

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1994

Section 152

Application notice

Ernest Henry Mine – RL 1150m Extension Project

Resource activity: Mining activity relating to a mining lease

It is advised that Ernest Henry Mining Pty Ltd has lodged an application for a major amendment to an environmental authority in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. The environmental authority being amended is EPML00899713.

The application relates to the Ernest Henry Mine located approximately 40km North East of Cloncurry and the proposal is to amend the Environmental Authority to allow:

- Extension of underground production from RL 1200m to RL 1150m.
- Storage of an additional 6,000,000 m³ of tailings in the existing Tailings Storage Facility, increasing its authorised capacity from 130,000,000 m³ to 136,000,000 m³.

The resource activity is proposed to occur on the following tenure(s):

Mining Lease (ML) 90100, ML90041, ML90107, ML90072, ML90075, ML90085, ML2671 and ML90116 at Ernest Henry Mine. Lot Plan:101/CP857739.

The application documents for the project consist of:

Ernest Henry Mining Pty Ltd response to Information Request Notice

Ernest Henry Operations – RL 1150 m Project - Application for an Amendment of Environmental Authority (EPML00899713) – Environmental Assessment Supporting Information;

Application to Amend an environmental authority – Application form;

Appendix A, RL 1200 m Subsidence Assessment Report (Beck Engineering 2023a);

Appendix B, RL 1150 m Subsidence Assessment Report (Beck Engineering 2023b);

Appendix C, RL 1550 m Project – Groundwater Impact Assessment Report (AGE, 2023);

Appendix D, Surface Water Assessment Report (ATC Williams 2023);

Appendix E, Environmentally Sensitive Areas map; and

Appendix F, Matters of National Environmental Significance and Matters of State Environmental Significance

Application documents may be inspected or accessed at the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, Cairns Office, 5b Sheridan Street, Cairns, at Current environmental authority application or amendment documents | Environment | Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, Queensland (des.qld.gov.au), and on the Evolution Mining Limited website at www.evolutionmining.com.au/ernest-henry/

Copies of, or extracts from, the application documents may also be obtained at Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, by contacting Permit and Licence Management by phone on 1300 130 372 or by email on palm@des.qld.gov.au

It is advised that any person may make a submission about the application documents during the submission period, which is from **29 February 2024 to 28 March 2024**. **Submissions must be received on or before 4.30pm on the last day of the submission period.**

Submissions must be sent to:

Department of Environment, Science and Innovation
PO Box 7230 Cairns QLD 4870
ESCairns@des.qld.gov.au
Telephone: (07) 4222 5352

The Department of Environment Science and Innovation as administering authority shall accept all properly made submissions and may accept written submissions even if they are not properly made. A properly made submission must meet all of the following requirements:

- be written or made electronically
- state the name and address of each submitter
- be made to the administering authority stated above
- be received on or before the last day of the submission period
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Enquiries about the application can be made directly to:

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