

At the Perth workshop I raised a question about the consequence classification matrix in the Consultation Draft (table 1) which classifies “extreme” consequence **as potential loss of life of more than 100**.

An example of an alternative approach is the environmental risk matrix used in the Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) which is available on this hyperlink:

https://www.der.wa.gov.au/images/documents/our-work/licences-and-works-approvals/GS_Risk_Assessments.pdf

In the DWER risk matrix **ANY** loss of human life is classed “severe” (the highest level of consequence).

Please note that I am submitting this comment as a personal initiative and not on behalf of my Department since in the available time it has not been possible to obtain official sanction to submit a formal Departmental response.