

**Environmental Authority (Exploration) Non Code Compliant
Level 2 Mining Project
Permit¹ Number: MIN201131810**

Section 264 - Environmental Protection Act 1994

Takes effect from: 31 October 2011

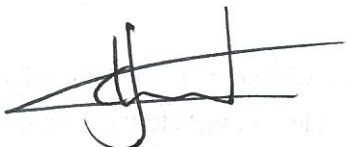
Details

Permit holder(s)	Name	Address
Principal Holder	New Cambria Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2602 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Activity(s)	Location(s)
Mining Lease	EPC 2039

The anniversary date of the environmental authority is *15 April*.

The environmental authority is subject to the attached conditions of approval.



Christopher Loveday
Delegate
Environmental Protection Act 1994
31 October 2011

¹ Permit includes licences, approvals, permits, authorisations, certificates, sanctions or equivalent/similar as required by legislation administered by the Department of Environment and Resource Management.

CONDITIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY

Department Interest: General

- A1** Provide a financial assurance in the amount and form required by the administering authority prior to the commencement of activities proposed under this environmental authority.
- A2** The financial assurance is to remain in force until the administering authority is satisfied that no claim on the assurance is likely.
- Note: Where progressive rehabilitation is completed and acceptable to the administering authority, progressive reductions to the amount of financial assurance will be applicable where rehabilitation has been completed in accordance with the acceptance criteria defined within this environmental authority.*
- A3** The conditions of this environmental authority are in force until a surrender of the authority is accepted pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld). The conditions apply unless an amendment is approved pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld).
- A4** The environmental authority holder must develop and implement during the continuation of this authority, a program to ensure that all employees and contractors on site are aware of and comply with the relevant requirements for this authority.
- A5** The environmental authority holder must comply with each of the standard environmental conditions contained in the *Code of Environmental Compliance for Exploration and Mineral Development Projects*, except condition 13, which is replaced by the conditions in this environmental authority.
- A6** If there is any inconsistency between a standard environmental condition referred to in condition A5 and an additional condition in this environmental authority, the additional condition prevails to the extent of any inconsistency.
- A7** Words and phrases used throughout this environmental authority are defined in the Definitions section of this environmental authority. Where a definition for a term used in this environmental authority is sought and the term is not defined within this environmental authority, the definitions in the *Code of Environmental Compliance for Exploration and Mineral Development Projects* and the definitions in the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld) and its regulations and policies must be used.

Department Interest: Land**Drill sites**

- B1** This environmental authority authorises the construction of 2 drill holes within the Endangered Regional Ecosystem (ERE) buffer zone on EPC2039 in accordance with Figure 1.
- B2** Drill holes must be located in previously cleared areas of the ERE buffer.

Land Disturbance

- B3** The operational area of the drill must not exceed 1000m².
- B4** Drill holes are limited to less than 250mm in diameter.
- B5** The construction of sumps must not exceed 10m².
- B6** Topsoil stripping must be limited to the sump area.
- B7** No clearing of mature trees is authorised except with approval of the administering authority.
- B8** Exploration within the ERE and ERE buffer must not involve costeaning or bulk sampling activities.
- B9** Exploration camps must not be established within the ERE and 500m ERE buffer.
- B10** Rehabilitation of drill sites and sumps will be in accordance with the *Code of Environmental Compliance for Exploration and Mineral Development Projects*.

Tracks

- B11** Existing access and fence line tracks must be used.
- B12** The environmental authority holder must consult with the administering authority and the landowner prior to establishing any new roads or tracks.

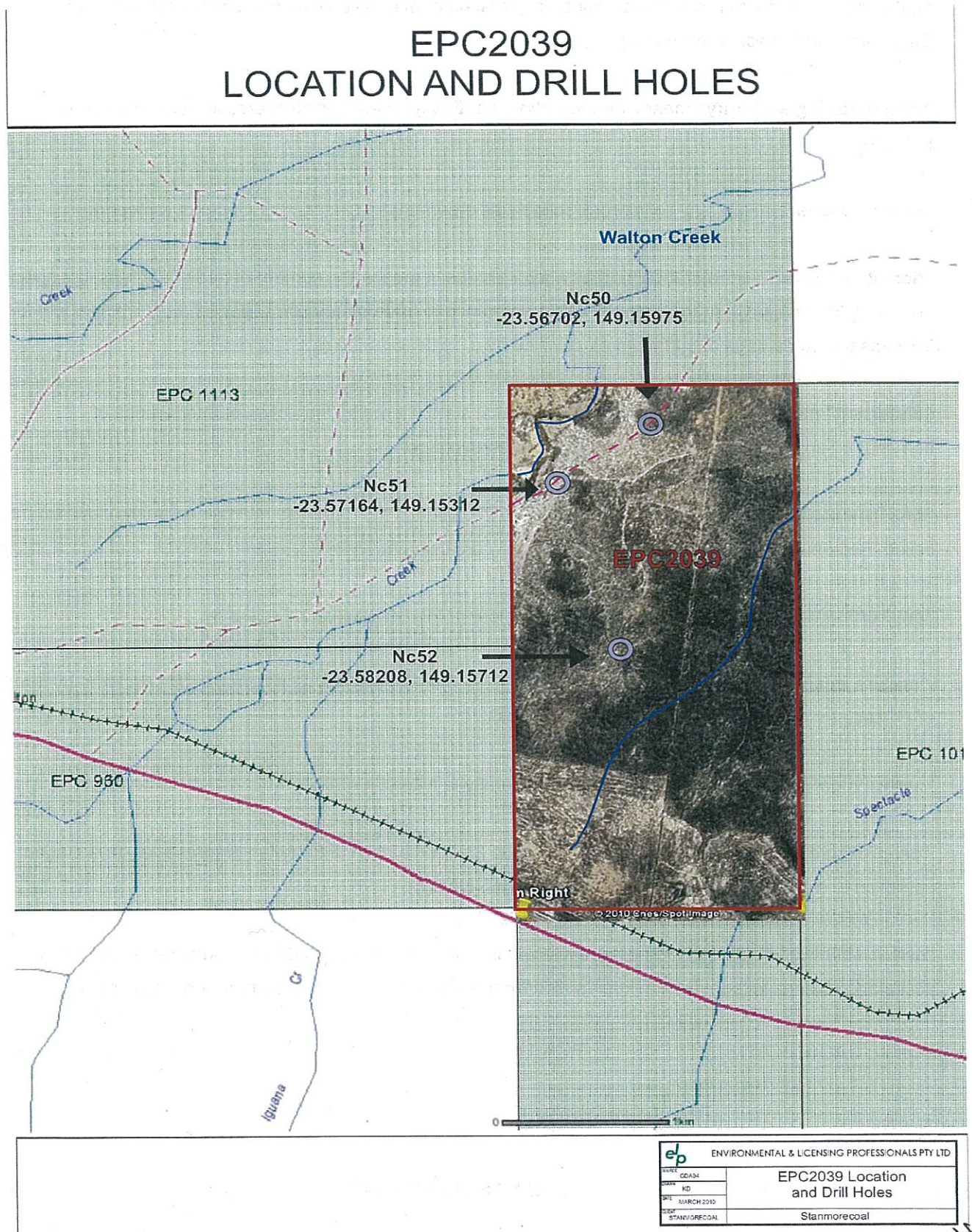
Rehabilitation and reporting

- B13** Rehabilitation of areas disturbed within the ERE or ERE buffer zone must be completed as soon as practicable but no longer than 3 months after completion of the disturbance activity.

- B14** The environmental authority holder must revegetate disturbed areas of the ERE and ERE buffer zone with native plant species endemic to the area that will promote the same vegetation type and density of cover to that of the surrounding undisturbed areas in the ERE and ERE buffer zone.
- B15** An annual report must be prepared each year and submitted with each annual return. The report must include details of the exploration activities undertaken and details of progressive rehabilitation works completed to demonstrate compliance with rehabilitation requirements of the environmental authority.
- B16** The environmental authority holder must complete rehabilitation of disturbed areas to the satisfaction of the administering authority.

END OF CONDITIONS

Figure 1 – Location of Drill Holes



Definitions

“authority” means environmental authority (exploration or mineral development activities) under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld).

“administering authority” means the Department of Environment and Resource Management or its successor.

“cover material” means any soil or rock suitable as a germination medium or landform armouring

“density of cover” - In reference to trees and/or shrubs, it means the number of trees or shrubs in a specified area (e.g. 50 trees per square kilometre). With reference to understorey plant species (e.g. grasses and forbs), it means the percentage of surface area covered by a particular species.

“disturbed” means any area that has had its natural state altered by the action or interference of carrying out an activity associated with the exploration project.

“ERE” means an endangered regional ecosystem identified in the database maintained by the department called ‘Regional Ecosystem Description Database’ containing regional ecosystem numbers and descriptions.

“environmental authority holder” means the holder of this environmental authority.

“mature trees” means any tree relevant to the tenure that is classified as a *commercial sized tree* by the *Code of Practice for Native Forest Timber Production 2002*

“native vegetation” - Vegetation that occurs naturally in a certain area.

“progressive rehabilitation” means rehabilitation (defined below) undertaken progressively or a staged approach to rehabilitation as mining operations are ongoing.

“self sustaining” means an area of land which has been rehabilitated and has maintained the required acceptance criteria without human intervention for a period nominated by the administering authority.

END OF DEFINITIONS