

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A MINING LICENCE

Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990 – Section 15(5)

Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Regulations 2019 – Regulation 22(1) and Schedule 1

1. Name and address of applicant(s):

Victoria Mining Exploration Pty Ltd
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2. Contact details of applicant (for map and other information requests):

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3. Applicant's Website (see notes) Further information about this application is available at the following website: www.amets.com.au/victoria-tenements/ and <https://resources.vic.gov.au/licensing-approvals/have-your-say>

4. Details of the application:

Application number: MIN008414

Locality of the land to which the application relates: Approx. 200m south of Wehla, 7km north west of Rheola and 8km east of Logan

Approximate area of the application (Hectares): 4.93

Date of the application: 23 February 2024

Term the licences are applied for: 15 years

Outline of the proposed programs of work: Access Track Construction, Fencing, Underground Shaft construction, Drilling.

5. Objections and Comments:

Any person may object or comment to a licence being granted. (Section 24 and 24A, Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990). A person who objects or comments must:

- a. Put the objections or comments in writing; and
- b. include the grounds on which it is made.

All objections or comments must be lodged within 21 days after the latest date on which the application was advertised and can be lodged online or posted to:

The Minister for Energy and Resources

c/- Manager Licensing, Earth Resources Regulation, PO Box 500, East Melbourne Victoria 8002

It is recommended that objections or comments are lodged online to ensure timely consideration:

<https://rram.force.com/ObjectionSubmission>

Enquiries can be made by writing to the Manager Licensing at the above address or by phoning the Earth Resources Information Centre on 136 186.

6. Other information:

- a. Subject to other statutory requirements being satisfied, a mining licence, if granted, entitles the holder of the licence to carry out mining on the relevant land, explore for minerals, construct any facilities specified in the licence, and do anything else that is incidental to that mining.
- b. Further information regarding the statutory requirements that must be complied with prior to work being undertaken, including landowner and occupier consent requirements, is available at: <https://resources.vic.gov.au/community-and-land-use>



APPLICATION AREA MIN008414

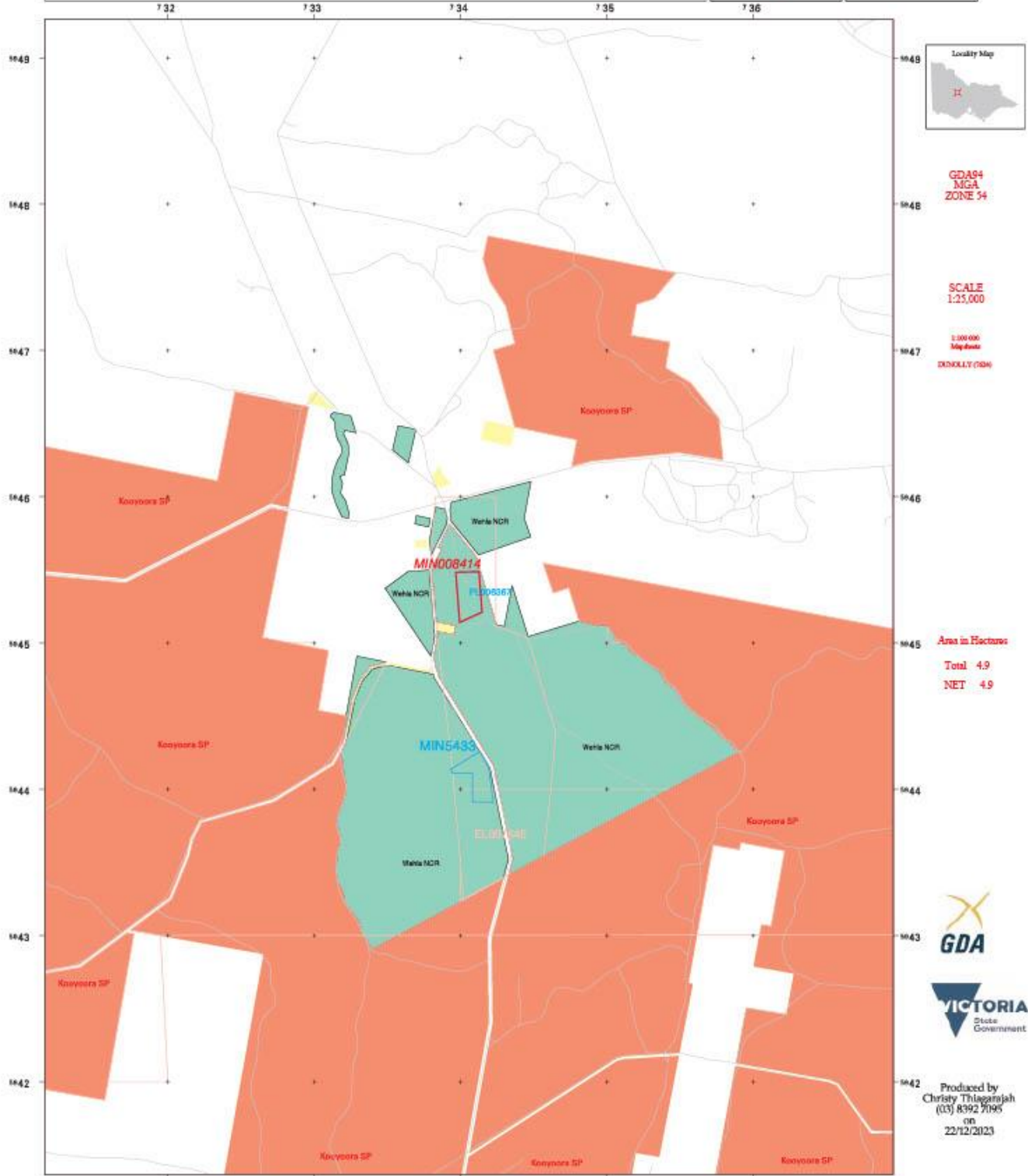
- Unavailable for Searching or Exploration or Mining MRSDA 1990 Sec 6. Includes National, State & Wilderness Parks and Reference Areas
- Exempted from being subject to Exploration &/or Mining Licences, MRSDA 1990 Sec 7. May be revoked by notice in the Govt Gazette.
- Restricted Crown Land. Schedule 3 of MRSDA 1990. Consent required to do work on the land.
- Other Crown Land
- Commonwealth Land. Subject to Commonwealth legislation.
- Exploration Initiative Area exempted for a limited time from being subject to Exploration and/or Mining Licences, MRSDA 1990 Sec. 7
- Land not included in the Licence due to a licence or licence application existing or having priority at the date of application.

Native Title Approximate Claim or Determination Area (grey)

1:25,000 Map Units



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GDA94
MGA
ZONE 54

SCALE
1:25,000

1:100,000
Map Units
DUNKLEY (SDM)

Area in Hectares
Total 4.9
NET 4.9



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NOTE: The accuracy of the location of the land status areas may vary according to the scale and mapping accuracy. Areas of private land within Crown Land may not be shown. The precise locations should be verified with Crown Land & Assets if access to the land is proposed.

Where the Licence Application abuts unavailable land, the Licence boundary is defined by the boundary of the Unavailable Land. Discrepancy on this plan between the boundaries may be due to scale and mapping inaccuracy.

Work Program

YEAR 1

- Sheeting of access track
- Install security fencing
- Commence Shaft Sinking
- Install ventilation and Infrastructure

YEAR 2

- Underground development cross cut to reef
- Lateral On ore development and mining
- Metallurgical Testing and Gold Recovery

YEAR 3

- Underground development/mining
- Metallurgical Testing and Gold Recovery

YEAR 4

- Underground development/mining
- Metallurgical Testing and Gold Recovery

YEAR 5

- Completion of underground mining
- Backfilling of shaft with waste rock
- Remove concrete sleeve from shaft collar
- Backfill compacted rock emplacement at surface
- Rehabilitation

Community Engagement and Environment Strategy

The Frenchman's Reef Project (MIN008414) is located on public land nestled in a rural farming area.

Victoria Mining Exploration Pty Ltd ("Licensee", "VME") understands the importance of good community relationships and will ensure there is open communication between the licence holder and the local community.

Victoria Mining Exploration Pty Ltd has an established working relationship with near neighbours through its activities at the Black Reef mine located approximately 1.2km SSW of the Frenchman's site

The principals of Community Engagement elucidated in the *Code of Practice for Low-Risk Mines* and the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990* will be upheld for the activities conducted on this licence. Feedback from community is recorded by the licensee in a Community Engagement Register. Feedback may be in response to pro-active engagement on the initiative of the Licensee or as a result of responsive communication such as a complaint or enquiry.

Licensee contact details shall be printed on signage to be erected at the site. Contact information is also printed on licensee correspondence with affected community stakeholders. VME visits near neighbours from time to time (as is appropriate for such a small scale operation) and telephone

numbers have already been exchanged. Notices advising of proposed work and work timeframes shall be erected at prominent places on Jordan Road either side of the licence area.

All contact with stakeholders is recorded in the Community Engagement Register. This acts as a record of community engagement and records enquiries, complaints and feedback received both passively and as a consequence of proactive initiatives such as doorknocking and meetings. Registered enquiries and complaints are allocated for appraisal and initiation of an Action Plan for follow-up. The outcomes of the Action Plan are subsequently reported to the originator of the enquiry or complaint within the shortest timeframe practicable. Follow up action may be necessary to ensure that the issue has been adequately addressed.

Victoria Mining Exploration Pty Ltd are committed to minimising or where possible avoiding environmental impact and will work in accordance with the Guidelines as determined by the Victorian Government and will facilitate effective rehabilitation of all disturbed areas. No wetlands, waterways or lakes will be impacted by exploration activities.

Victoria Mining Exploration Pty Ltd will ensure all staff and contractors are aware of all site-specific environmental sensitivities, such as weeds and endangered flora and fauna and will act accordingly.

All rehabilitation will be carried out progressively and as soon as is practicable after mining activities have taken place.