



## Application for Works Approval Amendment

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

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<b>Works Approval Number</b>	W6751/2022/1
<b>Works Approval Holder</b>	Anax Metals Limited
<b>ACN</b>	106 304 787
<b>Internal Number</b>	INS-0002617
<b>Premises</b>	Whim Creek Copper Project  Legal description – Mining Leases M47/236, M47/237, M47/238, M47/443 North Coastal Highway WHIM CREEK WA 6718  As defined by the premises map(s) attached to the Works Approval
<b>Date of Report</b>	04/05/2026 ( <b>FINAL</b> )
<b>Choose an item.</b>	Revised works approval granted

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## 1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6751/2022/1. The amendments 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 <https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents>.

### 2.2 Application summary

Works Approval W6751/2022/1 is held by Anax Metals Limited (Works Approval Holder) for the Whim Creek Copper Project (the Premises), located at Northwest Coastal Highway, Whim Creek WA 6718.

The Premises relates to the category 5 and the assessed production capacity under Schedule 1 of the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6751.

On 27 January 2026, Anax Metals Limited submitted an application to the Department to amend Works Approval W6751/2022/1 under section 59B of the EP Act. The amendment is limited only to extending the expiry date from 25 May 2026 to 25 May 2029. Construction of the process plant and Tailings Storage Facility, including TSF Cell 2 and TSF Cell 3, have not yet commenced hence a duration extension has been sought.

The applicant should note that works approval durations are nominally granted for a period of 2-5 years and extensions are only considered on a case-by-case basis. Further extensions beyond 2031 will not be supported due to the extended nature of the current approval.

## 3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 1 April 2026. On 28 April 2026 the Works Approval Holder waived the remaining comment period (no other comments were provided).

## 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

### 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
Duration	Extended from 25/05/2026 to 25/05/2029

## References

1. Anax Metals Limited 4 March 2026, Application form: Works approval amendment, Whim Creek Copper Project, West Perth, Western Australia.
2. Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2015, *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions*, Perth, Western Australia
3. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, *Guideline: Environmental Siting*, Perth, Western Australia.
4. DWER 2020, *Guideline: Risk Assessments*, Perth, Western Australia