

Permit

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Environmental authority

This environmental authority is issued by the administering authority under Chapter 5 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994.

Environmental authority number: BRMN0001

Environmental authority takes effect on date of grant of tenure.

The first annual fee is payable within 20 business days of the effective date.

The anniversary date of this environmental authority (EA) is the same day each year as the effective date. An annual return and the payment of the annual fee will be due each year on this day.

Environmental authority holder(s)

Name(s)	Registered address
Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	GPO Box 391 Brisbane QLD 4001

Environmentally relevant activity and location details

Environmentally relevant activity/activities	Location(s)
Mining – EPM	EPM 26385

Additional information for applicants

Environmentally relevant activities

The description of any environmentally relevant activity (ERA) for which an EA is issued is a restatement of the ERA as defined by legislation at the time the EA is issued. Where there is any inconsistency between that description of an ERA and the conditions stated by an EA as to the scale, intensity or manner of carrying out the ERA, the conditions prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

An EA authorises the carrying out of an ERA and does not authorise any environmental harm unless a condition stated by the EA specifically authorises environmental harm.

Contaminated land

It is a requirement of the EP Act that an owner or occupier of contaminated land give written notice to the administering authority if they become aware of the following:

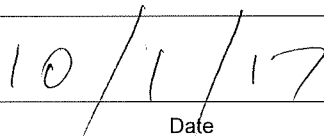
- the happening of an event involving a hazardous contaminant on the contaminated land (notice must be given within 24 hours); or
- a change in the condition of the contaminated land (notice must be given within 24 hours); or

- a notifiable activity (as defined in Schedule 3) having been carried out, or is being carried out, on the contaminated land (notice must be given within 20 business days)

that is causing, or is reasonably likely to cause, serious or material environmental harm.

For further information, including the form for giving written notice, refer to the Queensland Government website www.qld.gov.au, using the search term 'duty to notify'.


Signature


Date

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Environmental Protection Act 1994

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Obligations under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*

In addition to the requirements found in the conditions of this environmental authority, the holder must also meet their obligations under the EP Act, and the regulations made under the EP Act. For example, the holder must comply with the following provisions of the Act:

- general environmental duty (section 319)
- duty to notify environmental harm (section 320-320G)
- offence of causing serious or material environmental harm (sections 437-439)
- offence of causing environmental nuisance (section 440)
- offence of depositing prescribed water contaminants in waters and related matters (section 440ZG)
- offence to place contaminant where environmental harm or nuisance may be caused (section 443)

Other permits required

This permit only provides an approval under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. In order to lawfully operate you may also require permits / approvals from your local government authority and other State Government agencies prior to commencing any activity at the site. For example, this may include permits / approvals with your local Council (for planning approval), the Department of Transport and Main Roads (to access state controlled roads), the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (to clear vegetation), and the Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries (to clear marine plants or to obtain a quarry material allocation).

Conditions of environmental authority

The environmentally relevant activity conducted at the location as described above must be conducted in accordance with the standard conditions of approval contained within the document entitled:

- *Eligibility criteria and standard conditions for exploration and mineral development projects- Version 2* (ESR/2016/1985).

END OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY

