

Permit

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Environmental authority EPSX02422814

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

Environmental authority number: EPSX02422814

Environmental authority takes effect on 14 January 2021

Environmental authority holder(s)

Name(s)	Registered address
ENTEE MINING PTY LTD	63 Main St ALSTONVILLE NSW 2477 Australia

Environmentally relevant activity and location details

Environmentally relevant activity/activities	Location(s)
Non-Scheduled Mining Activity Mining Lease - ML	ML100159
Non-Scheduled Mining Activity Mining Lease - ML	ML100160
Non-Scheduled Mining Activity Mining Lease - ML	ML100161
Non-Scheduled Mining Activity Mining Lease - ML	ML100158

Additional information for applicants

Environmentally relevant activities

The description of any environmentally relevant activity (ERA) for which an environmental authority (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 an 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.

A person carrying out an ERA must also be a registered suitable operator under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 (EP Act).

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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'.

Take effect

Please note that, in accordance with section 200 of the EP Act, an EA has effect:

- a) if the authority is for a prescribed ERA and it states that it takes effect on the day nominated by the holder of the authority in a written notice given to the administering authority-on the nominated day; or
- b) if the authority states a day or an event for it to take effect-on the stated day or when the stated event happens; or
- c) otherwise-on the day the authority is issued.

However, if the EA is authorising an activity that requires an additional authorisation (a relevant tenure for a resource activity, a development permit under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 or an SDA Approval under the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971), this EA will not take effect until the additional authorisation has taken effect.

If this EA takes effect when the additional authorisation takes effect, you must provide the administering authority written notice within 5 business days of receiving notification of the related additional authorisation taking effect.

If you have incorrectly claimed that an additional authorisation is not required, carrying out the ERA without the additional authorisation is not legal and could result in your prosecution for providing false or misleading information or operating without a valid environmental authority.

Department of Environment and Science
Delegate of the administering authority
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)

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Legislative Requirements and Conditions of Environmental Authority

Conditions

The conditions of approval for this environmental authority are standard conditions contained within the attached document(s) entitled:

- Eligibility criteria and standard conditions for mining lease activities - Version 2 (ESR/2016/2241)

Land

- L1 Despite standard condition A 13 of the *Eligibility criteria and standard conditions for mining lease activities*, activities may be carried out within 1 kilometre, but not within, a Category B Environmentally Sensitive Area.
- L2 The environmental authority holder must not conduct mining activities within any area mapped as a Category B Environmentally Sensitive Area – Endangered Regional Ecosystem (ERE), unless a suitably qualified person has conducted and recorded a vegetation assessment and survey which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department of Environment and Science that the ERE is not present in the relevant area.
- L3 The activities conducted by the environmental authority holder must not cause any impact, whether directly or indirectly, to a Category B Environmentally Sensitive Area.
- L4 Significant residual impacts to prescribed environmental matters, other than if the impacts were authorised by an existing authority before the commencement of the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*, are not authorised under this environmental authority or the *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*.

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Definitions

Key terms and/or phrases used in this document are defined in this section. Where a term is not defined, the definition in the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*, its regulations or environmental protection policies must be used. If a word remains undefined it has its ordinary meaning.

'Endangered Regional Ecosystem' means a Regional ecosystem with a biodiversity status categorised as Endangered pursuant to the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*.

'Vegetation assessment and survey' means evaluating the relevant area, in accordance with suitable methodologies to establish the presence, absence and extent of regional ecosystems described in the Herbarium database. The survey must include a written description of the vegetation structure and composition along with georeferenced photographic evidence.

'Appropriately qualified person' means a person who has professional qualifications, training skills or experience relevant to the nominated subject matter and can give authoritative assessment, advice and analysis on performance relating to the subject matter using the relevant protocols, standards, methods or literature.

'Significant residual impact' is defined in section 8 *Environmental Offsets Act 2014*.

Appendices

- *Eligibility criteria and standard conditions for mining lease activities- Version 2 (ESR/2016/2241)*

END OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY