



Department initiated Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Licence Number	L9155/2018/1
Licence Holder	Karora (Higginsville) Pty Ltd
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Date of Report	31 July 2025
Decision	Revised licence granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Licence L9155/2018/1. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the Existing licence will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the licence, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents>.

2.2 Amendment summary

Licence L9155/2018/1 is held by Karora (Higginsville) Pty Ltd (Licence Holder) for the Higginsville Gold Project (the Premises), located at Higginsville in the Goldfields-Esperance Region.

The Premises relates to categories 5, 6, 54 and 64 and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Licence L9155/2018/1.

In July 2020, the Government announced a package of regulatory reforms to streamline approval processes and to aid economic recovery post COVID-19. With these reforms, the CEO implemented an administrative renewal process to fast-track the renewals for licences determined to be lower risk.

This work has reduced timeframes of assessments however, the CEO proposed to streamline the process further. Where identified as being appropriate to action, the department is extending the duration of licences that are due to expire up to 30 June 2026 (amend to extend). This licence has been identified as a licence suitable to process as an administrative extension to the licence duration.

On 6 June 2025, the department initiated an amendment to Licence L9155/2018/1. The amendment is limited to extending licence expiry date by 5 years. No reassessment of risk has been undertaken at this time.

3. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 22 July 2025. On 29 July 2025 the Licence Holder waived the comment period with no comments made.

4. Conclusion

The delegated officer has determined that a revised licence will be granted. The licence duration has been extended by 5 years, now expiring in 2030.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised licence as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Duration	Extended for a period of 5 years to 17/09/2030