

Permit

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Environmental authority EPVL00888013

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

Environmental authority number: EPVL00888013

Environmental authority takes effect on 20 July 2016

Environmental authority holder(s)

Name(s)	Registered address
Mark Bonney	18 Roos Road Battle Creek MOUNT GARNET QLD 4872

Environmentally relevant activity and location details

Environmentally relevant activity/activities	Location(s)
Non-Scheduled Mining Activity Mining Lease - ML	ML20309

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).

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

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- 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)

CONDITIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY EPVL00888013

Agency Interest: General

- G1 If a 'valid from' date is not stated on this document. The environmental authority (transfer) takes effect when each of the environmental authority holders has become a holder of a relevant mining tenement.
- G2 The conditions of this environmental authority are in force until a surrender of the authority is accepted pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act 1994. The conditions apply unless an amendment is approved pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.
- G3 The environmental authority holder is to give the administering authority financial assurance in the amount and form and at a time required by the administering authority.
- G4 The environmental authority holder must comply with each of the Standard Environmental Conditions contained in the Code of Environmental Compliance for Mining Lease projects (January 2001).
- G5 Conditions H1 to H4 are additional conditions under section 180 of the Act. If there is any inconsistency between a Standard Environmental Condition referred to in Condition G4 and an additional condition, then the additional condition prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

Agency interest: Heritage

- H1 The environmental authority holder must comply with the conditions and requirements of the Palmer Goldfield Reserve Management Guidelines published by the Joint Trustees of the Reserve,
- H2 Within a period of five (5) months from the date of grant of a mining lease to which this authority applies (or such longer period as permitted by condition of the mining lease). The environmental authority holder must arrange a Cultural Heritage Study as required by the Palmer Goldfield Reserve Management Guidelines to be carried out on the area of the lease and to lodge copies of the Study with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.
- H3 The environmental authority holder must not conduct any mining operations on the mining lease area until the study has been assessed.
- H4 The environmental authority holder must comply with any requirements resulting from the assessment of the Cultural Heritage Study.