# **Amendment Report**

# **Department initiated Amendment**

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

Works Approval

Number

W6303/2019/1

Works Approval

Holder

FQM Australia Nickel Pty Ltd

**ACN** 135 761 465

File Number DER2018/001042

Premises Ravensthorpe Nickel Operation

Lot 1269 South Coast Highway

Ravensthorpe WA 6346

Legal description -

Mining tenements G74/8, L74/54, M74/108, M74/142, M74/144,

M74/167 and M74/168

Date of Report 19 August 2020

**Decision** Revised works approval granted

A/Manager, Resource Industries REGULATORY SERVICES

An officer delegated by the CEO under section 20 of the EP Act

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# 1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to works approval W6303/2019/1. 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 works approval 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 works approval, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <a href="https://www.der.wa.gov.au">https://www.der.wa.gov.au</a>.

#### 2.2 Amendment summary

Works approval W6303/2019/1 is held by FQM Australia Nickel Pty Ltd (the Works Approval Holder) for the Ravensthorpe Nickel Operation (the Premises), located at Lot 1269 South Coast Highway, Ravensthorpe WA 6346.

The Premises relates to the categories and the assessed design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing works approval W6303/2019/1.

On 18 June 2020, the department initiated an amendment to W6303/2019/1. The amendment is limited to including the following mining tenement into the legal description of the Premises:

#### • M74/144

Mining tenement M74/144 was mistakenly removed from the application during the assessment period. Further investigation by the Works Approval Holder shows that construction of approximately 500 metres of the conveyor system to link the Shoemaker-Levy site and the RNO Plant site was not included in the original application. The additional meters of conveyor will be wholly within M74/144, as shown in Figure 1 below.

The addition of M74/144 to W6303/2019/1 will not alter the type or quantity of emissions from the project, therefore no additional assessment of the Premises will be required as part of this amendment.

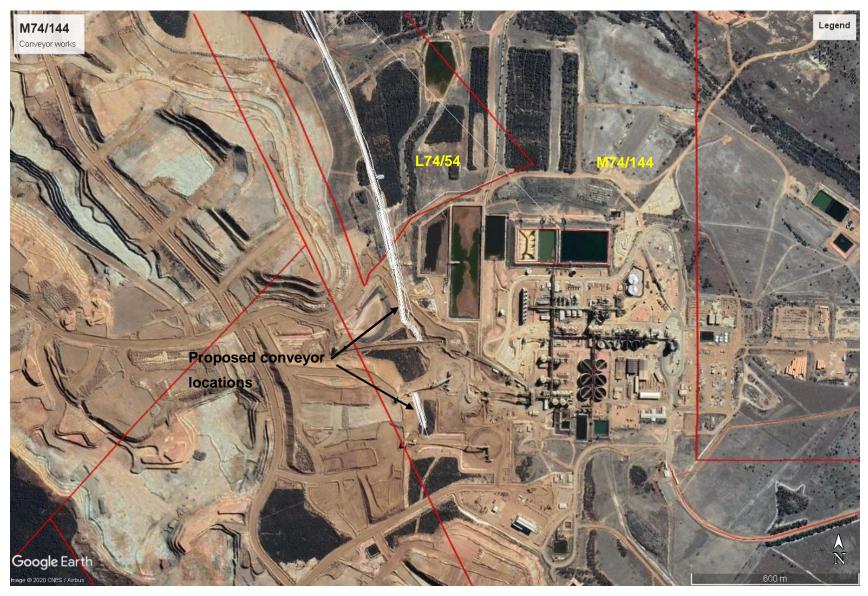


Figure 1: RNO plant area within M74/144 (proposed conveyor location in white)

#### 3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 30 June 2020. No comments to the draft was received by DWER.

### 4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements. The works approval will be amended to include the additional mining tenement in the Premises description.

#### 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 works approval as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments

| Condition no. | Proposed amendments  |
|---------------|--|
| Cover page    | Inclusion of M74/144 into "Legal description" section of "Premises". |