238401	1028386
84/85	747	1016319	1255945
85/86	766	1012836	1197975
86/87	763	843209	-
87/88	768	916074	1107560
88/89	770	775263	-
89/90	773	774790	950217
90/91	791	683457	765114
91/92	773	570970	629999
92/93	774	460030	567322
93/94	775	473056	580308

<b>Point Samson</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
81/82	61	47483	-
82/83	66	47383	-
83/84	63	43995	55466
84/85	75	43919	52906
85/86	70	43625	60524
86/87	71	43461	-
87/88	73	71085	52980
88/89	73	54134	-
89/90	72	52863	70852
90/91	70	56452	62181
91/92	71	58449	62258
92/93	72	46861	53687
93/94	80	49301	53404
<b>Dampier</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
81/82	16	3467033	-
82/83	47	3471	-
83/84	99	119530	-
84/85	103	242230	-
85/86	134	162696	-
86/87	170	186846	-
87/88	200	224341	224341
88/89	226	214387	-
89/90	307	213954	1373875
90/91	320	266785	4183390
91/92	338	269384	1252568
92/93	344	258063	4657216
93/94	344	295292	4695184
<b>Supply Main</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
90/91			4183390
91/92			2367855
92/93		3551736	4657216
93/94		3981545	4695184
<b>TOTAL</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
81/82	3508	7627907	247912
82/83	3723	4876881	524516
83/84	3867	4465092	4772634
84/85	4050	4165091	10772606
85/86	4532	4412977	11355500
86/87	4854	4536638	10528516
87/88	4980	5232932	11037147
88/89	5010	4591879	10720000
89/90	5093	4093994	9520000
90/91	5123	4304003	8753684
91/92	5120	4033331	8381325
92/93	5175	7119935	8879326
93/94	5232	7750593	9184177

*Italics: Delivery figures for Dampier include Supply Main delivery figures*

<b>Table A6.2: Onslow Water Supply Statistics</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	152	167936	247912
82/83	159	162899	237318
83/84	165	151694	197330
84/85	186	146761	213765
85/86	219	197393	254545
86/87	245	222984	266047
87/88	289	234733	271963
88/89	256	236091	298972
89/90	264	254299	306725
90/91	270	275720	314217
91/92	273	262371	302320
92/93	280	223982	277112
93/94	291	279381	357000



Table A6.3: Tom Price Water Supply Statistics						
TOTAL						
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Southern Fortescue (kL pa)	Hardey River (kL pa)	Mt Lionel (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
82/83	151	38170	-	-	-	-
83/84	230	420233	-	-	-	-
84/85	320	326544	-	-	-	-
85/86	366	479983	-	-	-	-
86/87	477	441560	-	-	-	-
87/88	565	433776	3560000	1663000	840000	6063000
88/89	635	481294	3123000	2220000	591000	5934000
89/90	868	659929	3787000	2141000	803000	6731000
90/91	924	770817	4454000	2157000	961000	7572000
91/92	1012	764830	4680000	1660000	521000	6861000
92/93	1021	804875	5282000	1709000	630000	7621000
93/94	1029	732252	-	-	-	-
Licensed Capacity			4693000	2251000	1103000	8047000

**Table A6.4: Paraburdoo Water Supply Statistics**

TOTAL						
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Mine Wellfield (kL pa)	Town Wellfield (kL pa)	4 East NW Dewatering (kl pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
82/83	63	23686	-	-	-	-
83/84	112	153826	-	-	-	-
84/85	143	196946	-	-	-	-
85/86	181	260649	-	-	-	-
86/87	258	255621	-	-	-	-
87/88	329	343113	1169000	2131000	-	3300000
88/89	389	368239	968000	2273000	-	3241000
89/90	545	444739	1158000	2215000	-	3373000
90/91	569	532552	1360000	1881000	-	3241000
91/92	671	498070	1078000	1601000	-	2679000
92/93	679	521033	410000	1085000	1964000	3459000
93/94	678	586068	-	-	-	-
Licensed Capacity						4300000

**Table A6.5: Pannawonica Water Supply Statistics**

<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
89/90	-	-	606787
90/91	-	-	647973
91/92	-	-	574214
92/93	-	-	-
93/94	-	-	-

<b>Table A6.6: Port Hedland Water Supply Statistics</b>			
<b>Port Hedland</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	1116	2935088	-
82/83	1115	2853607	-
83/84	1096	2722342	-
84/85	1137	1024975	2786217
85/86	1140	2846439	-
86/87	1218	2861413	3138610
87/88	1227	2595021	2825483
88/89	1219	2488508	2779376
89/90	1228	2542457	2883510
90/91	1232	2769502	3102305
91/92	1229	2605346	1960388
92/93	1248	2615514	1599705
93/94	1280	2632579	1886438
<b>South Hedland</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	2062	1900313	-
82/83	2117	1918817	-
83/84	2176	2069495	-
84/85	2276	2175516	-
85/86	2386	2174358	-
86/87	2468	2130691	2333343
87/88	2489	2507006	2705145
88/89	2518	2619724	2358760
89/90	2530	2810834	2523281
90/91	2523	2839548	2561841
91/92	2485	2869151	2481222
92/93	2508	2792496	2353388
93/94	2520	2951751	2527087
<b>BHP</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
90/91			3102305
91/92			1075296
92/93			825872
93/94			1011548
<b>Wedgefield</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	199	176699	-
82/83	-	140583	-
83/84	200	146011	-
84/85	212	166239	-
85/86	211	177398	-
86/87	216	186809	274047
87/88	216	184746	218057
88/89	222	168093	214930
89/90	231	172657	209778
90/91	233	197531	245514
91/92	242	186795	300723
92/93	249	188663	4911588
93/94	254	213081	261419

<b>Finucane Island</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
90/91			814848
91/92			1014848
92/93			1008210
93/94			840226
<b>Supply Main</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
90/91			33631
91/92			25410
92/93			20030
93/94			24618
<b>TOTAL</b>			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
81/82	3377	5012100	-
82/83	3232	5056279	6071250
83/84	3472	5027048	5808275
84/85	3625	5150531	5756303
85/86	3737	5422696	5995016
86/87	3902	5494345	6069681
87/88	3932	5286773	5748685
88/89	3959	5276325	5353066
89/90	3989	5525948	5616569
90/91	3988	5806581	9860444
91/92	3956	5661292	6857887
92/93	4005	5596673	10718793
93/94	4054	5797411	6551336

*Italics: Delivery figures for Port Hedland include BHP delivery figures*

<b>Table A6.7: Marble Bar Water Supply Statistics</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	91	97771	107771
82/83	91	130693	140693
83/84	92	136954	160473
84/85	98	123700	145180
85/86	95	116270	151729
86/87	103	107914	139808
87/88	104	117100	148697
88/89	126	106991	121043
89/90	123	100574	131903
90/91	123	131302	180313
91/92	123	123851	162817
92/93	123	129491	162234
93/94	124	129396	142982

**Table A6.8: Nullagine Water Supply Statistics**

<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
81/82	26	26763	26763
82/83	26	27882	33871
83/84	28	27882	33871
84/85	29	30212	41565
85/86	30	30370	39937
86/87	29	24855	29947
87/88	31	37823	46965
88/89	34	38654	56703
89/90	42	47804	65044
90/91	42	35687	40476
91/92	44	22908	32947
92/93	44	34837	35191
93/94	46	43371	49925

**Table A6.9: Wittenoorn Water Supply Statistics**

TOTAL			
YEAR	Total no of Services	Total Consumption (kL pa)	Total Water Delivered (kL pa)
81/82	138	121855	194805
82/83	136	89804	133541
83/84	131	72178	109179
84/85	128	66468	103105
85/86	128	65610	104051
86/87	118	49473	79724
87/88	101	51937	75865
88/89	92	55870	86220
89/90	89	47718	91740
90/91	81	40936	80504
91/92	79	37370	69043
92/93	78	32203	84563
93/94	76	37042	92740



**Table A6.10: Newman Water Supply Statistics**

<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>Total no of Services</b>	<b>Total Consumption (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Water Delivered (kL pa)</b>
90/91	1579	406147	-
91/92	1664	1293344	1801776
92/93	1677	1410475	-
93/94	1689	1433167	-

<b>Tablec A6.11: Telfer Water Supply Statistics</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>Borefield</b>	<b>1995 Delivery (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Potable (kL pa)</b>	<b>Total Raw (kL pa)</b>
Wilki/Glen	285439	<i>301228</i>	
Gardens	8497		
Wilki South	7292		
Passmore Fault	967976		
Campsandstone	877900		
West Dome	2758955		
Punta Punta	1177206		
Pit 13	-		
Staggers	1243233		7025270

*Italics: Potable Water*

## **Appendix 7: Water Entitlement Agreements**

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***Table A7. 1: West Pilbara Scheme - Water Entitlements***

***Table A7. 2: East Pilbara Scheme - Water Entitlements***

## **Current Water Entitlement Agreements**

During the late 1960's and 1970's several agreements with the large companies operating in the Pilbara were entered into with the State. These agreements entitled the companies to an agreed quantity of water, either on a daily or annual basis. The agreed quantity of water to be supplied to the companies, in all cases, was for domestic as well as industrial purposes. These agreements apply to both the West Pilbara Water Supply Scheme and the Port Hedland Scheme.

### **West Pilbara**

#### ***Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd***

This agreement was made on the 10/11/69. The agreement with Hamersley is for the Water Corporation to supply 13 640 kL/d to the Karratha and Dampier areas. In a letter dated 19 November 1969, Hamersley Iron agree that the quota is to supply industrial, domestic and domestic needs of a consequential growth up to 5%. Hamersley have an additional entitlement of 9090 kL/d from Millstream to the Yannery Tank. In a letter dated 11 December 1970, Hamersley Iron in paragraphs 3 & 4 refer to the possibility of developing alternative sources and restrictions respectively.

#### ***Robe River***

This agreement was made on the 13/7/76. The agreement with Robe River is for the Water Corporation to supply 11 820 kL/d to the Cape Lambert and Wickham areas. Robe Rivers' entitlement can be increased to 18 185 kL/d subject to Robe meeting the deferred capital expenditure on works, provided in the agreement. Clause B of the agreement refers to water supplied for both industrial and domestic use and Clause H, paragraphs 12 & 13, refer to restrictions and alternative sources respectively.

#### ***Woodside Offshore Petroleum Pty Ltd***

This agreement was made on the 16/8/79. The agreement with Woodside is for the Water Corporation to supply 4225 kL/d to the Karratha and Burrup Peninsula areas for domestic and industrial purposes (refer to clause 18 (1)). However in 1985 Woodside submitted a variation to the agreement which stated that their revised water requirement was 3172 kL/d. The Water Corporation have indicated that this is the figure that they are working on, although Financial Planning suggest that since it appears that Woodside has paid for an allocation of 4225 kL/d then that should be their entitlement.

### **East Pilbara**

#### ***BHP - Mount Newman Mining Company***

The most recent agreement with BHP - Mount Newman is for the Water Corporation to supply 24 909 kL/d to a maximum of 5 680 000 kL in any financial year. This agreement was made in October 1977. The letter sent by the Minister for Industrial Development on 24 September 1977 referred to industrial and domestic water requirements and restrictions in paragraphs (d) & (g) respectively.

## **BHP - Goldsworthy**

The agreement with BHP - Goldsworthy is for the Water Corporation to supply 2100 kL/d to Finucane Island. This agreement was made on the 5/8/86.

### **Percentage of Entitlement Used**

The quantity of water consumed for industrial purposes, can, and is metered by the Water Corporation. However, the quantity of water used for domestic purposes by each of the companies is very difficult to measure, further complicated by the fact that some of the companies are selling their houses to their employees. The quantity of water used for domestic purposes has been estimated from the number of accommodation units. The quantity of water estimated to have been used by the companies is shown in Table A7. 1 and Table A7. 2. It would appear that current usage is just under 50% of their combined entitlement.

In Port Hedland BHP - Goldsworthy are relocating employees who were living in 50 houses on Finucane Island to the mainland. This could have implications on BHP - Goldsworthy's entitlement at Finucane Island. This issue is currently being considered by Financial Planning Branch.

What percentage of each companies entitlement is used, needs to be closely monitored, to ensure that as demand increases the Water Corporation does not find itself in any difficult legal battles.

**Table A7. 1: West Pilbara Scheme - Water Entitlements**

Company	Entitlement		93/94 Usage (kL pa)		
	(kL/d)	(kL pa)	Industrial	Domestic	Total
Hamersley Iron	13 640	4 978 600	2 327 040	700 000	3 027 040
Robe River Assoc	11 820	4 314 300	295 404	600 000	895 404
Woodside	4 225	1 542 125	760 331	400 000	1 160 331
	<b>29 685</b>	<b>10 835 025</b>	<b>3 382 775</b>	<b>1 700 000</b>	<b>5 082 775</b>

**Table A7. 2: East Pilbara Scheme - Water Entitlements**

Company	Entitlement		Current Usage	
	(kL/d)	(kL pa)	(kL/d)	(kL pa)
BHP - Mt Newman	24 909	5 680 000	10 737	1 850 000
BHP - Goldsworthy	2 100	766 500	4 714	1 150 000
	<b>27 009</b>	<b>6 446 500</b>	<b>15 451</b>	<b>3 000 000</b>

## **Appendix 8: Department of Resources Development Potential Growth Scenarios**

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Richard,

### **DRAFT WEST PILBARA WATER RESOURCES REVIEW**

Thank you for providing DRD with a copy of the above report. The report contains valuable information regarding water resources in the West Pilbara, their relative costs and development strategies.

1. I have some further comments regarding the report which includes feedback from John Prior. As outlined in my memo of the 30 January 1995 to P. Goodall, the water demand scenarios are very sensitive to Mineralogy's Fortescue Magnetite Project. Graph 2 in the draft report, showing historical and future water demand illustrates the large differences between the low and medium growth scenarios due to Mineralogy's project. The latest advice from Mineralogy is that it will supply its own water from desalination.

In light of the above information, DRD considers that the high and medium water demands should be reduced by an amount which approximates Mineralogy's project water demand i.e. 15 Mm<sup>3</sup> pa. The water demand scenario would therefore be;


Low	8 Mm <sup>3</sup> pa
Medium	15 Mm <sup>3</sup> pa
High	30 Mm <sup>3</sup> pa

As discussed with you this morning the lower water demand scenarios favour groundwater sources. Therefore further economic costing would be appropriate when more accurate information on water treatment/hydrological for the Harding Dam/Millstream water resource is available.

2. Comments on WAWA's ability to fulfil its current water supply commitments as covered in specific State Agreements and the consequential impact on extra demand would be useful information.
3. Include some preliminary estimates on lead times to develop the water resources described in the draft report i.e. design, approval, construction.
4. A schematic plan for the Pilbara water supply reticulation scheme showing capacities in each section , and upgrades required to achieve design yields, would be useful.
5. Could the report include a table showing upfront capital cost and operating costs (assuming maximum utilisation of the water resource) for each water resource.
6. The water demand split between the proposed Maitland Estate, the Burrup Peninsula and Cape Lambert appears biased to the Maitland Estate. Could the report either re-assess the water demand split (40%, 40%, 20% respectively) or include a statement qualifying the relative costs of supply to each area.
7. Does WAWA have any restrictions on the distribution of the report.

I hope the above comments on the draft report are useful and broaden its potential use.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Mr Goodall

**RE: WEST PILBARA WATER SUPPLY REVIEW**

In regard to the above, I have reviewed the water consumption figures in your letter of 13 January 1995 for various growth scenarios.

The revised industry growth scenarios proposed for the Pilbara area with corresponding water consumption figures are shown in Table 1 below. The estimated water consumption figures are  $\pm 20\%$  depending on which projects proceed. The medium growth scenario is sensitive to the Fortescue magnetite mining and primary processing project and will need to be reviewed as more information is available.

TABLE 1: GROWTH SCENARIOS

GROWTH SCENARIO	WATER CONSUMPTION (Mm <sup>3</sup> pa by 2025)
Low	8
Medium	30
High	43

The growth scenarios are based on the number and type of industry processing projects outlined in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2. The water demand assumptions for each industry type and process is shown in Appendix 3.

If you have any queries please contact me on 327 5936.

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SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

30 January 1995 (PAPL0016:AN)

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## Appendix 1 : Growth Scenarios

### *Low Growth Scenario*

Industry	Comments	Water Consumption (Mm <sup>3</sup> p.a.)
Iron Ore Processing	Only a few industries go ahead.	4
Petroleum Processing	Only a few industries go ahead.	3
Power Intensive Industry	Only one of the industries goes ahead.	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

### *Medium Growth Scenario*

Industry	Comments	Water Consumption (Mm <sup>3</sup> p.a.)
Iron Ore Processing	Many of the industries go ahead.	20
Petroleum Processing	Most of the industries go ahead.	7
Power Intensive Industry	A few of the industries go ahead.	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>30</b>

### *High Growth Scenario*

Industry	Comments	Water Consumption (Mm <sup>3</sup> p.a.)
Iron Ore Processing	Vertical Integration and horizontal expansion of the industry.	28
Petroleum Processing	Most of the industries go ahead.	9
Power Intensive Industry	Most of the industries go ahead.	6
<b>Total</b>		<b>43</b>

Notes to accompany Appendix 1, Appendix 2 and Appendix 3:

1. Water consumption figures include domestic as well as industrial.
2. Assume seawater is used as a cooling water and for some primary ore processing.
3. Water consumption figures very sensitive to Fortescue magnetite primary processing project.
4. The key feedstocks of iron ore, natural gas and salt are available at (or in close proximity to) Karratha, Cape Lambert and Port Hedland. Karratha/Cape Lambert may be more attractive for Petrochemicals, being closer to the current source of natural gas.
5. Workforce numbers indicative only. Actual numbers will vary dependant upon process technology, product line, shift arrangements etc.
6. No commitments have been made to construct projects.

Appendix 2:

**IRON ORE PROCESSING  
- GROWTH ASSUMPTIONS FOR PILBARA WATER DEMAND FORECASTS**

IRON ORE PROCESSING  
PROJECTS  
GROWTH SCENARIOS (1995 TO 2025)

PROJECT TYPE	LOW GROWTH	MEDIUM GROWTH	HIGH GROWTH
PRIMARY PROCESSING		1	1
PELITISED IRON	1	2	4
SINTERED IRON		1	1
DRI/HBI	1	2	3
MINI STEEL			2
IRON CARB			1

ASSUMPTIONS:

LOW GROWTH            ONLY A FEW INDUSTRIES GO AHEAD  
MEDIUM GROWTH      MANY OF THE INDUSTRIES GO AHEAD (CURRENTLY AT  
                                 PRE OR FEASIBILITY STAGE)  
HIGH GROWTH          VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION AND EXPANSION OF THE  
                                 INDUSTRIES(STEEL STUDY REPORT JUNE 1992)

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## Appendix 3:

## POTENTIAL INDUSTRIAL AND COASTAL WATER DEMAND ASSUMPTIONS IN THE PILBARA

Process	Capacity (Mt/a)	Location	Industrial Water Usage (Mm <sup>3</sup> p.a.)	Estimated Workforce (people)	Consequential Population (people)	Domestic Water Usage (Mm <sup>3</sup> p.a.)	Possible Timeframe
<b>Iron Ore Processing</b>							
Primary Ore Processing	5	Good prospects at Karratha, Cape Lambert and Port Hedland	7.0	150	500	0.13	good prospects in short term (4 - 10 years)
Pelitised Iron	5		1.6	140	450	0.12	
Sintered Iron	5		2.6	140	450	0.12	
Direct Reduced Iron	2		2.6	150-220	500-700	0.13-0.18	
Mini Steel Mill	1		0.5	600	2000	0.52	
Iron Carbide	1		1.4				
<b>Petroleum Processing</b>							
Methanol	0.80	Karratha appears to offer better prospects for a major complex	3.5	170	500	0.13	good prospects in medium term (5 - 15 years)
Ammonia/Urea	0.25		0.5	200	600	0.16	
Ethane Extraction	0.20		0.25	10 - 20	30 - 60	0.008 - 0.016	
Chlor-Alkali Plant	0.22		4.0 to 8.0	350	1000	0.27	
Ethane Cracker	0.145		< 0.1	35	100	0.027	
EDC/VCM Plant	0.10		0.01	15	50	0.015	
Sodium Cyanide	0.015		< 0.1	10	30	0.008	
LNG Expansion	4	0.3	10	30	0.008	2002	
<b>Power Intensive Industry</b>							
Fe-Mn	0.01		1.3	200	600	0.16	prospects uncertain and may depend upon synergies with other developments
Si-Mn	0.024						
Fe-Si	0.023						
Si metal	0.015		150	500	0.13		
Titanium	0.05		4.0	300	900	0.24	
Al	0.10		6.0	600	2000	0.52	

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# PORT HEDLAND WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

## PROJECTED ADDITIONAL WATER DEMAND BY 2025

Growth Scenario	2025 Water Demand (GL pa)
Low	3
Medium	10
High	27

## PROJECTED WATER DEMANDS

Growth Rate	2025 Water Demand (GL pa)	Average Day Peak Week (ML/d)
-	Currently 6.6	Currently 28
Low	10	45
Medium	17	80
High	34	160

**B.1 POTENTIAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

Three broad categories of industry that could be developed in the East Pilbara (Port Hedland) area have been identified, namely:

- downstream iron ore processing;
- downstream petroleum (gas) processing; and
- power intensive industries.

Growth scenarios for these industries for the thirty year period 1995 to 2025 have been estimated based upon discussions with Peter Goodall of the Water and Rivers Commission.

**B.2 DOWNSTREAM IRON ORE PROCESSING**

Estimated low, medium and high growth scenarios for projects incorporating the iron ore processing industry are given in Table B-1.

**TABLE B-1  
DOWNSTREAM IRON ORE PROCESSING PROJECTS  
GROWTH SCENARIOS 1995 to 2025**

Project Type	Growth Scenario		
	Low	Medium	High
Primary Processing	0	0	1
Pelletised Iron	0	1	2
Sintered Iron	0	1	1
Direct Reduced Iron/HBI	1	1	1
Mini Steel Mill	0	0	1

Using total estimated potable water demands for downstream iron ore processing projects (Public Works Department, 1981) the range of water demands can be defined as presented in Table B-2.

**TABLE B-2**

**DOWNSTREAM IRON ORE PROCESSING PROJECTS  
ESTIMATED WATER DEMANDS (GL pa)**

Project Type	Low Growth		Medium Growth		High Growth	
	Industrial	Domestic	Industrial	Domestic	Industrial	Domestic
Primary Processing	-	-	-	-	7.0	0.13
Pelletised Iron	-	-	1.6	0.12	3.2	0.24
Sintered Iron	-	-	2.6	0.12	2.6	0.12
Direct Reduced Iron/HBI	2.6	0.16	2.6	0.16	2.6	0.16
Mini Steel Mill	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.52
	2.6	0.16	6.8	0.40	15.9	1.17
	2.8		7.2		17.1	

**B.3 DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM PROCESSING**

Raw materials for the downstream petroleum processing industry typically include natural gas and water. As natural gas would be supplied by pipeline from the Dampier/Karratha area, downstream petroleum processing industries are more likely to be established in this area than in the Port Hedland area. As such, it is concluded that growth of the downstream petroleum processing industry in the Port Hedland area is not likely.

The adopted potable water demands for the downstream petroleum processing industry for the thirty year period 1995 to 2025, are given in Table B-3.

**TABLE B-3**

**DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM PROCESSING PROJECTS  
ESTIMATED WATER DEMANDS**

Growth Scenario	2025 Water Demand (GL pa)
Low	0
Medium	1
High	4

**B.4 POWER INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES**

As with the downstream petroleum processing industry, natural gas (power) which is an essential raw material for the power intensive industries would be supplied by pipeline from the Dampier/Karratha area. Although depending upon the availability of other raw materials, the power intensive industries are also more likely to be established in the Dampier/Karratha area than in the Port Hedland area.

The adopted potable water demands for the power intensive industries,<sup>7</sup> for the thirty year period 1995 to 2025, are given in Table B-4.

**TABLE B-4****POWER INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES  
ESTIMATED WATER DEMANDS**

<b>Growth Scenario</b>	<b>2025 Water Demand (GL pa)</b>
Low	0
Medium	1
High	3



## **Appendix 9: Existing Town Water Supply Schematics**

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***Figure A9. 1: West Pilbara Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 2: Onslow Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 3: Tom Price Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 4: Paraburdoo Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 5: Pannawonica Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 6: Port Hedland Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 7: Marble Bar Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 8: Nullagine Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 9: Wittenoom Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 10: Newman Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 11: Goldsworthy Water Supply Scheme***

***Figure A9. 12: Telfer Water Supply Scheme***

**Figure A9. 1: West Pilbara Water Supply Scheme**

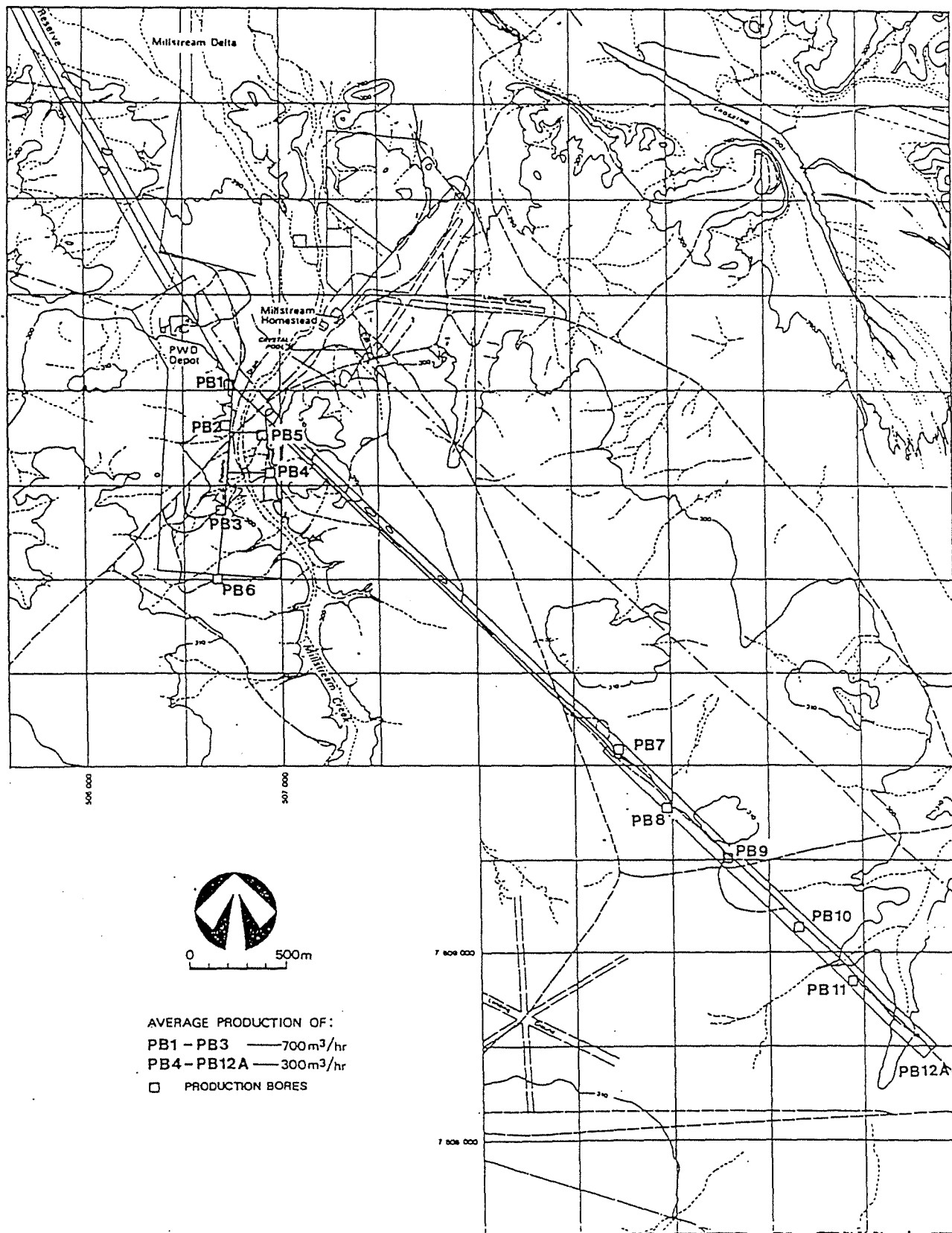
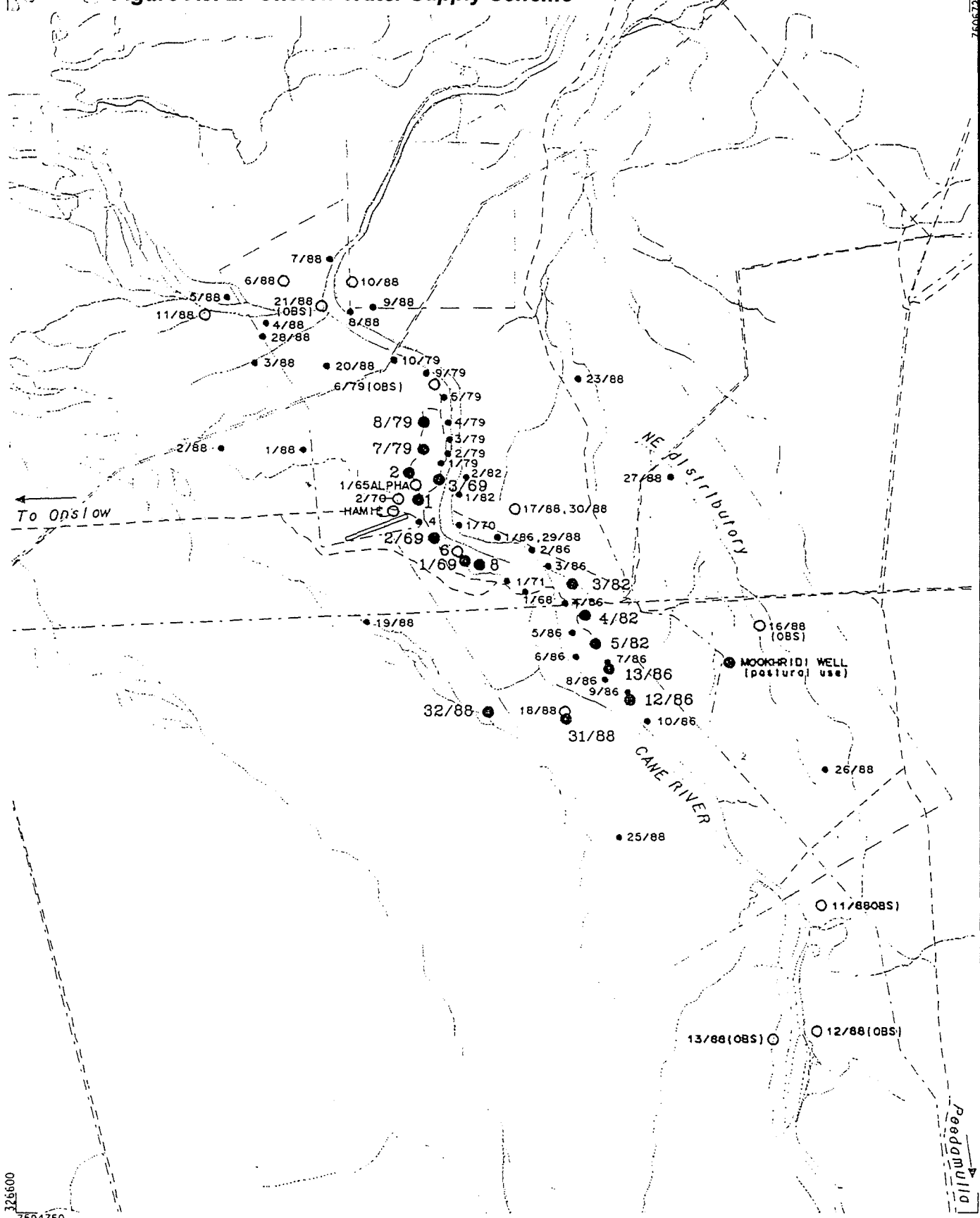
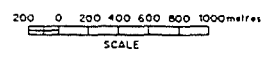


Figure A9. 2: Onslow Water Supply Scheme

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- Production Wells
  - Observation Wells
  - Exploratory Holes
  - - Fence
  - - Track



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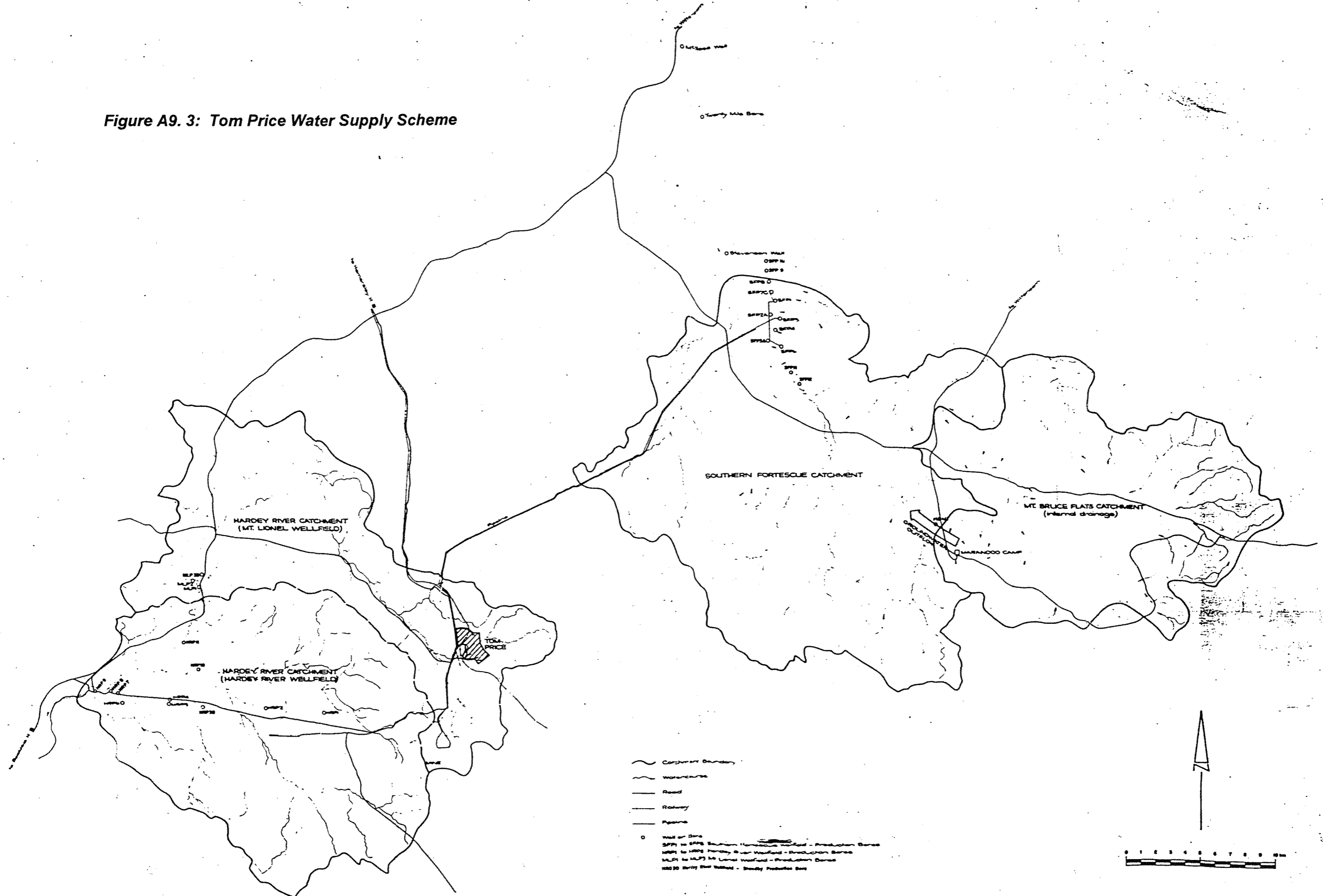
**FIGURE 1. CANE RIVER WELLFIELD ONSLOW TOWN WATER SUPPLY**

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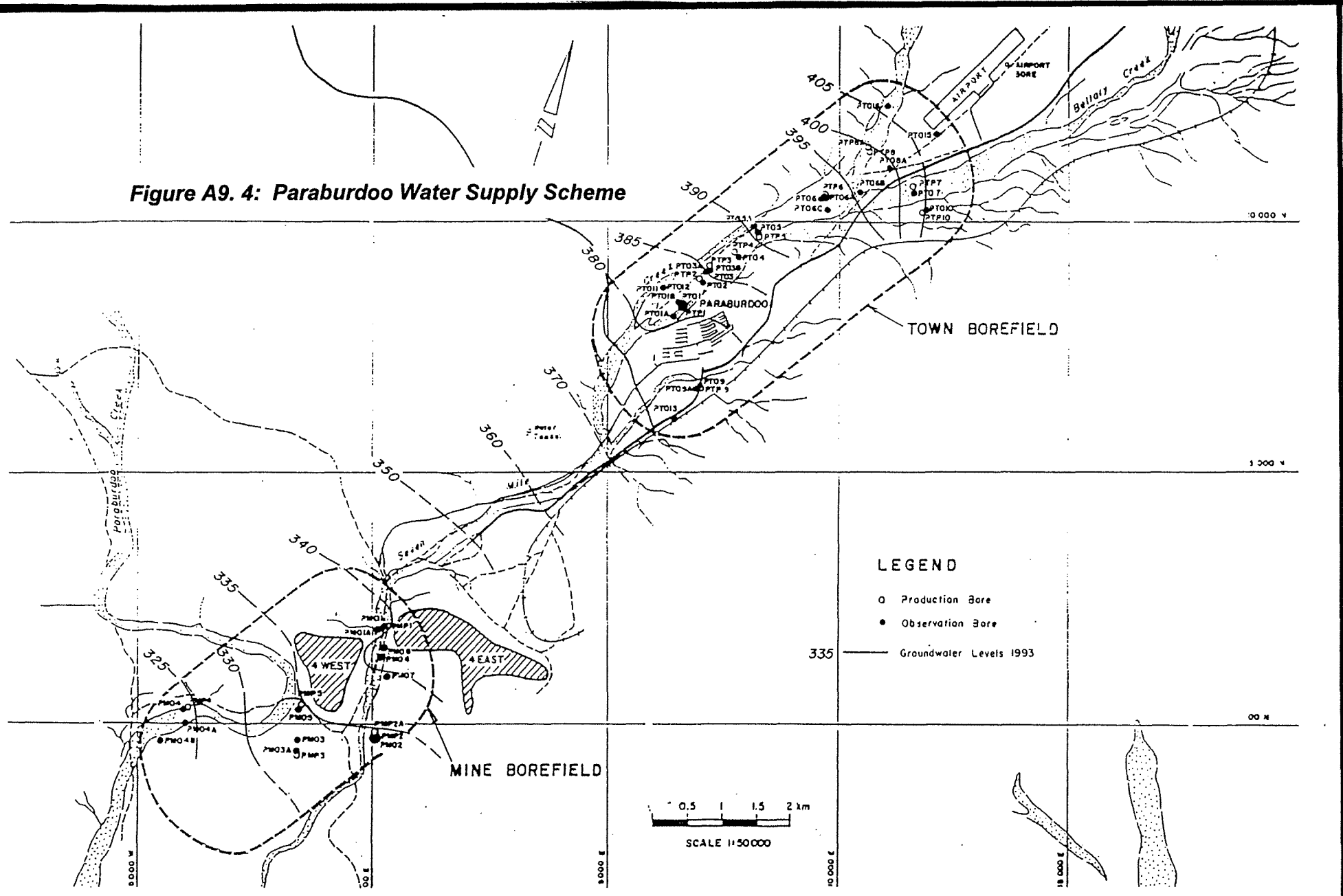


Figure A9. 3: Tom Price Water Supply Scheme



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Figure A9. 4: Paraburadoo Water Supply Scheme



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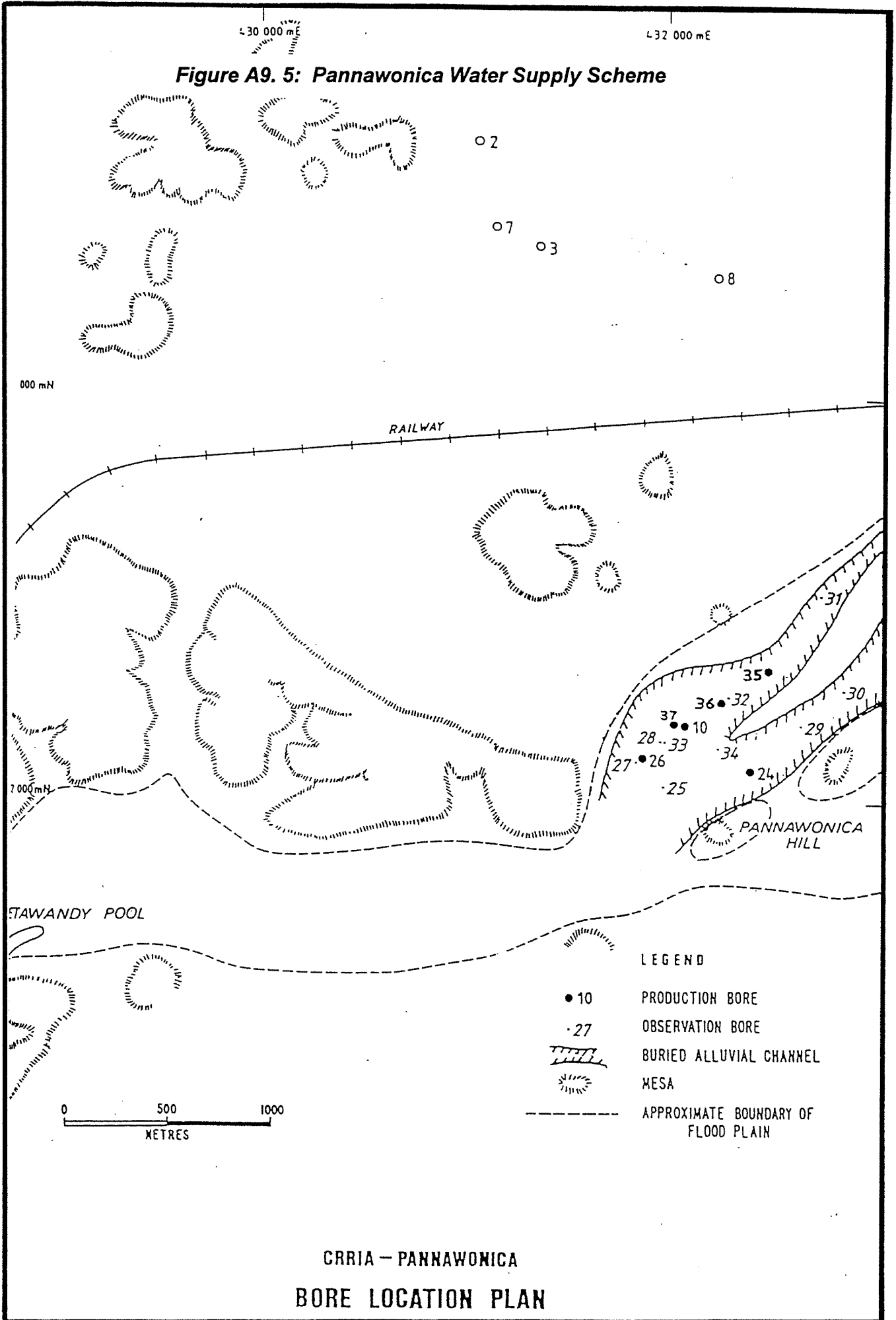
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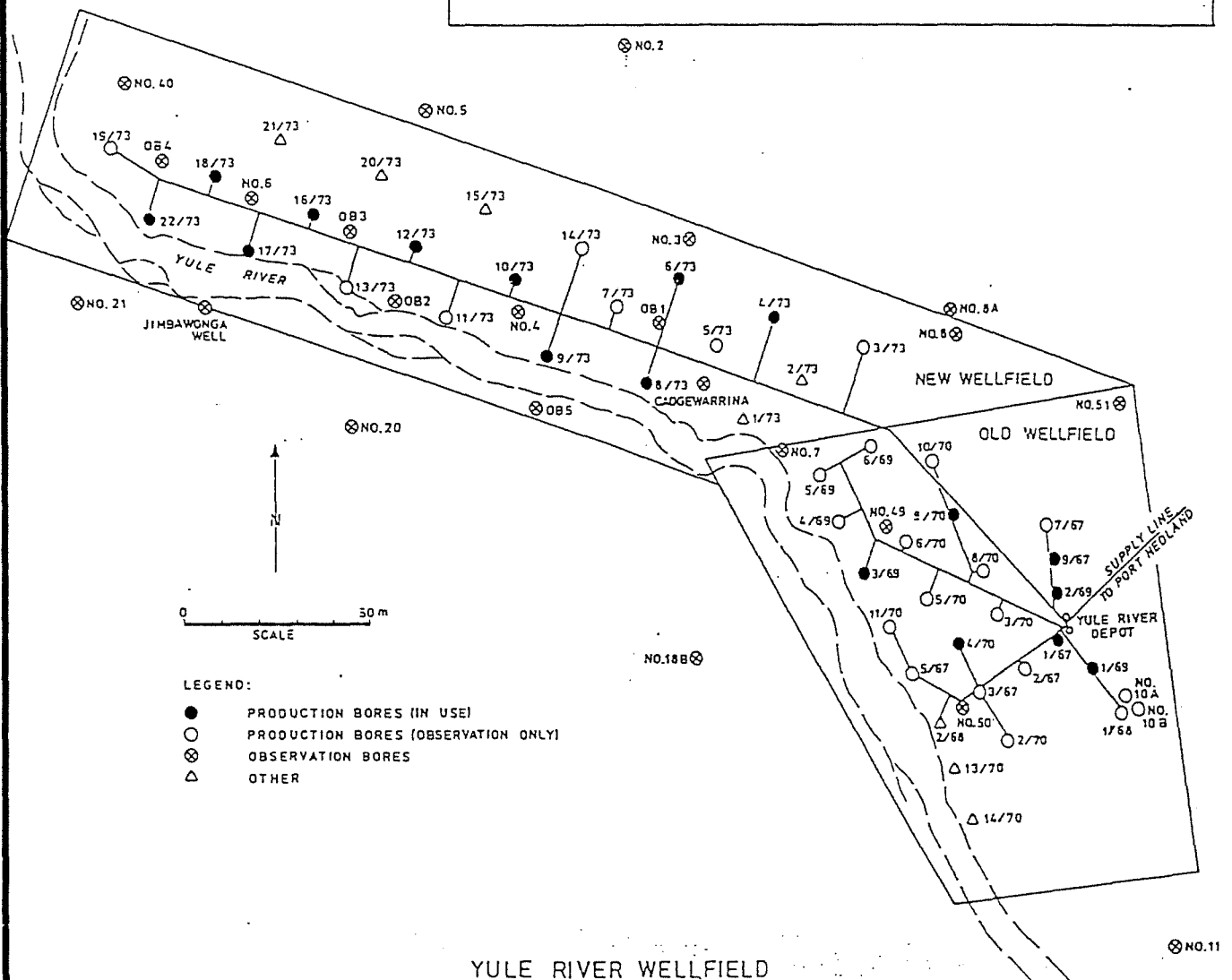
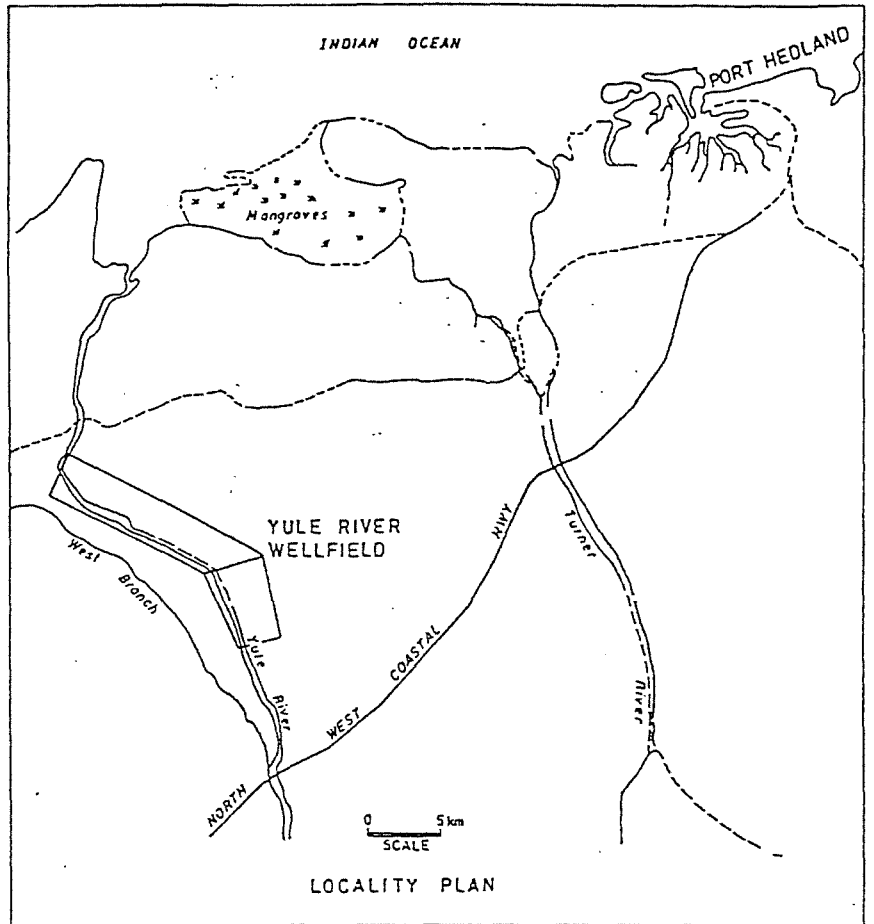
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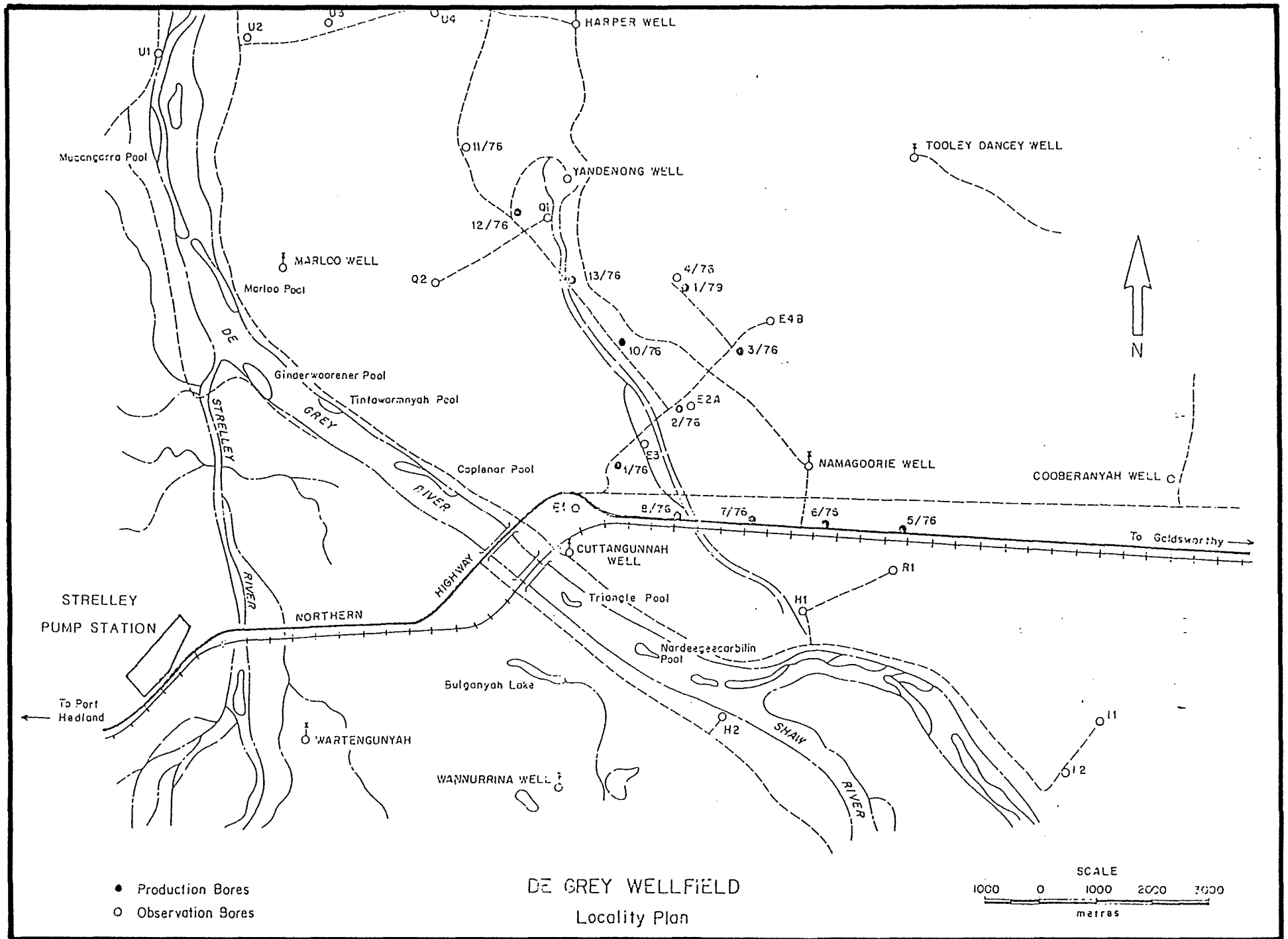
Figure A9. 5: Pannawonica Water Supply Scheme



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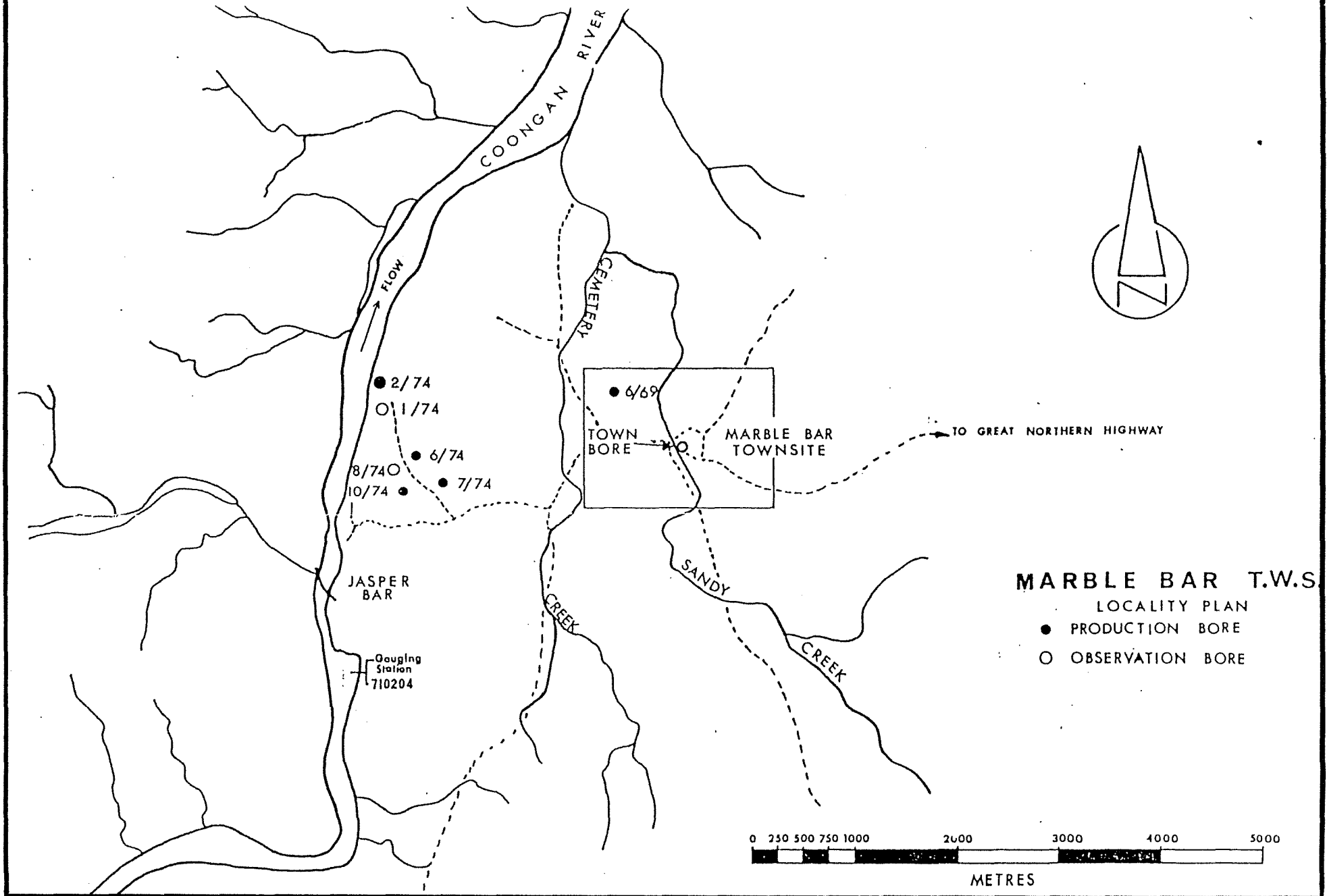
**Figure A9. 6: Port Hedland Water Supply Scheme**







**Figure A9. 7: Marble Bar Water Supply Scheme**



**MARBLE BAR T.W.S.**  
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Figure A9. 8: Nullagine Water Supply Scheme

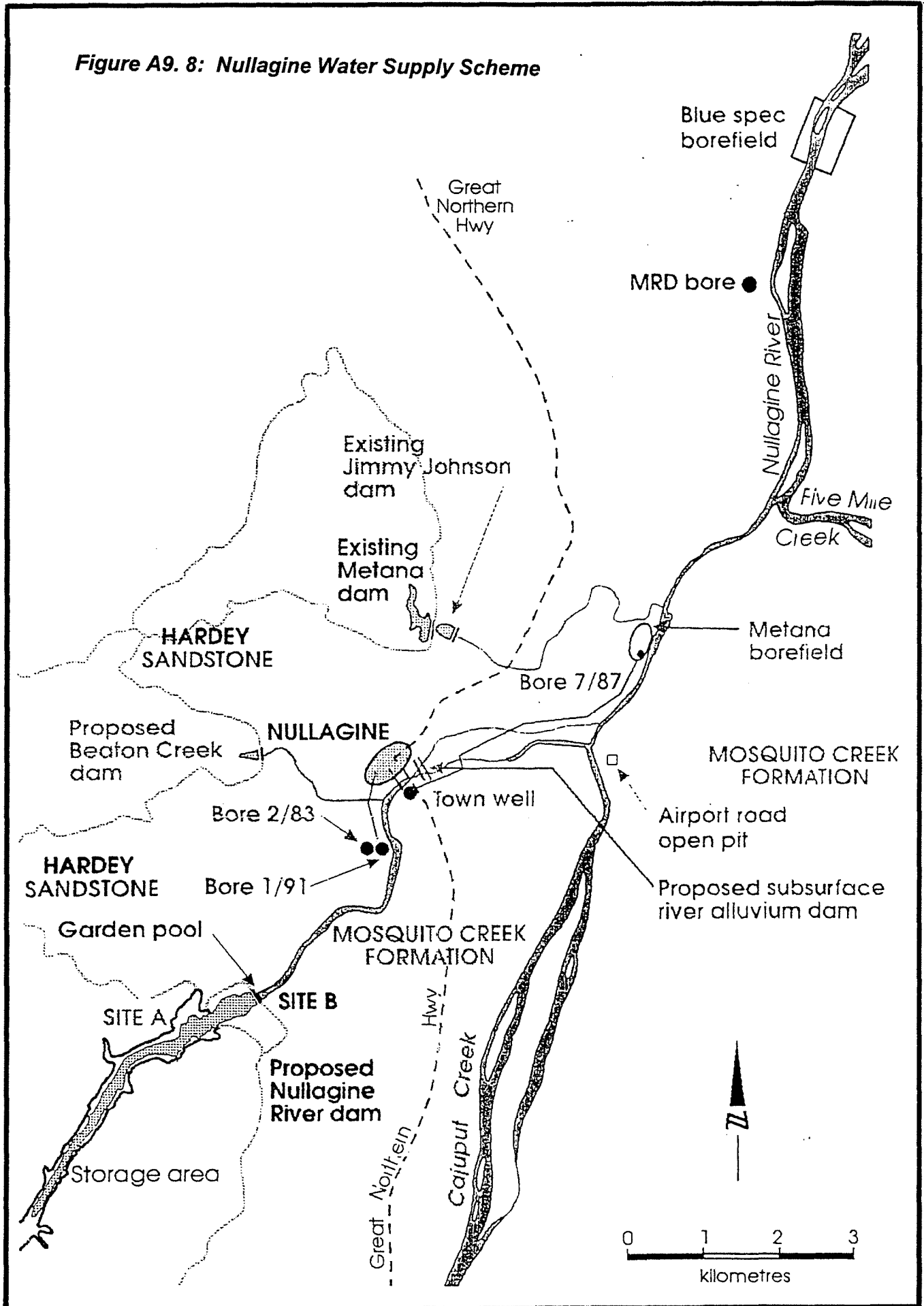
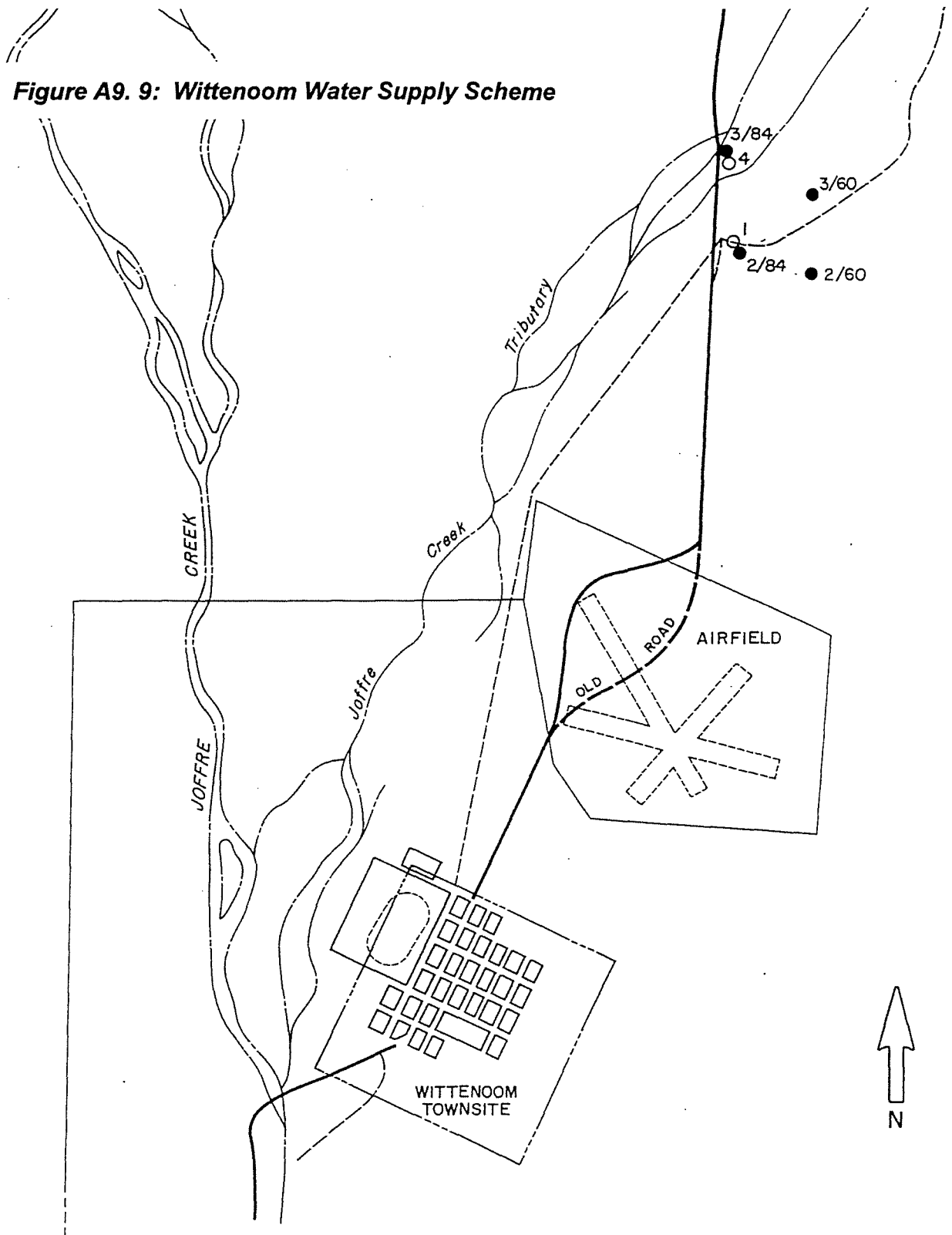


Figure A9. 9: Wittenoom Water Supply Scheme



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LOCALITY PLAN

- PRODUCTION BORES
- ABANDONED BORES



Figure A9. 10: Newman Water Supply Scheme

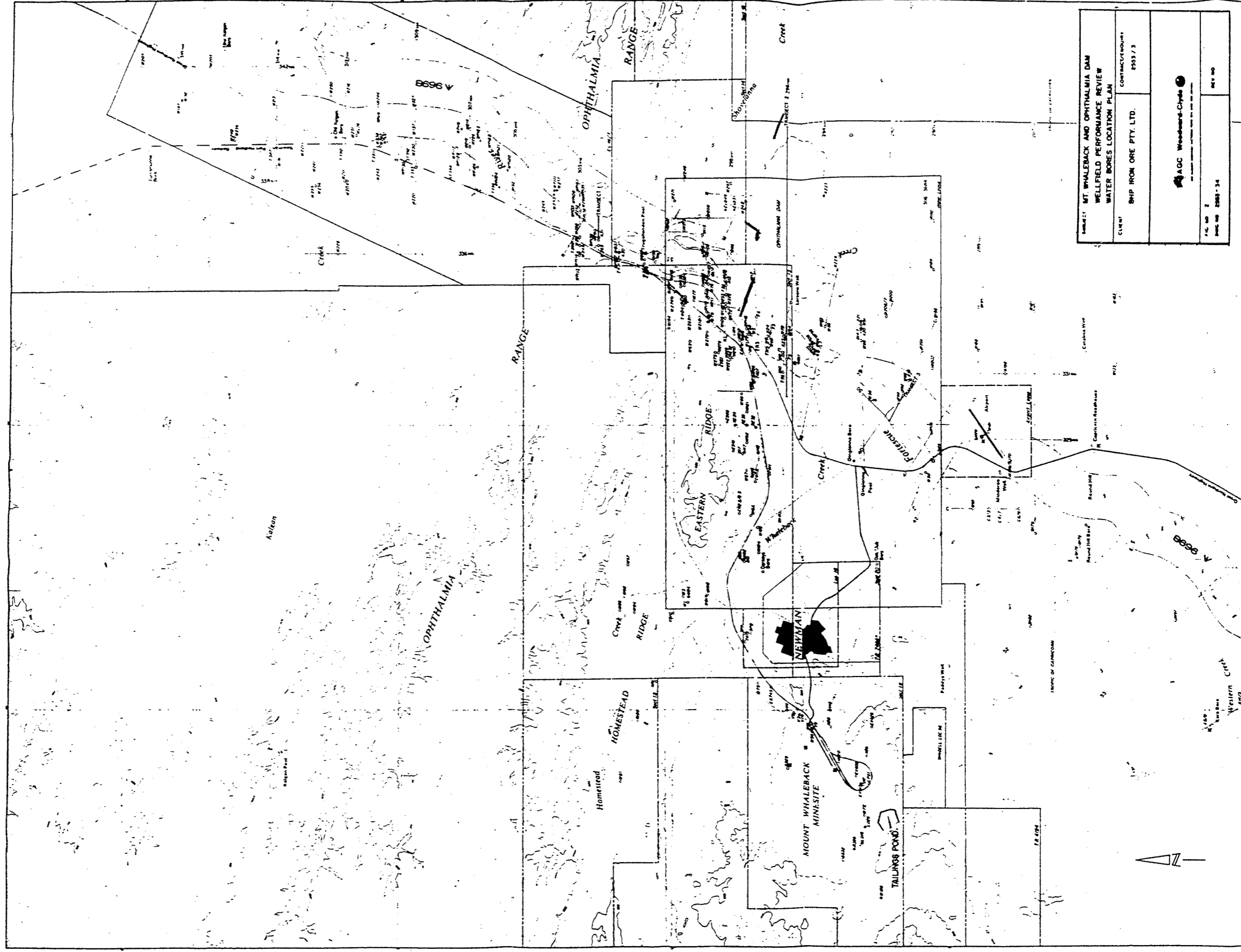
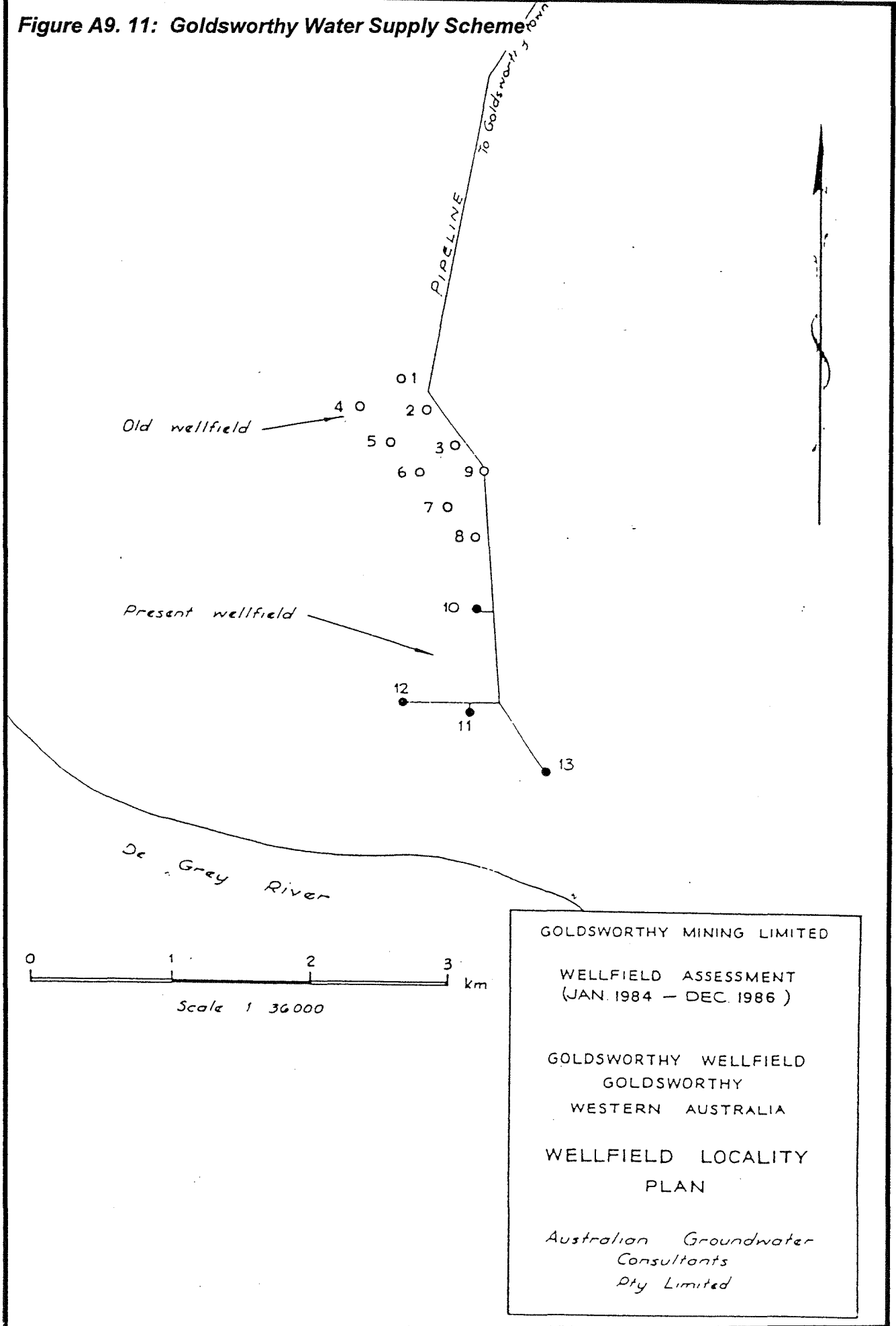


Figure A9. 11: Goldsworthy Water Supply Scheme



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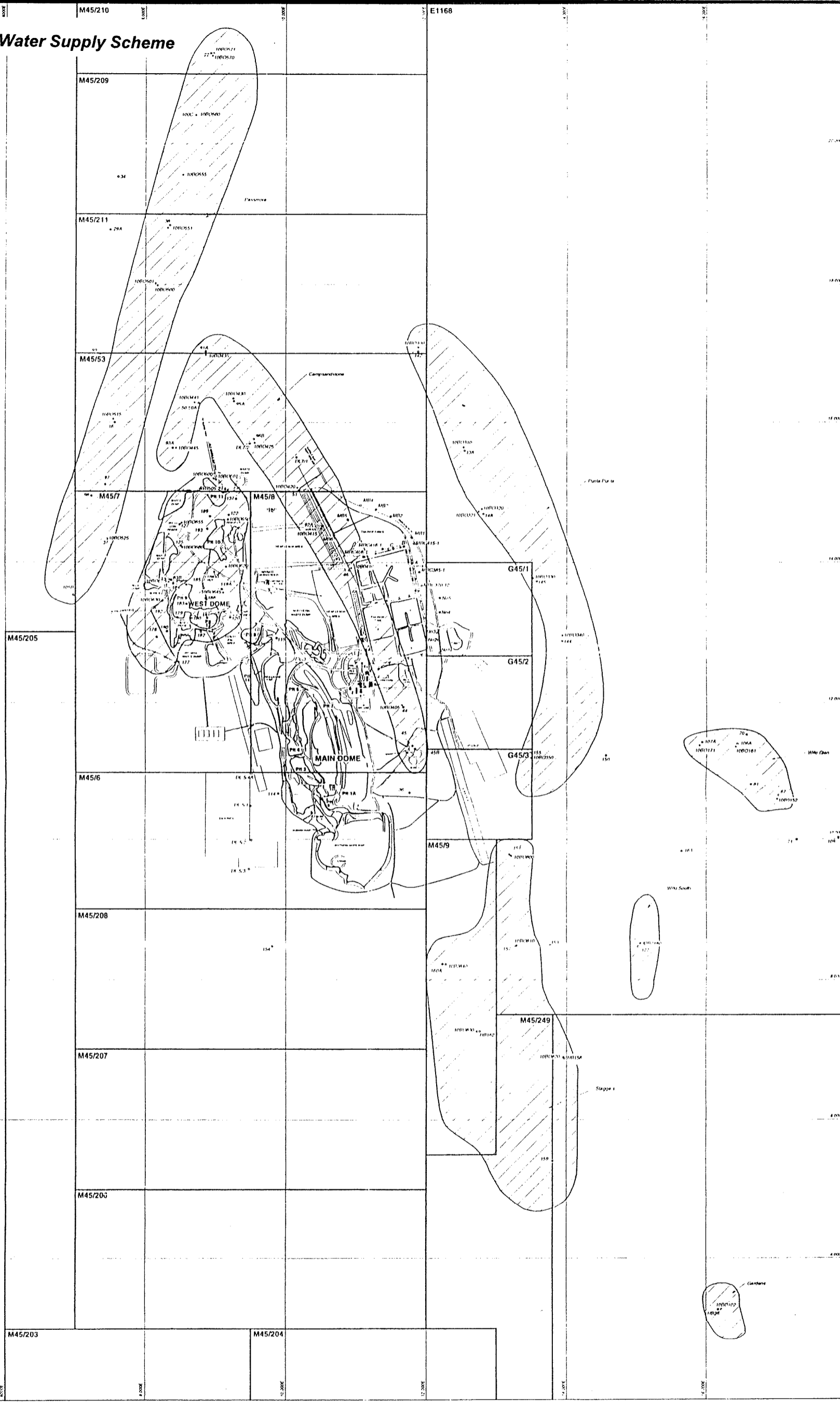
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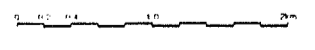
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Figure A9. 12: Telfer Water Supply Scheme



- Production Bores
- Observation Bores
- Borefield



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Telfer Gold Mine			
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## **Appendix 10: Summary of the Region's Allocations and Demands**

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**Table A10. 1: Licensed Groundwater and Surface Water Allocations for the Pilbara Region**

**Table A10.1: Licensed Groundwater and Surface Water Allocations for the Pilbara Region**

All volumes in thousands of cubic metres per annum (1000 m<sup>3</sup> = 1 million litres = 1 ML)

LICENSED WATER USAGE										
Available	Water Supply	Parks & Gardens	Domestic	Agriculture	Industry	Mining	Mining Activities	Other	Total Allocation	Unallocated
1 161 500	40 697	92	37.5	231	6 569	23 980	41 868	883.5	114 358	1 047 142