Notice

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Information request

This information request is issued by the administering authority under section 140 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994 *to request further information needed to assess an amendment application for a PRCP schedule.*

To: QNI Resources Pty Ltd, QNI Metals Pty Ltd
1 Greenvale Street,
YABULU QLD 4818

ATTN: John Bernal

Our reference: EPML01624913; 101/0001664

Further information is required to assess an amendment application for a PRCP schedule

1 Application details

The **amendment application** for **a PRCP schedule** was received by the administering authority on **16 October 2025**.

The application reference number is: **A-PRCP-AMD-100970710**

Land description: Mining Lease (ML) 5866, ML5864

2 Information request

The administering authority has considered the abovementioned application and is writing to inform you that further information is required to assess the application (an information request).

The information requested is specified in Attachment 1 to this notice

3 Actions

The abovementioned application will lapse unless you respond by giving the administering authority -

(a) all of the information requested; or

(b) part of the information requested together with a written notice asking the authority to proceed with the assessment of the application; or

(c) a written notice –

i. stating that you do not intend to supply any of the information requested; and

ii. asking the administering authority to proceed with the assessment of the application.

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Should the information request require an EIS process or applicant to submit a progressive rehabilitation and closure (PRC) plan then it must be completed and submitted.

A response to the information requested must be provided by 20 July 2026 (the information response period). If you wish to extend the information response period, a request to extend the period must be made at least 10 business days before the last day of the information response period.

The response to this information request or a request to extend the information response period can be submitted to the administering authority by email to ESCairns@detsi.qld.gov.au.

If the information provided in response to this information request is still not adequate for the administering authority to make a decision, your application may be refused as a result of section 176 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994,* where the administering authority must have regard to any response given for an information request.

4 Human rights

A human rights assessment was carried out in relation to this decision, and it was determined that the decision is compatible with human rights.

Should you have any questions about the notice, please contact the department using the details provided below.

Sarah de Vries	17 December 2025
Signature	Date

Sarah De Vries

Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation
Delegate of the administering authority
Environmental Protection Act 1994

Enquiries:

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Attachments

Attachment 1: Additional information requested for proposed PRC Plan – QNI Resources Pty Ltd and QNI Metals Pty Ltd – Brolga Project

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Item	Relevant section of Guideline or schedule reference	Matter	Information Request
1	Section 4.1 of the Progressive rehabilitation and closure plans Guideline Final site design and reference maps	The 'Canoona' ML 5864 final site design map does not include the maximum disturbance footprint.	Provide a new map which includes the maximum disturbance footprint.
2	Post Mining Land Use (PMLU)	The PRC Plan and Schedule reference the PMLU type as both 'Low intensity grazing' and 'Grazing' interchangeably.	Specify whether the proposed PMLU is 'Low intensity grazing' or 'Grazing' and update the PRC Plan and schedule accordingly. Where there is a difference to the previous schedule provide justification for the difference.
3	PRCP Schedule – Rehabilitation Milestone 4	RM4 – Revegetation. Some criteria fail to meet SMART principles. The criterion regarding the revegetation of forest areas and sparse woodland areas do not include a species list for seeding.	Update the criterion in RM4 and the PRC Plan to include a species list which aligns with the target ecosystem for the 'forest areas' and 'woodland area'.
4	PRCP Schedule - Rehabilitation Area 32	A rehabilitation area table has not been included for 'Canoona' ML 5864. The spatial data and PRC Plan indicate RA 32 as Canoona however a table has not been provided for this RA.	Include a rehabilitation area table for RA 32 – Canoona in the PRCP schedule.
5	Draft PRCP Schedule	The attached schedule includes tracked changes which indicate QNI Resources Pty Ltd and QNI Metals Pty Ltd proposed changes to the milestone criterion. No explanation or justification has been provided for the changes made to the schedules criteria.	Provide reasoning and justification for the proposed changes to the PRCP Schedule criterion made by QNI Resources Pty Ltd and QNI Metals Pty Ltd either as comments directly in the schedule or as supporting information.