

The information you've provided so far indicates that an event has occurred which has resulted in an environmental impact. You will need to assign at least one environmental category to your event.

The following are examples of when you could use each category – note that this is a guide only, and the list of examples is not exhaustive.

Environment Category	Event examples
Access	Unapproved access to ARTC land or the rail corridor; unauthorised entry into third party property.
Administrative	<i>Not applicable – this category is used for the Obligations module.</i>
Air	Releases of dust, smoke or odour.
Biosecurity	Detection or translocation of pest plant or animal species e.g. fire ant nest located, weed infestation.
Community	Events impacting the surrounding community e.g. damage to utilities owned by a third party.
Facilities	Events resulting in impact to third party structures.
Fauna	Death or injury to animals; relocations of animals; unexpected finds.
Flora	Unauthorised vegetation clearing, vegetation fires, unexpected finds, damage to native vegetation
Groundwater	Contamination of groundwater or unauthorised extraction of groundwater
Indigenous Heritage	Unauthorised impacts to identified items or areas of Indigenous cultural significance, or unexpected finds

Environment Category	Event examples
Land	Pollution or contamination of land e.g. spills, leaks, asbestos.
Noise	Out-of-hours noise impacts not notified to sensitive receivers (note – this is also an Environmental Breach).
Non-Indigenous Heritage	Unauthorised impacts to identified structures, places or precincts of non-indigenous cultural significance, or unexpected finds.
Social Performance	<i>Not applicable – this category is used for the Obligations module.</i>
Surface Water	Releases of contaminants to water; scouring from dewatering activities; unauthorised releases of stormwater.
Sustainability	<i>Not applicable – this category is used for the Obligations module.</i>
Traffic & Transport	Traffic management plan prevents resident access.
Vibration	Vibration impacts to property.
Visual	Light pollution impacting neighbouring residents.
Waste	Illegal dumping; poor housekeeping; incorrect classification or disposal of waste; issues relating to spoil stockpiles.

If you are unsure as to which category to use, contact your Business Unit Environment team for advice.